



The aim of the Snapshot is to provide a monthly Sector-Led Improvement (SLI) update to DsPH and their public health teams. The Snapshot is produced and managed by [Aimee Stimpson](#) and [Jodie Horton](#). If you have something that you would like included for the next issue, please get in touch.

1. SLI DPH Leads- A Thankyou and Welcome

Our South Gloucestershire Director of Public Health Sara Blackmore will be leaving South Gloucestershire Council in early September to take up a new role in the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Sara for all her great work leading the SLI workstream across the SW region and wish her the best of luck in her new role. Following Sara's farewell, we would like to introduce Kate Blackburn, Director of Public Health Wiltshire, as our new SLI lead and Rachel Wigglesworth as SLI deputy. We look forward to jointly working together as part of the SW SLI team.

2. SLI 22-24 Action Plan- Key Objective Progress

The SW ADPH Network and SW SLI Team have been reviewing the approach to SLI as a core part of the routine SW ADPH Meetings. A forward plan for the 22-24 action plan has been agreed which provides opportunity for all SLI key objective DPH leads to present updates on their work to the SW ADPH group. This provides assurance and oversight to all SW DsPH on the ongoing SLI workstreams and creates more opportunities for shared learning and increased traction of collaborative regional programmes. As a result of this, the SLI snapshot will now periodically provide 'snapshot' updates on the DPH led SLI priorities to reflect this improved approach.

Key objective	Summary of activity
CVD Risk Reduction	Steve Brown has taken on the lead DPH role for this key objective and a quarterly meeting has been scheduled to begin defining the key outputs to lead the direction of the SLI work.
Public Mental Health: a. Suicide Prevention b. Self-harm reduction	A questionnaire was circulated to all DsPH to benchmark the progress from the quality improvement activity on suicide prevention plans. Out of 13 LA's 6 have updated and reviewed their SP plan, 7 are work in progress. To date 7 LA's have engaged with their peer buddy as part of reviewing the action plan. A roll out of real time surveillance systems has been achieved with 100% of LA's reporting being engaged with their RTS and 12 out of 13 LA's RTS being reported as currently active.
Best Start in Life: a. Levelling up b. PH Nursing c. Smoke Free Homes	(a) Levelling up, led by Rachel Wigglesworth, to hold a facilitated session in Qtr 4 to explore SLI work on the shared learning on development and implementation of Start Well (family hub) approach in SW, and across England to improve first 1001 days system working. (b) agreement this will commence at a later date (c) Benchmarking of current Health Visitor (HV) service delivery was carried out via an online survey for HV's to complete. This also included sharing of best practice to help shape a quality pathway for the SW. The results of this benchmark highlighted four key themes to be progressed within task and finish groups. This progress was updated to DsPH in July and was well received; a further update will be presented in late Quarter 3 in line with project plan.
Health Protection: a. Vaccine engagement	Ruth Harrell is the lead DPH for the Vaccine Engagement Programme (VEP) and Christina Gray the deputy. The VEP aims to build on the success of our COVID-19 vaccine uptake to improve reach and uptake in our routine childhood immunisation programmes. Locality immunisations groups are being re-established for each ICS in the South West region. Data packs for each ICS locality have also been provided, including practice-level intelligence. The South West Measles and Rubella Elimination Strategy has been refreshed and used to inform local plans and local action plans (at UTLA) are being developed, based on the data packs and local needs. Moreover, to improve reach and uptake in our routine adulthood immunisation programmes, including flu, with specific focus on vulnerable individuals and populations COVID and influenza vaccination plans are being implemented through the local immunisation groups and joint communications plans are in place.

Climate Change: a. Active Travel b. Behaviour Change	Discussions are taking place regarding outlining the climate change work programme. Matt Lenny has taken on the lead DPH role for behaviour change SW network and a quarterly meeting has been scheduled to begin defining the key outputs to lead the direction of the SLI work for the next 18 months.
Sexual Health: a. PrEP	Steve Maddern is the lead DPH role for sexual health and a quarterly meeting has been scheduled to begin defining the key outputs to lead the direction of the SLI work. The work will include regional completion of the Sexual Health self-assessment: EHSHCG self-assessment tool for local HIV, reproductive health and sexual health service provision
Regional Health Inequalities Workstream	Lincoln Sargeant is the lead DPH for inequalities on behalf of the SW ADPH. DsPH have completed a peer-to-peer inequalities positioning template for DsPH to populate to identify themes, gaps, and best practice which can be shared on how we are each working with ICS, on the Inclusive and sustainable economies (ISE) agenda and how we are linking to the levelling up agenda. Lincoln gave an update to the SW ADPH meeting providing information on ADPH SW support and strategic input into the Southwest Health Inequalities Network. Furthermore, Dr Ishani Kar-Purkayastha & Dr Rachael Marsh from OHID provided and update to SW DsPH on ISE framework, progress on wider determinants prioritisation & data resource development, mapping of ISE frameworks against anchor institutions framework and an update on good employment action plan.
Healthcare Public Health	Siobhan Farmer, DPH Gloucestershire, has taken on the lead DPH role for this area and a quarterly meeting has been scheduled to begin defining the key outputs to lead the direction of the SLI work which will include continuation of the SW ICS Community of Practice.
Workforce Development	In July we held our second SW SLI Skills CPD event in conjunction with the LGA. The event involved presentation from Jonathan McShane & Caitlin Corley of the refreshed PH Risk Tool Self-Assessment, with reasoning behind the refresh including: LGA, ADPH and Solace – proposed national framework for assurance and improvement. Examples of the PH Risk Tool Self-Assessment use in practice were presented including Blackburn with Darwen’s good practice. Break out rooms proposed the question of how the South West could use and implement the tool. The second half of the event was presented by Katerina Charalambous and focussed on the Learning Exchange platform with demonstration of how to use it in practice including example posts and shared learning on the platform.

3. 175 Year Celebration of Directors of Public Health #DPH175

The 175-year celebration of DsPH project is now well underway, please see below the most recent updates and opportunities for engagement: ADPH have started a regular ‘175 Wednesday’ slot on Twitter to highlight interesting stories about the DPH role. If you have anything you would like us to feature, please contact [Heather](#).

ADPH are busy finalising the details for their special awards ceremony that is due to take place in the evening of the Annual Conference and will share some social media assets when the award categories are announced.

As part of the celebration, a [member survey](#) has been sent out to all DsPH to understand more about their role and to use the feedback to encourage the next generation of DsPH.

ADPH will also be creating a DPH175 collage to feature as part of the awards ceremony compiled of photographs of DsPH. The ADPH encourage DsPH to send images of themselves (portrait style) to membership@adph.org.uk if they would like to be included in the collage.

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