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ADPH Activity

New ADPH Vice President | Congratulations Alice Wiseman

Following the appointment of previous ADPH Vice President, Greg Fell, to President, we are delighted to announce our Policy Lead for Addiction and DPH for Gateshead, Alice Wiseman, has been elected as Vice President.

Public Health Specialist Portfolio Network

ADPH has begun providing secretariat support to a network of public health professionals across the UK who are progressing through the portfolio route to UKPHR Specialist qualification (SRbPA). In addition to coordinating virtual monthly meetings, we have created an online hub for members to seek advice and share resources. Please share our email address, portfoliogroup@adph.org.uk, with those who might be interested within your teams.

Summary of the Political Party Conferences 2023

At the end of last month, we produced an explainer document summarising the main points made about health and its wider determinants by the major political parties during this year's party conference season.

Consultation responses

This month, we have submitted and published a response to a number of consultations. Our submissions to the <u>Section 75 arrangements</u> consultation, <u>Health Protection Regulations</u>, <u>Scottish Government Minimum Unit Pricing (MUP)</u> consultation and <u>updating labelling guidance for no and low alcohol alternatives</u> are available to download from our <u>website</u>. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

Government reshuffle

Following the Government reshuffle, we created a short document outlining the most important changes along with key information about those who have been newly appointed. ADPH President, Greg Fell also wrote to the <u>Secretary of State for Health and Social Care</u> and <u>Minister for Primary Care and Public Health</u> to welcome them to their new role.

ADPH Position Statements | Healthy Weight and Alcohol

To mark Sugar Awareness Week and the 35th anniversary of the Road Traffic Act (1988), we published new policy position statements on <u>healthy weight</u> and <u>alcohol</u>.

ADPH in the News

Earlier this month, our support for the stopping the start proposals announced in the King's speech was covered in the <u>Daily Mail</u> and <u>LGC</u> and Alice Wiseman was quoted in <u>The Mirror</u> on why tighter regulation is needed for the sale of nicotine pouches. Meanwhile, last week, Alice Wiseman was quoted in the <u>Times</u> in support of a <u>new report</u>, published by <u>ASH</u>, <u>OHA</u> and <u>AHA</u>, outlining the cost to society of tobacco, alcohol and unhealthy food.

Elsewhere, the New Statesman published an interview with Greg Fell on why the nanny state has given us

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freedom and Greg's first Presidential <u>blog</u> was also published this month. Alice Wiseman wrote a <u>blog</u> for the <u>Institute of Alcohol Studies</u> and <u>Pulse</u> covered our support for the CMO for England's <u>Annual Report</u>. There has also been widespread coverage of <u>our support</u> for the drug and alcohol treatment funding announced by <u>Government</u>, including articles in <u>Healthcare Leader News</u> and <u>Public Sector Executive</u>. Last week, <u>our response</u> to the <u>Autumn Statement</u> was included in the <u>DeHavilland summary</u> and the Guardian published a <u>letter from Greg Fell and Matt Ashton</u> commenting on their series on <u>poor quality housing</u>.

Please note that some articles will be subject to paywall arrangements.

Opportunities for Involvement

NIHR PHIRST | Local Government expression of interest for evaluations | 24th October

<u>NIHR's Public Health Research Programme</u> is accepting <u>expressions of interest</u> from local authorities across the UK to have their interventions evaluated for health impact by the <u>PHIRST</u> team. The deadline to apply is the 6th February, 2024.

ECDC and EACS | HIV knowledge and attitudes in healthcare settings survey | Deadline: 30th November The European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control and the European AIDS Clinical Society have launched a <u>survey</u> aiming to identify ways to reduce negative attitudes and behaviours towards HIV.

The King's Fund | Building your authority: influencing beyond your role | January 2024

<u>Find out more and apply</u> for the first cohort of this <u>programme</u> offered by <u>The King's Fund</u> if you would like to develop your systems leadership skills and approaches to delivering change.

Faculty of Public Health (FPH) | Regional wellbeing champions

<u>FPH</u> is seeking at least 13 regional <u>wellbeing champions</u> to raise awareness, offer support, gather local and national resources, promote best practice, and advise on their wellbeing strategy. Apply by sending a CV with a short expression of interest to <u>workforce@fph.org.uk</u>.

Events that may interest you

UK National Screening Committee | Screening webinars

The <u>UK National Screening Committee</u> hosts occasional online seminars which are free to attend and enable stakeholders to learn from and engage with leading experts working in and around screening. <u>Details of upcoming seminars</u> along with links to register are available on the UK NSC website.

Resources

DHSC and UKHSA | Winter vaccinations campaign | 1st November

<u>DHSC</u> released <u>resource materials</u> to support the launch of a <u>national marketing campaign</u> encouraging uptake of flu and Covid-19 vaccines.

DHSC | Funding for non-NHS organisations for one-off payments | 6th November

<u>DHSC announced</u> that eligible non-NHS organisations such as councils, charities and social enterprises, can apply for Government funding to cover the cost of their one-off payments to staff, as part of the NHS pay award. To apply, organisations will need to show they have been negatively financially impacted by the pay deal. Organisations that have already delivered the one-off payments can apply to be reimbursed.

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UKHSA & University of Bristol | Research and analysis: Bloodborne viruses | 9thNovember

A <u>report</u> published by <u>UKHSA</u> and the <u>University of Bristol</u> has found that the <u>NHS England</u> Emergency optout testing programme for bloodborne viruses has helped to diagnose thousands of people with serious infections.

Public Health Wales | Practical handbook on Adverse Childhood experiences | 9th November

A team of researchers from <u>Public Health Wales</u> have developed a <u>handbook</u> in collaboration with the <u>World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe</u> and <u>Liverpool John Moores University</u> to guide professionals and organisations on how to implement work to prevent Adverse Childhood Experiences.

BMJ Journals | UK soft drinks industry levy impact paper | 14th November

A <u>research paper</u> estimating the impact of the UK soft drinks industry levy on childhood hospital admissions for tooth extractions has been published.

UKHSA | Tool kits | 21st-23rd November

UKHSA released a number of toolkits last week:

- A <u>cold weather communications toolkit</u> in support of the <u>Adverse Weather and Health Plan</u> and the updated Cold-Health Alerting service.
- An updated <u>communications toolkit</u> relating to the <u>national Winter vaccine marketing campaign</u> launched earlier this month.
- A <u>communications toolkit</u> for issuing public health advice during the course of a flood to both public and professional audiences.
- A <u>toolkit</u> for organisations wishing to develop or evaluate a warm space for their population. It includes resources, case studies and best practice.

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