

# Winter School 2016-17

## Qualitative Methods for Health Research in Asia

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Public health and health systems research in Asia faces multiple challenges. The plurality of the health systems, the top down planning of the health programmes and the lack of representation of people's voices are a few examples of the challenges. For effective public health, there is a growing need to go beyond numbers to examine the lived experiences of people. This entails educating health researchers and professionals in the use of qualitative research methods which will equip them with skills to better understand

people's problems and find solutions in a participative manner.

As part of the collaboration with the University of Groningen, The Netherlands, PHESA will be conducting a workshop on "Qualitative Methods for Health Research in Asia" at Manipal University. The workshop will be conducted by Dr. Ajay Bailey from the Faculty of Spatial Sciences, The University of Groningen.