



# e-DPH

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### ADPH Activity

#### ADPH New Website Now Live!

We are pleased to announce that our new-look [website](#) is now live! Over the next few weeks, we will be fixing bugs and ironing out other teething problems so please bear with us if something doesn't look quite right. We hope that you find the new site easier to navigate - it features our recently refreshed logo, a new searchable resources section, a link to the weekly consultation scan, regular news stories, an interactive map with links to the regional networks, photos, images and much more!

#### LGA/ADPH/FPH | Annual Public Health Conference | 21 March-23 March

This [LGA's Annual Public Health Conference](#) is being run by the LGA in partnership with the ADPH and the Faculty of Public Health (FPH). The event will be hosted virtually, over 3 days in March. Leading speakers will be touching on the very latest thinking in national public health policy issues, as well as gaining insights from those delivering on the ground. It will again provide a much-needed opportunity for the public health community to come together, share learning, take stock and plan for the future. [Registration is now open](#) and can be completed on their website.

#### ADPH Cycling | April/May 2023

ADPH Cycling is running a public health cycle ride in Scotland, with the aim of bringing together those who work in public health whilst promoting the benefits of cycling. The ride will go the length of NHS Highland from John O'Groats to the Mull of Kintyre and is aimed at recreational cyclists. Distances will vary around 50-80 miles each day and riders can join for several days, one day or part of a day. If you are interested in taking part, please contact [Tim Allison](#) (NHS Highland DPH).

### Practice Improvement

#### ADPH Commissioners' Group Update | ESUCG Annual Reports 2021/2022 | ESHSCG Social Media Channel

The [English Substance Use Commissioners' Group \(ESUCG\)](#) hosted by ADPH, has published their [annual report](#) covering 2020/2021, providing a picture of group's engagement, impact and reach. The report covers the work of the group, including its membership activities, policy and strategic work, events and sector-led improvement projects led by working sub-groups.

The [English HIV and Sexual Health Commissioners' Group \(ESHSCG\)](#) published their [annual report](#) last year. You can follow ESHSCG on [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#). If you want to know more about the Commissioners' groups, please contact [commissioners@adph.org.uk](mailto:commissioners@adph.org.uk).

### ADPH in the News

Over the Christmas period, Prof. Jim McManus, ADPH President, took part in '[Jamie Oliver's takeover](#)' on BBC Radio 4's Today programme. In the programme, Jim spoke to BiteBack 2030's National Youth Board Chair, Luke Hall, about how and why food policy needs to change. Jim returned to the [Today programme](#)

later in the week to discuss the effectiveness of wearing masks and other ways to limit the spread of respiratory infections. The new year brought with it a new [Presidential blog](#), in which Jim detailed his predictions for 2023, and the challenges and opportunities DsPH may face in the coming year. He also featured in an episode of the [Training in Public Health podcast](#), where he spoke about leadership skills in public and reflected on ADPH's 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary. In the last week, ADPH have issued a [press release](#) to mark the bicentennial of Edward Jenner's death, the pioneer of vaccine development. Chief Medical Officer, Chris Whitty, and Gloucestershire DPH, Siobhan Farmer, attended a celebratory event at Gloucester Cathedral in which the CMO gave a talk on the impact of vaccines on global health. We also issued statements in response to the Government's announcement on their intention to develop a new [Major Conditions Strategy](#) and that the [Health Disparities White Paper](#) will no longer be published.

## Opportunities for Involvement

### **NICE | Recruiting PH members for the technical appraisals committee | Deadline 7 February**

NICE are recruiting members to join the [technology appraisals committee](#). They are looking for the following specific committee members: clinical pharmacologist/pharmaceutical physician, device industry representative, GP, health economist, NHS consultant, nurse, psychiatrist, public health specialist, statistician. The time commitment is three years initially, and the deadline is 17:00 – 07 February. [Apply now](#).

### **The Governance, Ethics & Conflicts of Interest Public Health Network | The Public Health Playbook: Ideas for Challenging the Corporate Playbook | 20 February**

Guest speakers Jennifer Lacy-Nichols and Eric Crosbie will present a proposed Public Health Playbook of ideas and strategies for how the 'Corporate Playbook' can be anticipated, countered and prevented. They will deep dive into two strategies concerning conflicts of interest and monitoring and exposing corporate tactics. [Registration](#) is now open.

### **The Health Foundation | Webinar Invitation: Building resilience - making the economic case for prevention | 23 February**

The Health Foundation are hosting a webinar on making the economic case for prevention. This webinar will demonstrate why we have to prioritise prevention in policymaking and outline the future consequences of not acting now. The session is being chaired by Jo Bibby, and speakers include Jonathan Ashworth MP, Shabna Begum, Zoë Billingham, David Finch. [Find out more and register for free](#).

### **BMA | Public health medicine conference 2023: Tackling Twenty-First Century Poverty | 22 March**

The British Medical Association is hosting a [conference](#) to discuss the key issues of poverty and how they impacts public health alongside ideas on how public health professionals can respond effectively and the experiences of colleagues across the UK. This provides an opportunity for public health doctors and professionals from across the UK to meet and discuss key issues related to poverty in the UK in the twenty-first century. The [agenda](#) has been published online, and [registration](#) is now open. You can attend this event online or in person.

## Resources

### **UKHSA | Changes to the way we report on Covid-19 deaths | 27 January**

UKHSA are changing the way they present Covid-19 death statistics. “Deaths with Covid-19 on the death registration” will replace “deaths within 28 days of a positive test” as the primary reported Covid-19 death statistic. This [blog](#) explains the changes are being made and how they present data on Covid-19 deaths.

### **Matter of Focus | How do you know if you are making a difference? A practical handbook for public service organisations | 18 January**

Co-directors of Matter of Focus Sarah Morton & Ailsa Cook have written a handbook for public service organisations that sets out practical approaches to understanding and monitoring change that any organisation can utilise to maximise their social impact and overall efficiency. This book has been recommended by colleagues at the NIHR. This book has been [launched](#) virtually and can be bought on [amazon](#).

### **DHSC | Secretary of State announces new £250 million budget to speed up hospital discharge in House of Commons | 9 January**

The DHSC has [announced](#) up to £250 million will be spent to help speed up hospital discharge, along with the announcement of six national Discharge Frontrunners, who will be leading the way in exploring new long-term initiatives to free up hospital beds. These frontrunners are Sussex Health and Care ICS, The Northern Care Alliance, Humber and North Yorkshire ICS, One Croydon Alliance, Leeds Health and Care Partnership, Warwickshire Place. Read the [oral statement given to parliament](#) by the Secretary of State.

### **UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) | Enhanced genome sequencing for hospitalised patients with returning from China | 3 January**

The UKHSA cascaded guidance to NHS healthcare professionals, with a request to identify any Covid-19 hospitalised cases who have arrived from China in the preceding 14 days for expedited sequencing. This is a precautionary measure which will allow UKHSA to undertake enhanced surveillance of Covid-19 variants from individuals in hospital who have recently travelled to China.

### **CMO & DHSC Healthy Places Policy Team | January**

The DHSC Healthy Places Policy Team and CMO would like to share this new e-learning module from Public Health England titled [‘Helping People Living in Cold Homes’](#). This has been developed to empower professionals to direct people in cold homes to appropriate services that can provide support.

### **DHSC | Call for Flu Vaccinations | January**

In light of high hospitalisation rates for flu patients, with last week seeing over 5000 people in hospital with flu every day, the DHSC are asking stakeholders to amplify communications emphasising the importance of flu vaccination to the public, patients and staff during this crucial period. [Campaign resources](#) have been created to help with this effort, alongside [twitter](#) content, including a [video from Deputy Chief Medical Officer Thomas Waite](#) launched today.