



# Interdisciplinary Study Groups in the City of Aarhus

## Description

In 2012 the Department of Health and Care (DCH), municipality of Aarhus, endorsed a strategy for development of the educational sector: "Education in the Department of Health and Care – investment in the future."

One of the set objectives was a two year study of interdisciplinary study groups at two locations in DCH involving nursing, physiotherapy and occupational therapy students while in clinical placement.

## The objectives

- Creating a dynamical, interdisciplinary learning environment where knowledge is shared and a new form of supervision is developed.
- Increasing the student interest in DCH as a future workspace.
- Retaining professional clinical supervisors.

## The method

A project based on action learning involving methodical evaluation as a constant element reflected in qualitative and quantitative evaluation.

## The results

The results of the study show that an interdisciplinary organization of study groups improves the quality of the education and increases the student motivation. A continuous leadership support is pointed out as a significant element for successful results.