

# e-DPH March, Issue 108

# **ADPH Activity**

#### Public Accounts Committee Inquiry on Alcohol Treatment Services | 02 March

ADPH Board Member and Policy Lead for Addiction, Alice Wiseman (DPH, Gateshead) gave evidence to the <u>Public Accounts Committee</u> Inquiry on <u>Alcohol Treatment Services</u>. The meeting was an opportunity to highlight the key measures needed to protect the wider population from alcohol harm, including minimum unit pricing, alcohol duty and restrictions on marketing. We will continue to engage in key policy events like Select Committee Meetings, as they are an important way of promoting our members' views.

#### ADPH/LGA Annual Public Health Report | 21 March

Read this year's <u>Annual Public Health Report</u> published jointly with the <u>LGA</u>, which reflects on the past year and focuses on how councils have responded to the rising cost of living.

#### ADPH Consultation and Parliamentary Scans | March

Our monthly <u>Parliamentary scan</u>, which includes Parliamentary activity from governments across the UK, is published on our <u>website</u> at the start of each month. We also publish a weekly <u>consultation scan</u> which includes open consultations from Government and non-government agencies.

## Practice Improvement

#### ADPH SLI Impact Report 2023 | Summary and key messages

Last year, we commissioned <u>Shared Intelligence</u> to review the delivery and impact of Sector-led Improvement (SLI). The report explored the breadth of activity, capturing changes that have happened since the start of the pandemic and reflecting on what is working well, as well as key barriers and recommendations for the future. A <u>summary</u> of the report has now been published.

## ADPH in the News

This month, we led a <u>call by over 30 organisations</u> for Government to urgently publish the Public Health Grant allocations, which was covered by the <u>Local Government Chronicle</u>. Following the publication of the <u>PH Grant</u>, we issued a <u>response</u> explaining why the news was "far too little, far too late." We have also been running an 'A-Z of what the PH Grant pays for' campaign on our <u>Twitter</u> and <u>LinkedIn</u> accounts. To coincide with the <u>LGA/ADPH/FPH</u> conference and <u>Annual PH Report</u>, a <u>press release</u> was issued about why the cost of living crisis is a second health emergency, after Covid-19. The story was covered by <u>BBC's</u> <u>Morning Live</u>, <u>The MJ</u>, <u>The Mail</u>, <u>The Times</u>, BBC Three Counties Radio, and various regional newspapers (some articles sit behind a paywall). Elsewhere, Greg Fell, our Vice President guests on the latest episode of the <u>Money Power Health podcast</u>, talking about the role of a DPH, what ADPH does nationally and much more.

# **Opportunities for Involvement**

#### The Lancet | Webinar: People, profits, and health | 28 March (13:00)

You can now <u>register</u> for the global launch of *The Lancet Series* webinar series. Richard Horton, Editor-in-Chief, and Selina Namchee Lo, Consulting Editor, along with a panel of authors and civil society and business leads, will be discussing the private sector's impact on global health and health equity.

#### International Public Policy Observatory | Mpox research project | 28 March (12:00-13:00)

This <u>event</u> will launch the <u>IPPO Mpox Project's</u> report: Knowing and Evidencing Mpox: A Rapid Policy-Focused Study of Community Organising, Communication, and Vaccine Engagements. The project explored community organising and information sharing among men who have sex with men (MSM) in relation to Mpox, including the influence of social media and underserved communities.

#### Digital Health Ecosystem Wales/National Data Resource | Big Data event | 29 March

<u>Digital Health Ecosystem Wales</u> and the <u>National Data Resource</u> (NDR) are hosting an in-person <u>Big Data</u> event at the Principality Stadium, Cardiff. The event will share ways in which data can help individuals, teams, and organisations to deliver operational improvements and overcome challenges. It will also aim to help those responsible for Big Data in using it more effectively.

#### University College London | Right to Care: Final report launch | 04 April (11:00)

This final report and update meeting on the Right to Care study, which aims to improve GP registration and primary care access for inclusion health populations in England, can be joined via this <u>MS Teams link</u>.

#### DHSC | New and Emerging Respiratory Virus Threats Advisory Group (NERVTAG) | 04 April

The <u>DHSC</u> is <u>recruiting</u> two new Public Health based committee members for NERVTAG. The successful postholder will work as part of a group(s) to agree independent advice, often in areas of scientific ambiguity, with limited data.

#### The King's Fund | Health inequalities – from evidence to action virtual conference | 25 – 26 April

This <u>virtual conference</u> will bring together individuals and teams to explore opportunities across health and care to tackle health inequalities. There will be discussions on the need for universal action at a population health level and targeted action to address issues affecting people facing the worst health outcomes, showing how these two approaches interlink, plus opportunities to learn from local and international leaders about how they are overcoming the challenges of turning evidence into action.

#### Chartered Institute of Environmental Health | Air quality conference | 28 April (09:15-13:40)

This <u>conference</u> will explore the issues surrounding both outdoor and indoor air quality, targets in the Environmental Act and legislative updates, with a focus on the issues of damp and mould. Professor Sir Chris Whitty, Chief Medical Officer for England, will discuss the role of environmental health in addressing the challenges of air pollution.

#### SPECTRUM | Alcohol evidence in policy and practice | 09 – 11 May

Attendees to this <u>workshop</u> will have the chance to network and hear the latest evidence from academics and practitioners. Places are allocated on a first come, first served basis.

#### Fairhealth | Free student healthcare module for supporting people experiencing homelessness

A free-to-attend <u>online course</u> providing an understanding of the causes of homelessness and the health inequalities associated with it, in addition to related housing and legislation issues.

## Resources

#### NHS Health Education England | Public health specialist capacity review results | 22 March

This <u>report</u> outlines the findings from the fifth comprehensive national census to capture the size and composition of the public health specialist workforce in England.

#### Young in COVID: Routes to recovery film | 21 March

Sarah Muckle (DPH, Bradford) has commissioned a group of Young People to do a film about routes to recovery from Covid-19 from the point of view of young people. The <u>film</u> and <u>trailer</u> are now available to watch.

#### DHSC | Campaign Resource Centre Launch | 13 March

<u>DHSC</u> have launched their new look <u>Campaign Resource Centre (CRC)</u> which hosts all the Government's health improvement campaigns and resources.

#### UKHSA | Invasive group A streptococcal disease | 02 March

<u>UKHSA</u> have published updated <u>guidelines</u> for managing close community contacts of cases of invasive group A streptococcal disease.

#### NHS Confed | Tackling poverty and the cost of food: Parliamentary briefing | 01 March

The NHS Confed sent a <u>briefing</u> to MPs ahead of a Westminster Hall debate on tackling poverty and food costs that took place on 01 March 2023.

#### AYPH | Reports on the role of ethnicity on health inequalities | March

<u>The Association for Young People's Health</u> have published two reports exploring the role of ethnicity in shaping health inequalities among young people aged ten to 25. The first shares publicly available data on a range of health outcomes that are broken down by ethnicity while the second shares the views of young people from ethnic minority backgrounds, highlighting their own experiences.

#### **APPHH | Better housing for better health report | March**

This <u>report</u> from the <u>Academic-Practitioner Partnership for Healthier Housing</u> identifies the need for action and lays out measures that can be taken to improve unhealthy housing. The report was completed in the context of Awaab Ishak's death from 'prolonged exposure to mould'.

#### Department of Health and Social Care | Make Things Right Landlord Partner Toolkit | March

The <u>DHSC</u> have released a <u>toolkit</u> as part of their '<u>Make Things Right</u>' campaign, targeted at social housing residents in England so they know how to complain if they are unhappy with a service provided by their landlord, including health and safety issues.

#### TRUUD | Valuing the Health of Urban Developments Tool | March

Researchers at the <u>University of Bristol</u> and the <u>University of Bath</u> have developed a <u>tool</u> which evaluates a range of factors including how buildings, transport, natural environment, socio-economics and community infrastructure in new developments might improve or worsen health for its future residents.