The Association of Directors of Public Health



Election of new ADPH President

Dr Jeanelle de Gruchy elected as next ADPH President.

We are delighted to announce that Dr Jeanelle de Gruchy has been elected by Directors of Public Health as the next President of the Association of Directors of Public Health (ADPH). Jeanelle will take on the Presidency for a three year period beginning at the ADPH Annual General Meeting on the 18th May 2018.

Jeanelle is the Director of Public Health for Haringey Council and has served as ADPH Vice President since 2013. Having trained and worked as a doctor in South Africa and the UK, Jeanelle specialised in public health in the UK. She was Deputy Director of Public Health in Nottingham before becoming Director of Public Health for Haringey in 2010. With a longstanding history of advocating for public health, Jeanelle has provided leadership on challenging and longstanding issues such as health inequalities and mental health.

Dr Jeanelle de Gruchy said:

"I am delighted to have been elected into this role by my peers. Directors of Public Health play a vital role as system leaders and advocates for the improvement and protection of the health and wellbeing of our local populations. As President of the ADPH, I will do my utmost to mobilise our collective skills and dynamism to support local public health to meet the challenges ahead – and to ensure that our unique local perspective influences national policy discussions."

Outgoing President, Dr Andrew Furber, said:

"I am delighted that ADPH members have voted for Jeanelle de Gruchy to succeed me as President. Jeanelle has provided exceptional service as Vice President over the last five years, including stepping in as Acting President. I would like to thank all those who stood in the election for their commitment to ADPH. I am certain that the organisation will now move onto a new and exciting phase in its mission to advocate for and support Directors of Public Health throughout the UK."

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Further information

The <u>Association of Directors of Public Health</u> (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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