

# **HEALTH GOODS AND HEALTH CHANCES**

## **Democracy and Justice in Health Policy**

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The distribution of health goods and services is one of the most explosive societal conflicts given the medical technological advance on the one hand and the fear of economic contraction on the other hand. There is no doubt that 'health' is a special good which requires equal accessibility and fair endowment of everybody with chances. Likewise it is obvious that not all needs and requirements can be fulfilled, the more so as not every treatment improves necessarily the state of health. So the reduction of socio-economic inequality contributes potentially more to a fair distribution of health chances than the expansion of benefits. Therewith normative foundations of a society regarding distributive justice are affected: How much of the national income should be spent for health provision, and what kind of distribution of this share is a fair one? Regarding the different and partly opposing perceptions of distributive justice the question of democratic decision-making subsequently arises. Who shall decide? Where are prospects and limits of democratic decision-making? Against this background we have invited scientists of different disciplines in order to discuss the tension of justice and democracy in light of distribution of health goods and health chances.

## **Program**

- 09:00 – 09:30      *Claudia Landwehr (University Frankfurt)*  
Introduction
- 09:30 – 10:30      *Stefan Huster (University Bremen)*  
Juridical and Ethical Problems of Cost-Benefit-Analyses in the  
Statutory Health Insurance
- 10:30 – 11:00      Coffee break
- 11:00 – 12:00      *Jeanine Staber (University Bremen)*  
Efficiency and Health Chances. Welfare Economics and the Allocation  
of Health Goods
- 12:00 – 13:00      *Hartmut Kliemt (Frankfurt School of Finance and Management)*  
Health Care – a Problem of Political rather than Medical Distributive  
Ethics
- 13:00 – 14:00      Lunch break
- 14:00 – 15:00      *Weyma Lübbe (University Regensburg)*  
The Background of the IQWiG Controversy– and the Teachings of It
- 15:00 – 16:00      *Thomas Gerlinger (University Frankfurt)*  
Quality Management in Health Care. An International Comparison of  
the Emergence of a New Field of Governance
- 16:00 – 16:30      Coffee break
- 16:30 – 17:30      *Claudia Landwehr & Katharina Böhm (University Frankfurt)*  
Processes of Decision-Making and Distributive Effects. The Allocation  
of Health Benefits in OECD Countries