



## e-DPH

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## ADPH Activity

### Annual Report Celebration | Shortlist announced at Annual Workshop and AGM | 24 May

At last month's ADPH Annual workshop and AGM, our Chief Executive, Nicola, announced the [shortlist of reports](#) submitted as part of the Annual Report Celebration, in recognition of excellence and innovation. A total of 49 reports were submitted from all over the UK. The topics covered included health inequalities, cost of living, ageing, the influence of the pandemic and more. The four reports which stood out as overall good examples were from Leeds, [Liverpool](#), [North Yorkshire](#) and [Wandsworth](#).

### Congratulations | LGC Awards | 08 June

Congratulations to our Vice President Greg Fell and all the team at Sheffield who won the Public Health award at the [LGC Awards](#). Congratulations too to Justin Varney, DPH Birmingham, who won the award for Outstanding Individual Contribution. A huge well done to everyone who was nominated this year!

### ADPH | Statement to the Covid-19 Public Inquiry | 13 June

Our [opening statement](#) was delivered to the [Covid-19 Inquiry](#) by our Counsel, Steven Ford KC, as part of ADPH's role as a Core Participant in [Module 1](#) (Resilience and Preparedness). In early July our President, Jim McManus, will be giving oral evidence based on the insights and experiences of members, captured via the members survey a few months ago.

## Practice Improvement

### ADPH London | Annual report 2022/23

[ADPH London](#) have published their annual [report](#) which outlines the work progressed in 2022/23 and strategic priorities going forward.

## ADPH in the News

This month we have published three of our newly revised policy position papers, on [drugs](#), [climate change](#) and [living and working well](#). We have also published two articles on the role of public health throughout the history of [tobacco control](#) and [healthy eating policy](#). There has been widespread coverage of our involvement in the [Covid-19 Public Inquiry](#), with articles in a range of national and regional outlets including the [Independent](#), [Mail](#), [LGC](#), [Telegraph](#) and [BBC](#). Greg Fell, our Vice-President, was also interviewed about the pandemic on [Newsnight](#) on Monday (32 minutes in). Elsewhere, we released a [statement](#), in response to the Prime Minister's [announcement](#) on stopping vaping in children, and a [press release](#) in response to the Government announcement on delays to restrictions on multi-buy promotions on junk food. Jim McManus, ADPH President, was quoted in the [Financial Times](#) in [response](#) to the announcement from Government on obesity drugs and our [response](#) to the publication of the [HIV Action Plan](#) also received coverage, including in the [Independent](#), [Mail](#) and [Evening Standard](#). The [LGC](#) covered our [response](#) to the news that the Government will meet the pay increase for NHS employed public health staff, and the [MJ](#) published an article by Prof Jim McManus on why investing in drugs won't tackle obesity. Prof McManus was also quoted in the [Independent Catholic News](#) after speaking at [The Power of](#)

[Peer Support conference](#), held to mark the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the [Catholics for AIDS Prevention and Support](#) (CAPS) charity. Last week, following advice from the JCVI to introduce an RSV immunisation programme, we gave a quote to the [HSJ](#). Meanwhile, this month's [Presidential blog](#) looks back on the achievements of the last financial year.

Please be aware that links may only display the opening lines of articles as some are subject to a paywall.

## Opportunities for Involvement

### **Food Active | The Healthy Weight Declaration – Engaging partners & the wider system | 27 June**

[Register](#) to attend the [webinar](#) to launch [Food Active](#)'s NHS Healthy Weight Declaration and Schools Pledge for a Healthy and Active Future. The event will also focus on new tools available to support place-based/whole systems approach to healthier weight.

### **National Centre for Social Research | Society Watch 2023 | 06 July**

The [National Centre for Social Research](#) (NatCen) is launching its fourth annual Society Watch report. The aim of the [Society Watch series](#) is to provide a snapshot of what life is like for people in Britain today. This year's report focuses on the social impact of the cost-of-living crisis. [Registration](#) is now open for this hybrid event.

### **University of Manchester | International Festival of Public Health | 06-07 July**

[Registration](#) for the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual [International Festival of Public Health](#) is open, to be held in person at the [University of Manchester](#). This year's two main themes are 'The Climate Crisis' and 'The Cost-of-Living Crisis', with keynote speakers including Baroness Natalie Bennett and Tracy Daszkiewicz (DPH Aneurin Bevan University Health Board).

### **NICE | NICE is transforming: An update on our progress and future ambitions | 10 July**

[NICE](#) is hosting a free [virtual event](#) for people to hear how they ensure the guidance they produce is relevant, timely and helps practitioners and commissioners get the best care to people, fast, whilst ensuring value for the taxpayer. Speakers include their Chief Executive Dr Sam Roberts and Dr Jennifer Dixon, Chief Executive of [The Health Foundation](#).

### **The King's Fund | Community-led approaches to health and wellbeing | 18-19 July**

[Tickets](#) are now available for this two day [virtual conference](#) discussing the impact of community-led and person-centred approaches to improving health and wellbeing, particularly following the pandemic. It will be an opportunity to hear from community groups who have worked with their ICS, local health system or local authority to develop a collaborative approach to tackling health inequalities.

### **UKPHR | Innovation in Public Health Awards 2023 | Entry deadline 18 August**

The [UK Public Health Register](#) has opened [six award categories](#) for [entry](#), to recognise and celebrate the important work of public health professionals in the UK. The ceremony will take place during the virtual [Public Health Practitioner Conference](#) on 04 October.

### **The King's Fund | Putting a spotlight on women's health – in-person conference | 19 September**

This [event](#) will bring together those working in the health and care system to find practical solutions to the experiences women have, both in terms of their access to and experience of the health and care system, and disparities in outcomes.

### **NIHR | Public Health Research (PHR) Programme | 26 September**

The [NIHR's PHR Programme](#) is accepting Expressions of Interest from local government for evaluations of interventions by their [Public Health Intervention Responsive Studies Teams](#). The purpose of this call is to identify and prioritise local authority initiatives which have the potential to impact health. In order to apply via the [online REALMS system](#) you will need to review the [specification document](#).

## Resources

### **UKHSA | New alerting system in collaboration with the Met Office | 01 June**

[UKHSA](#) have launched a new [Heat-Health Alerting \(HAA\) service](#) in partnership with the [Met Office](#) following the publication of the [Adverse Weather and Health Plan \(AWHP\)](#). A comms toolkit has also been released supporting the AWHP and the HHA system.

### **BMJ | Promoting health: A plea for participation – a rapid response | 01 June**

Michael C Watson and Dr Karen E Neil, Trustees, Institute of Health Promotion and Education published a [rapid response](#) to an [article](#) by Prof. Scarlett McNally on patient empowerment and retention of doctors being vital for the UK economy.

### **ASH | ICB briefing for Joint Forward Plans | 01 June**

[Action on Smoking and Health](#) (ASH) have developed a [briefing](#) that sets out key outcomes for tackling smoking and delivering on the prevention agenda for inclusion in [ICB Joint Forward Plans](#) (JFP).

### **Turning Point | New FREE resources | 06 June**

[Turning Point](#) have launched a new [training resource](#) that's available for free to anyone who wants to increase their knowledge and understanding of substance use and mental health, or learn how to recognise and support individuals with co-existing or co-occurring conditions.

### **First Steps Nutrition Trust | Policy report on ultra-processed foods | 09 June**

Most commercial baby and toddler foods do not support public health recommendations for feeding in the early years. In the UK there has been no scrutiny of the extent to which food and drink given to infants and young children are processed, or of the health implications. This [report](#) by [First Steps Nutrition Trust](#) seeks to address this knowledge gap, highlighting the shortcomings of current dietary guidelines.

### **The Mindfulness Initiative and Institute of Health Promotion and Education | Briefing paper | 09 June**

Dr Karen E Neil and Dr Michael C Watson, trustees of the [Institute of Health Promotion and Education](#), and Jenny Edwards CBE, Health Policy Lead for [The Mindfulness Initiative](#), have produced a [briefing paper](#) on how mindfulness can help achieve recommendations for public health promotion. The paper also gives policy recommendations aimed at improving accessibility and funding.