



Association of Directors of Public Health (UK)

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Speaker Profiles

Janet Atherton

President
Association of Directors of Public Health

Janet has been a local Director of Public Health since 1998, first in Wirral and then Sefton in Merseyside. She has also been Acting Chief Executive for NHS Sefton for nine months prior to the establishment of the NHS Merseyside Cluster when she returned to her public health role. Janet trained in medicine and public health in the North East before making the move to the North West in 1994.

She has been actively involved in the work of the Association of Directors of Public Health since 2006, and was Treasurer from 2007 to 2010. Janet was recently elected as President of the Association of Directors of Public Health and will take up office following the 2012 AGM.

Her commitment to tackling Health Inequalities was recognised in a NHS North West Leadership Academy Award in 2008. She has a long standing special interest in tobacco control and was responsible for setting up the successful Smokefree North West programme (now Tobacco Free Futures).

(In her spare time she enjoys spending time with family and friends and being active: hillwalking, running, zumba and bootcamps.)

Chris Bull

Chief Executive
Herefordshire Public Services

Chris Bull was the first chief executive in the country to be appointed to lead both a local authority and a primary care trust through single shared management arrangements.

Since appointment at the end of 2007 Chris has led the development of integrated arrangements within Herefordshire including, for example, the establishment of 'Hoople' – a joint venture company providing support services to a range of public service organisations; and Wye Valley NHS Trust – an integrated care organisation encompassing acute and primary health and adult social care provision. Herefordshire is a pathfinder for clinically led commissioning arrangements, and an early adopter of Health & Wellbeing Boards. All of these developments in integration are underpinned by a shared, single vision for driving improvements in the commissioning and delivery of several hundred individual services for the people of Herefordshire.

More broadly within the county, Chris chairs the executive group of Herefordshire Partnership - the local strategic partnership including representatives from key organisations across the public, private and voluntary sector; he is also a Board Member of both Hereford Futures – a company formed to facilitate the regeneration of Hereford city and Visit Hereford, the private sector-led tourism organisation.

Chris is also active in working around the public health and wider health reforms chairing the national Public Health Engagement Group and being a member of various national groups on behalf of local government. In his previous role Chris was a member of the London Health Commission.

Before moving to Herefordshire, Chris was deputy chief executive of the London Borough of Southwark and prior to that, joint chief executive of Southwark Primary Care Trust and strategic director of social services with Southwark Borough Council, having a background in social care.

Paul Darragh

Consultant in Public Health
Public Health Agency, Northern Ireland

Dr Paul Darragh is the longest serving Public Health Doctor in N. Ireland - taking advantage of the abolition of "Default Retirement Age". After a few years in General Practice, Paul spent his first 20 years in Academic Public Health teaching to undergraduates and post graduates as a joint appointment with 50% of his time in service work. Paul is now working as a Public Health support to Local Commissioning Team, Regional Commissioning Public Health input to Older People, Physical and Sensory disabilities. He is also Public Health Lead for SAI's/Complaints/Medico-Legal cases and Prison Health Care.

Huw Francis

Former Medical Officer of Health

Dr Huw Francis has extensive knowledge of the origins and development of the MOH post and the reorganisation of the NHS and local government in 1974.

Huw's career has included posts as Deputy County Medical Officer of the West Riding of Yorkshire and in 1974 he was appointed as Area Medical Officer for Camden and subsequently Dean of the Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene in London.

Diana GriceVice President
Association of Directors of Public Health

Diana qualified as a doctor at Kings College Hospital and continued her medical training in London and Oxford teaching hospitals before specialising in public health medicine. She trained on the Oxford Regional public health scheme and was appointed as a consultant between Milton Keynes District and the Oxford Region, before undertaking roles as the Director of Public Health in High Wycombe, Berkshire and Surrey and Sussex Strategic Health Authority.

She was appointed as the Public Health & Well-being and Medical Director for East Sussex Downs and Weald and Hastings and Rother primary care trusts and East Sussex County Council in November 2006. Her areas of special interest are tackling health inequalities, improving health services quality and health protection. She is also interested in developing mental health services in primary care and deprived communities.

Diana has been interim ADPH Vice President since January 2012 and was recently appointed as Vice President for 2012-2015.

Tony JewellChief Medical Officer
Wales

Dr Tony Jewell took up the post of CMO Wales in April 2006. Prior to this he was Clinical Director and Director of Public Health for Norfolk, Suffolk and Cambridgeshire Strategic Health Authority.

Dr Jewell trained as a GP and worked in East London for 10 years. He then trained in public health medicine in East Anglia becoming a Director of Public Health in Peterborough and Cambridgeshire before being appointed to the Strategic Health Authority. His professional interests include primary care, preventing accidents and injuries and reducing health inequalities.

Tony was appointed as an Honorary member of ADPH in 2011.

John MiddletonDirector of Public Health
Sandwell

John Middleton has been Director of Public Health for Sandwell for 23 years and in public health for nearly 30 years. He is also Vice President of the Faculty of Public Health.

His principal interests are sustainable development security and crime reduction and regeneration and partnerships.

In another life he is a blues harmonica player and has produced four albums. www.drharp.co.uk

George PollockHonorary Senior Research Fellow
Department of Public Health and Epidemiology
University of Birmingham

Qualified MB ChB (Aberdeen) 1953; DPH (Aberdeen) 1957; FFPHM 1981; MD (Birmingham) 1999. In his early career George also worked in Germany and Kenya, and his public health career included posts in London, Surrey, Stockport and as MOH and then DPH of Coventry.

Since then George has been involved in academic and consultancy work in the UK and abroad (France, USA, Quebec, Malta, Poland, Uganda), also acting from time to time as an external consultant adviser to the European Commission on communicable disease control arrangements.

George is currently Honorary senior research fellow, Department of Public Health and Epidemiology, University of Birmingham; Honorary consultant in public health medicine, Sandwell PCT; Chairman, Education and Training Committee, Birmingham Medical Institute.

Duncan SelbieChief Executive Designate
Public Health England

Duncan Selbie joined Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals as Chief Executive in July 2007. He has worked in the NHS for 32 years. Until December 2001 he was Chief Executive of the South West London and St George's Mental Health NHS Trust before becoming Chief Executive of the South East London Strategic Health Authority. Prior to joining Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals he worked at the Department of Health for four years as the Director General for Performance and Planning and subsequently Commissioning.

A Chief Executive since 1994, David has extensive experience in change management and cultural transformation across the public sector. He sits on a number of Department of Health advisory groups under the current NHS reform programme.

Since Autumn 2006 he has been Chief Executive of Norfolk County Council serving a population of 860,000, and prior to this was Chief Executive of Thurrock Unitary Council.

His earlier background was as an NHS Chief Executive and from 1994 to 2002 he led the former Suffolk Health Authority. A social worker by background in the late 1980s through to 1994 he was Director of Social Services at Nottinghamshire County Council, responsible for commissioning and providing child care and adult services to a population of one million.
