



The Association of Directors of Public Health

ADPH supports call for more investment in public health

ADPH has welcomed a new briefing paper by The Health Foundation which calculates that an additional £3.2 billion a year of public health funding for local authorities is needed.

ADPH Chief Executive, Nicola Close, said:

“The Health Foundation has laid bare the scale of cuts in funding for essential public health services such as obesity programmes, drug and alcohol treatment and sexual health.

“Directors of Public Health have been relentlessly focussed on effectively managing the cuts, in the context of increasing demand, whilst also modernising services.

“However, it is now clear that without £3.2 billion of investment for public health reductions in services are inevitable and the potential of prevention, including to tackle the social determinants of ill health, cannot be realised.”

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Further information

The Association of Directors of Public Health (ADPH) is the representative body for Directors of Public Health (DPH) in the UK. It seeks to improve and protect the health of the population through collating and presenting the views of DsPH; advising on public health policy and legislation at a local, regional, national and international level; facilitating a support network for DsPH; and providing opportunities for DsPH to develop professional practice.

The Association has a rich heritage, its origins dating back 160 years. It is a collaborative organisation working in partnership with others to maximize the voice for public health.

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