

Tackling Health Inequalities – Improving Health and Well-being
Tuesday 7th December 2010, Central London, 08:55 - 16:05

08:55	Registration and Coffee
09:20	<p>Chair’s Welcome Address Dr Julie Fish, Co-convenor, Social Work and Health Inequalities Network and Reader, Social Work and Health Inequalities, De Montfort University (CONFIRMED)</p>
09:30	<p>Tackling Health Inequalities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Implementing the findings of the Marmot Review ● The challenges to reducing health inequalities ● The key factors behind inequalities – socio-economic disadvantage, poor housing, low educational achievements, unemployment ● Weighting budgets towards the most disadvantaged areas through the health premium. ● Partnership working together to improve the health of residents ● Incentivising GPs to prioritise preventative care ● Encouraging behavioural change <p>Professor Peter Goldblatt, Senior Research Fellow, Health Inequalities Review for England, University College London (CONFIRMED)</p>
09:50	Questions and Answers Session
10:00	<p>Healthcare Professionals – Transforming Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Promoting change in public services ● Improving health outcomes and a reduction in health inequalities through the commissioning process ● Transforming community services – access to GPs and other health services in poorer areas with a high health need ● Encouraging healthy lifestyles ● Ensuring interventions in health reach those most in need ● Increasing provision of preventative services - tackling health inequalities <p>Dr Iona Heath, President, Royal College of GPs (CONFIRMED)</p>
10:20	<p>Tackling Health Inequalities: Underlying Factors and Approaches to Addressing Them - a Case Study From Luton</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● UK perspective – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What do we already know? ○ What should we focus on? ● A case study from Luton – Our approach: ● Developing a partnership wide strategy to address the issue of inequality ● Understand the ‘political’ context as well as the health context

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify where inequality exists within your community • Fully utilising partner organisations' existing relationships with community groups to tackle inequality • Establishing a collaborative approach to working with primary carers <p>Professor Gurch Randhawa, Professor of Diversity in Public Health; Director, Institute for Health Research, University of Bedfordshire and Chair, NHS Luton (CONFIRMED)</p>
10:40	Questions and Answers Session
10:55	Coffee Break and Networking
11:20	<p>Tackling Health Inequalities in the Big Society</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The impact of the government's 'Big society' programme on health inequalities • Sharing responsibility with patients and the public in delivering better health for all • Building a preventative health system • The role of co-production and its potential impact on health inequalities <p>Anna Coote, Head of Social Policy, the new economics foundation (CONFIRMED)</p>
11:40	<p>Case Study: The Role of the Third Sector in Health Improvement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivering services in disadvantaged areas • Supporting health professionals to understand and tackle health inequalities • Identifying and meeting needs - assisting GPs and health professionals to provide services • Working in partnership to provide integrated services with flexible access • Engaging with communities in the design and delivery of care <p>Ralph Michell, Head of Policy, ACEVO (CONFIRMED)</p>
12:00	Questions and Answers Session
12:15	Lunch and Networking
13:15	<p>The Wider Social Determinants of Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflections on the social determinants of public health • What can be done to reduce the major risk factors of poor health? • The impact of the recession on health inequalities <p>Professor Clare Bambra, Professor of Public Health Policy, Department for Geography, Durham University (CONFIRMED)</p>
13:35	<p>Case Study: Health and Well-being - A Multi-Agency Approach</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting councils - funding healthy communities programmes

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13:55	<p>The Environmental Causes of Inequality - Building Healthy Communities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The impact of the local environment on public health • Supporting local authorities – the funding options for healthy communities programmes • Priorities and outcomes - measuring performance and impact • A holistic approach to tackling inequality • Encouraging healthy lifestyles through infrastructure • The role of community settings in healthcare • Engaging with communities in the design and scope of health services <p>Susan Francis, Special Advisor for Health, CABE (CONFIRMED)</p>
14:15	<p>Questions and Answers Session</p>
14:30	<p>Coffee and Networking</p>
15:00	<p>The Economic Cost of Inequality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investing in preventative healthcare – cost-effective solutions • Reducing variations in public health • The financial cost of health inequalities – loss of productivity, higher welfare payments, higher treatment costs • Ensuring value for money in health services • Achievements and future challenges <p>Karen Taylor, Head of Health Value for Money, National Audit Office (CONFIRMED)</p>
15:20	<p>Positive Health Outcomes for All</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reducing inequalities as a top priority for the health service • Tackling the social causes of health inequalities

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Expected impact of the health premium ● Identifying, developing and supporting organisations and individuals who take on public health roles ● Outcomes focused services - shared objectives and aims ● Pooling budgets and collaborative procurement ● The Big Society - extending the role of the third sector in the providing health services <p>David Buck, Deputy Director, Health Inequalities Unit, Department of Health (CONFIRMED)</p>
15:40	Questions and Answers Session
16:00	Chair's Closing Remarks
16:05	Close

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