

# CISHE NEWS

**CISHE was funded for three years by the Higher Education Funding Council for Wales (HEFCW) Research Capacity Development Fund (RCDF). The HEFCW funding ends this year, and thus we enter a critical phase in CISHE's development. The principal aim of the RCDF was to create new and sustainable research capacity in Wales, and we believe that CISHE can claim to have achieved this aim successfully.**

Our success in winning external grant funding is such that CISHE has now grown from a standing start in 2003 to a team of 28 staff and 4 research students. A further three posts are currently advertised and three further PhD students will commence in October.



*Professor Laurence Moore, Director*

The future sustainability of CISHE will be largely dependent on continued success in income generation; current track record and future opportunities suggest that this is likely to be achieved. To maximise competitiveness in research funding bids, CISHE will need to focus on the leadership of key specialist research areas and on participation in high quality collaborative research partnerships.

The new health and social care research infrastructure in Wales, in which CISHE plays its part through the leadership of PHIRN and AWARD, will help to facilitate collaboration. Increased funding opportunities in the strategically important area of public health improvement are expected to lead to this becoming an increasing area of research focus in CISHE. We are therefore able to look to the future with great confidence.

The greatest asset we have at CISHE is the fantastic team of staff which brings its breadth of disciplines, skills and expertise together in a tremendous spirit of co-operation and team work. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members of CISHE staff past and present for their brilliant efforts in establishing CISHE and delivering high quality research outputs for funders.

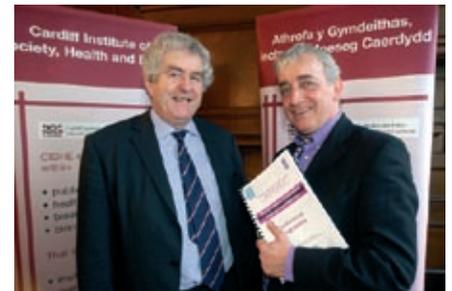
## Recent Events

### 7th International Health Impact Assessment Conference

“Health Impact Assessment: Making the Difference”

In April this year Cardiff Institute of Society Health and Ethics, in partnership with the Wales Centre for Health, hosted the 7th International Health Impact Assessment Conference which was held at the historic Coal Exchange, Cardiff Bay. Whilst the Conference was organised by the Wales Centre for Health, the Welsh Health Impact Assessment Support Unit (WHIASU) based in CISHE attended to the academic aspects of the event.

The conference which was being held in Wales for the first time was opened by Professor Gareth Williams, who also welcomed the First Minister, Rhodri Morgan. Health impact assessment forms part of the Welsh Assembly Government's overall strategy for improving health and reducing inequalities that persist in Wales and the conference provided an opportunity for Wales to showcase its achievements in this rapidly developing field. The First Minister addressed the conference and there were also speakers from the Welsh Local Government Association, the Strategic Policy Unit and the Health Improvement Division within the Assembly. The Deputy Minister for Health and Social Services, John Griffiths also hosted a tour of Senedd, the new Assembly building in Cardiff Bay.



*Rt Hon Rhodri Morgan, First Minister and Professor Gareth Williams*

The event attracted around 180 academics, policy makers and practitioners from the UK and other countries including the USA, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, South Korea and many European countries.

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The keynote speaker was Professor Sally Macintyre, one of the world's leading medical sociologists, and Director of the MRC Social and Public Health Sciences Unit at the University of Glasgow. The event also provided an opportunity for a diverse range of delegates to learn from each other, share best practice and network on local, national and international levels. As one delegate commented:

*"The development of HIA in different countries has followed different routes but is facing a range of similar issues."*

Information about the conference will soon be available on the website which also contains further information about HIA and the work of the Unit: <http://www.whiasu.wales.nhs.uk>

### Annual Julian Tudor Hart Lecture – 'Changing Health Care'



From left to right; Dr Paul Walker, Professor Gareth Williams and Dr Julian Tudor Hart

Dr. Julian Tudor Hart, a GP in the Welsh mining village of Glyncoed for 30 years gave the inaugural annual Julian Tudor Hart Annual Lecture at Cardiff University. He is the author of hundreds of articles in medical journals and past President of the Socialist Health Association.

The Annual Lecture Series is jointly organised by the Cardiff Institute of Society, Health and Ethics and the Public Health Alliance, Cymru. Dr Hart's talk,

*The Political Economy of Health Care: a Clinical Perspective*, was based on his new book and drew on a lifetime's political commitment, epidemiological research and innovative organisation of primary care, that has won him an international reputation.

The central theme of Dr Hart's book is that 'rational and effective health care cannot follow the pattern of market competition for profit'. A review of his book reads: 'This is a passionate analysis of the historical development, current state and potential future shape of the National Health Service by distinguished doctor and author, Julian Tudor Hart. Drawing on many years of clinical experience, Tudor Hart sets out to explore how the NHS might be reconstituted as a humane service for all (rather than a profitable one for the few) and a civilising influence on society as a whole.' *Policy Press 2006*

Further details are available from [www.policypress.org.uk](http://www.policypress.org.uk)

## Forthcoming Events

### Health Challenge Wales: Evidence for Policy Seminar Series

Following the success of the two previous Health Challenge Wales seminars, the next three have now been scheduled and the series will now link with the activities of the recently funded Public Health Improvement Research Network (PHIRN). The first of these, on October 3rd 2006 will focus on childhood obesity and will be opened by the Chief Medical Officer for Wales, Dr Jewell. This will be followed, in December 2006, by a seminar examining alcohol use and misuse and in February 2007 by a further seminar examining physical activity. Further details of the seminar series will be posted on the CISHE website and will be sent to those currently registered for the seminar series. Those not currently registered should contact Zoë Macdonald at [macdonaldz@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:macdonaldz@cardiff.ac.uk) or 029 2087 6638.

## Current Projects

### Evaluation of National Exercise Referral Scheme

With partners from the North Wales Clinical School (Professor Clare Wilkinson and Dr Nefyn Williams) and University of Wales Bangor (Dr Rhiannon Tudor Edwards), Laurence Moore and Simon Murphy have been awarded the contract for a 3-year project which will be a randomised controlled trial of the new National Exercise Referral Scheme in Wales. The scheme will be targeted towards patients with CHD risk factors and mild depression or anxiety. The primary outcome of the trial will be physical activity measured at 6 and 12-month follow-up. The trial will include a nested process evaluation of the scheme and an economic evaluation. Project advisors include Dr Michael Shepherd (AWARD), Drs Anne Haase and Melvyn Hillsdon (University of Bristol Department of Exercise and Health Science), and Drs David Ingledew and David Markland (University of Bangor). The project is funded by the Welsh Assembly Government Public Health Improvement Division.

### Free School Breakfast Evaluation

The Evaluation of the Primary School Free Healthy Breakfast Initiative has continued over this year, with a period of constant activity, including data collection, data management, analysis and report writing. Data collection has now been completed in the 58 schools in Communities First areas of Wales who were recruited in 2004. This has included baseline, 4 month follow-up and final 12 month follow-up data on children's dietary behaviours, cognitive function, classroom behaviour and attitudes towards breakfast. For the 53 Non-Communities First schools recruited in October 2005, baseline data collections are complete, and collection of 4 month follow-up data is currently underway with all data due to be collected by January 2007. Collected data has been coded and entered; in the case of baseline measures this has covered a total of 4336 pupils in the 111 schools.

Papers describing the validation of outcome measures to assess children's attitudes towards breakfast and dietary behaviours are currently undergoing peer review.



The development of these measures will be the focus of a presentation at the Society of Social Medicine's Annual Scientific Meeting in November, whilst a poster presentation focussing on methodological issues was displayed at the AWARD/CHIRAL conference at Swansea University.

The coming months will see continuing focus upon analysis and dissemination with further papers exploring social and psychological correlates of children's breakfast eating behaviours and associations between breakfast and cognitive function and classroom behaviour.

In addition a process evaluation has focussed on the views and experiences of implementation of Local Education Authority representatives, the co-ordinators in all intervention schools, and pupils, teachers and caterers in selected case study schools. Following an earlier preliminary report (which can be found at <http://www.learning.wales.gov.uk/pdfs/breakfast/preliminary-phase-report-e.pdf>) analysis of process data is now underway, in preparation for a report to the Welsh Assembly Government on scheme implementation.

For further details contact Dr Simon Murphy (MurphyS7@cardiff.ac.uk)

## Can dieting make you fat?

Research in the field of addiction shows that when a person abuses a substance they display an attentional bias for information in the environment relating to this substance. That is, the person will direct their attention towards such information and process it more extensively.

Attentional bias is important since research suggests that it may contribute to the maintenance and/or escalation of the addictive behaviour.

In this project we hope to clarify the nature of food-related attentional biases and overeating and examine their potential diagnostic and intervention value. In the last few months we have been exploring potential measures of food-related attentional biases, food preoccupation, and overeating. We will continue to refine these measures before beginning data collection at the end of the summer.

For further details contact Dr Katy Tapper (k.tapper@swansea.ac.uk)

## Mindfulness-based weight loss



There is evidence to suggest that being overweight and obesity is associated with both emotional eating (overeating in response to negative emotions such as boredom or unhappiness) and external eating (overeating in response to food-related stimuli such as the sight or smell of a palatable food). This project will develop and pilot a self-awareness based intervention aimed at reducing levels of emotional and external eating among women. In doing so it is hoped that it will help reduce and prevent being overweight and obesity.

We are currently in the process of conducting focus groups with a small number of women to test some of the programme's components and principles. Recruitment for the main evaluation is due to start this Summer with intervention delivery beginning in the Autumn.

For further details contact Joanne Ilsley (IlsleyJ@cardiff.ac.uk)

## Resisting temptation: can we learn to do it better?

This study examines the effects of different ideation strategies on children's self-regulatory behaviour. More specifically, it employs the 'Delay of Gratification Paradigm' to assess the effects of different instructions on the length of time children are able to wait in order to receive a treat. The research will help further our understanding of the development of self-control and may eventually contribute to more effective education programmes. However, the research cannot be pursued without the generous participation of parents and their children. As such, we are currently looking for children between the ages of 3 ½ and 5 years to participate in this 30 minute study. If you know of anyone who may be willing to take part we would be very grateful if you could ask them to contact Nazanin on the details below. *\*As a token of our appreciation, small goody bags will be provided to all parents and children who participate!\**

For further details contact Nazanin Azimian-Faridani 029 2087 9609 (Nazanin@cardiff.ac.uk)

## Performance Assessment and 'Wicked Issues': the case of health inequalities



This three year national study aims to explore different approaches to monitoring, assessing, and improving the work of public services in tackling 'wicked issues', using the current priority to reduce health inequalities as an example. 'Wicked issues' are described as complex issues that require different public services to work together, often without a clear understanding of causes and how outcomes can be best achieved.

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The research will evaluate the contribution of performance assessment to making progress with health inequalities in three contrasting national audit cultures: England, Scotland and Wales. Using semi-structured in-depth interviews and discourse analysis the study will be undertaken in nine localities; four in England, two in Scotland and three in Wales. Participants will be selected across local authorities, Local Health Boards or Primary Care Trusts, key relevant community and voluntary organisations, and health partnerships spanning strategic, middle management, operational and community levels. Regional and national representatives will also be approached. Initial interviews are being conducted in the first year of the project with follow-up after around 18 months.

The research is funded by the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) as part of a programme on Public Services: Quality, Performance and Delivery. It is led by Durham University in collaboration with the Health Services Research Unit, University of Aberdeen, and the School of Social Sciences, Cardiff University. The principle investigator is Tim Blackman, from the School of Applied Social Sciences at Durham University. Within CISHE Gareth Williams and Eva Elliott are undertaking the research in Wales.

For further details contact Professor Gareth Williams (WilliamsGH1@cardiff.ac.uk) or Dr Eva Elliott (ElliottE@cardiff.ac.uk)

### Smoking uptake in adolescence: a longitudinal investigation of peer influence and peer selection



Cancer Research UK has funded a 12-month investigation of the relationship between peer influence and the uptake and patterning of smoking behaviour in adolescence.

The study utilises longitudinal data collected during A Stop Smoking in Schools Trial.

Smoking in adolescence is associated with friends' smoking behaviour. However, the causal nature of this relationship is contested and several hypotheses have been suggested which relate to the direct effect of peer influence (the effect of peers on behaviour) and the indirect effect of peer selection (when friendships are formed as a result of a particular behaviour).

This project aims to separate influence and selection effects and ascertain the contribution of each as a determinant of smoking behaviour. It will provide insight into the suitability of smoking prevention programmes which concentrate on the influence of peers on smoking behaviour.

Research team: Laurence Moore, Jo Holliday, Heather Rothwell and Simon Murphy from CISHE, and Rona Campbell from the University of Bristol.

For further details contact Jo Holliday (HollidayJ1@cardiff.ac.uk)

### Systematic review of the evidence on approaches to maintaining and generating health



CISHE has been awarded a contract by NICE to carry out a 'systematic review of the evidence on approaches to maintaining and generating health, with a particular focus on resilience, capability and coping.' The focus of the review will be on the positive adaptation of people despite conditions of social-structural adversity. It aims to consider the theoretical frameworks used by research in this area, the empirical evidence on the contexts and processes thought to facilitate positive adaptation and, where possible, the effectiveness of interventions and programmes engaged in generating these contexts. The members of the core research team are Gareth Williams, Eva Elliott, Emily Harrop and Samia Addis. The project is due to be completed in August 2006.

For further details contact Emily Harrop (HarropE@cardiff.ac.uk)

### Regulatory innovation of a contested technology zone: Follow-up study of human tissue engineering in the UK and EU

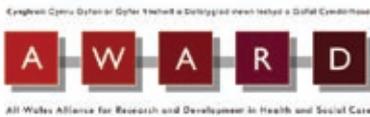


This study extends previous research to track the evolution of regulatory policy for tissue engineered 'regenerative medicine' technologies in Europe and the UK. New tissue banking regulation is being implemented, and further regulation to control placing of new products in the marketplace is being designed. The research focus is on the framing of risk; stakeholder participation; new forms of evidence; hospital tissue bank/industry relations; reconfiguration of regulatory agencies; technical standards for quality, safety and efficacy; regulatory ethics; the significance of biomaterials in regulatory discourse; and implications for public health. The project contributes to sociological understanding of healthcare system innovation, Europeanisation, technology zones, and public policy process in conditions of globalisation.

Investigators: Dr Alex Faulkner (CISHE), Professor Peter Glasner (CESAGen) and Dr David FitzPatrick (University College Dublin).

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## South East All Wales Alliance for Research and Development in Health and Social Care (SE AWARD)



SE AWARD are a multi-disciplinary group of researchers based at CISHE and in the Centre for Health Sciences Research (CHSR). It is the regional arm of the AWARD partnership which has been funded for five years to support the development of research in health and social care in Wales. AWARD undertakes policy research and training for the Welsh Assembly Government and offers advice and support to all health & social care researchers in Wales, while members are also actively engaged in research, often in partnership with other researchers. Recent projects for SE AWARD include a report for the Assembly on the health, social care and housing needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender older people, in which they were aided by expert advice from CISHE colleague Sara MacBride-Stewart.

Current projects for the group include a review of the evidence on approaches to generating and maintaining health for NICE, in collaboration with CISHE colleagues and studies of approaches to demand management in secondary care, undertaken in partnership with colleagues at CHSR.

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## The Welsh Health Impact Assessment Support Unit (WHIASU)

### The Research Team:

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Liz Green (Health Impact Assessment Support Worker based in Wrexham)  
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### What is the Welsh Health Impact Assessment Support Unit?

Health Impact Assessment is a process which supports organisations to assess the potential consequences of their decisions on people's health and well-being. The Welsh Health Impact Assessment Support Unit based in the Cardiff Institute of Society, Health and Ethics is funded by the Welsh Assembly Government, through the Wales Centre for Health, and is resourced to cover north, mid and south Wales. The Unit, as part of the Welsh Assembly Government's wider strategy to improve health and reduce inequalities, has a number of key roles:

- To support the development and effective use of the health impact assessment approach in Wales through building partnerships and collaborations with key statutory, voluntary, community and private organisations in Wales
- To provide direct information, advice and support to policy decision-makers who are in the process of conducting health impact assessments, as well as assisting local communities in using the approach
- To contribute to the provision of new research, and provide access to existing evidence, that will inform and improve judgements about the potential impacts of policies, programmes and projects.

### Current work

The Unit has worked closely with local authorities and their strategic partners to build capacity for the sustainable and effective use of HIA which is playing a key role in the development, implementation and monitoring of Health Social Care and Well being Strategies. The Unit has also been supporting the use of HIA in local communities, supporting local residents using the approach and working with Communities First Partnerships to help them tackle the health inequalities which continue to persist in Wales.

### Current research:

The Unit is currently part of a European research project led by the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies and funded by the European Commission's Public Health Programme. The project aims to map the use of HIA across Europe, evaluate its effectiveness and identify the determinants for its successful implementation. Further details of the project can be found on the project website: [www.euro.who.int/observatory/studies/20040310\\_1](http://www.euro.who.int/observatory/studies/20040310_1).

For more information about WHIASU, HIA and progress being made in developing the use of health impact assessment throughout Wales you can visit the website: <http://www.whiasu.wales.nhs.uk> or contact Alison Golby (GolbyA@cardiff.ac.uk)

## Public Health Improvement Research Network (PHIRN)



**P H I R N**

PUBLIC HEALTH IMPROVEMENT RESEARCH NETWORK  
BRYDYSWARTH YMGHWIL I WELLS IECYDVA I CYMRU

Since the launch of PHIRN in February 2006 the Network Co-ordinating Team have taken forward the development of network support in a number of ways. A preliminary list of RDGs (Research Development Groups) have been generated, focussed on: alcohol and adolescents; smoking in public places; obesity and physical activity; obesity and nutrition; adolescents and sexual health; social capital; health and the media and nutrition and child health. Informal discussions with key collaborators have begun and these will be further progressed over the next few months.

Following collaboration with the Information Services Department at Cardiff University, the team are in the process of

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developing a PHIRN website with a members database and electronic discussion forum. The aim is to launch the website by September 2006.

In consultation with the Public Health Improvement Division at the Welsh Assembly, the next three seminars in the Health Challenge Wales Evidence for Policy Seminar Series have been planned (see page 2). Please contact Zoë Macdonald for more details: [macdonaldz@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:macdonaldz@cardiff.ac.uk)

Discussions are currently underway with potential contributors and the Chief Medical Officer for Wales has been approached to open the October event.

Finally, Laurence Moore presented an overview of PHIRN at the CRC (Clinical Research Collaboration) Cymru launch event on 6th July at the Macdonald Holland House Hotel in Cardiff.

For further details contact Sarah MacDonald ([MacDonaldS@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:MacDonaldS@cardiff.ac.uk)) or Dr Simon Murphy ([MurphyS7@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:MurphyS7@cardiff.ac.uk))

### **Realising Professionalism: An exploration of GPs' understandings and experiences of professional practice and modernisation in Wales**

**Principal Investigator:**  
**Dr Sara MacBride-Stewart**

This qualitative interview study illuminates the experiences and understandings of professionalism for general practitioners working in Wales who are doctoring under the complexity of health services in process of modernisation. Currently, GPs report working in a pressured environment in which there has been a recent and substantial amount of institutional change. However there has been little systematic research about the impacts, effects and understandings of these changes by general practitioners. If strategies for postgraduate development for GPs are tailored to fit the specific complexities and issues of their

doctoring, then they will be more relevant and may be better taken up by GPs. This research intends to assist the work of educationalists by drawing attention to the resources that general practitioners draw on to discuss what they do and how they experience themselves as doctors. Data collection is continuing and a series of conference presentations are planned through July to September 2006.

For further details please contact Sara MacBride-Stewart ([MacBride-StewartS@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:MacBride-StewartS@cardiff.ac.uk))

### **Feminisation and Medicine**

**Project Team:** Dr Sara MacBride-Stewart and Merryn Smith

This research explores the ways in which the feminisation thesis is called on in medicine to highlight workforce issues, at a time when the retention of doctors at postgraduate level and throughout their careers is a key issue for the profession. Overall, this research reflects an explicit attempt to highlight intersections between discourses of professionalism, medicalisation and feminisation. There is a substantial gap in the medical discourse on sociological and educational perspectives on feminisation. This research produces sophisticated, interdisciplinary perspectives related to the management of gender (as a workforce and educational issue) in the medical profession. The researchers have presented their findings at conferences and seminars (with invitations to speak). A publication is planned for September 2006.

For further details contact Sara MacBride-Stewart ([MacBride-StewartS@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:MacBride-StewartS@cardiff.ac.uk))

### **Postgraduate Medical Education of Hospital Doctors**

The aim of the programme is to make a major contribution to education and health research in Cardiff University by bringing together social sciences research with postgraduate medical education. It also aims to provide evidence that will inform the development of key Welsh Assembly funded activities in the section of Hospital Practice.

The first stage of the research programme on hospital practice has now been completed. It involves both primary and secondary research informed by educational and sociological theory, in particular socio-cultural theories of learning, and feminist work on gender, education and organisations. The two projects are 'Gender and Medical Training: Tipping the Balance?' Project Team: M Tsouroufli, M Smith and H Payne and 'The impact of short-training courses on senior doctors' knowledge and professional development: A qualitative study.' Project Team: M Tsouroufli and H Payne.

These will inform future funded research on issues including i) work-based learning, ii) medical careers and iii) communication, learning and ethnicity in postgraduate medical education.

For further details contact Maria Tsouroufli ([TsouroufliM@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:TsouroufliM@cardiff.ac.uk))

### **Social Capital, History and Policy Implementation**

This project is being led by the Institute for Health Research at Lancaster University and is funded by the Department of Health. The main aim of the project is to explore how historical sources might be used as an evidence base when planning and implementing regeneration interventions.

Four case study sites were chosen from the 1970s Home Office Community Development Project and Emily Harrop and Eva Elliott have been conducting the research on the Upper Afan site. This involved collecting written sources and carrying out oral history interviews with local residents and Community Development Project workers. The fieldwork finished in December 2005 and the project is due to be completed this summer.

For further details contact Emily Harrop ([HarropE@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:HarropE@cardiff.ac.uk))

## Other events outside CISHE

### 'Made in Wales: the NHS in retrospect and prospect'

Monday, 2 October 2006  
6 pm. Main Arts Lecture Theatre,  
College Road, University of  
Wales, Bangor

Sponsored by 'The Nuffield Trust'

**Foreword:** Professor Merfyn Jones  
University of Wales, Bangor

**Speaker:** Professor Chris Ham  
University of Birmingham

**Response:** Professor Cam Donaldson  
University of Newcastle upon Tyne

**Contact:** Bethan Brown, IMSCaR,  
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### Randomised Controlled Trials in the Social Sciences: Challenges and Prospects.

**Date:** 13th - 15th September  
2006

**Venue:** The Auditorium, Alcuin  
Research Resource Centre  
(ARRC), University of York

**Details:** The conference is a 3 day  
event including optional workshops on  
the afternoon of the 13th September  
discussing Cluster-randomised Trials  
and Systematic Reviews of Randomised  
Controlled Trials. There will then  
follow 2 days of papers with keynote  
speeches by Professor Laurence Moore  
(Cardiff Institute of Society, Health  
and Ethics, Cardiff University, UK)  
Professor Thomas Cook (Northwestern  
University, USA) and Dr Philip Davies  
(Government Social Research Unit, UK).  
The conference includes a research  
poster session.

Further details can be obtained  
by visiting the project website:  
[www.trials-pp.co.uk](http://www.trials-pp.co.uk)

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# CISHE Working Papers

## CISHE working papers abstracts

### Law in Tension with Evolving Ethical Perception: Prenatal Genetic Testing for Sex and Disability

Dr. Michael M. Burgess and  
Dr. Bryn Williams-Jones

#### Abstract

*Keywords: sex-selection; disability; policy; ethics; genetics; social context*

Legal prohibitions are often simple responses to highly complex ethical and social problems. Recommendations for legal prohibition of prenatal sex-selection distinguish between testing for sex and for disabling conditions. This distinction appears to be based on an objective difference between gender and disease or conditions that are themselves causes of suffering. But ethical analysis reveals symmetry between these two cases, challenging whether the law is responding to differences in the nature of the test, or to social pressures against discrimination that are better developed with respect to sexism than is the case for disability discrimination. This paper argues that the strongest position against sex-selection is based on a rejection of the parental assessment that a person's sex seriously compromises quality of life together with the dedication of social resources to minimize discrimination based on sex.

Some genetic conditions produce disabilities that cannot be alleviated through improved social circumstances; the reasons for not restricting prenatal testing and termination as an option for parents for these conditions are distinguishable from those supporting prohibition of sex-selection. However, the severity and lack of predictability of disability associated with other genetic conditions are strongly contingent on social circumstances. Thus it may be reasonable to acknowledge that serious social reforms are required while at the same time supporting parental assessment of quality of life through testing and termination.

But problems to do with the aggregate effects of individual parental choices, together with the need to work toward more supportive social circumstances, emphasize the importance of involving persons with disabilities and their spokespersons in evaluating social circumstances, disability discrimination, appropriate prenatal testing and related information to support parental decisions.

### Evaluation of Equity Training and Advocacy Grant Pilot Programme

Sarah MacDonald, Eva Elliott,  
Laurence Moore

#### Abstract:

*Keywords: health advocacy; health inequalities; inequities in access to healthcare; health care professionals.*

The Townsend review of the arrangements for allocating resources for health and health services in Wales, 'Targeting Poor Health', recommended a 'dual strategy' for tackling health inequalities in Wales by action both within and outside the NHS. The review recommended the provision of equity training grants (to increase awareness and understanding of health inequalities and inequities in access to health care) and advocacy grants (to stimulate new action locally to address unmet needs).

The Welsh Assembly Government set up a pilot programme to assess the potential value of these grants which were aimed at health professionals and their partners outside the NHS. The pilot funded 25 projects in three Local Health Board areas between December 2003 and March 2004. An independent evaluation clarified the mechanisms driving the programme and assessed the potential of Equity Training and Advocacy Grants to address health inequalities.

The programme provided small pots of funding to raise awareness amongst health professionals about health inequalities and also stimulated some new local action.

This report presents the findings from the evaluation and describes the sorts of projects that were funded, the key crosscutting findings, and suggests what the main challenges might be to the future of such a programme.

### Evaluation of European Adolescent Smoking Cessation Pilot Programme

Sarah MacDonald, Ingrid Geesink,  
Laurence Moore

#### Abstract

*Keywords: smoking; cessation; adolescents; process evaluation.*

Smoking cessation is well documented to be a clinically effective and cost effective health care intervention for adults. However, there has been limited research about whether the provision of smoking cessation services would be as appropriate for the adolescent age group, given the differences in their smoking behaviour and attitude.

Following pilot adolescent smoking cessation schemes in Denmark, the Netherlands and Wales, the Welsh Assembly Government led the development of further pilot projects in: Belgium; Denmark; Greece; the Netherlands; Portugal; the Slovak Republic; Spain and Wales. Most projects delivered school-based weekly cessation sessions over a six to eight week period focussing on 16 to 18 year olds. However, there was variation in the approach adopted and in the contexts in which projects operated.

Researchers from CISHE were appointed to evaluate the pilot focussing on a process evaluation of how the programme was implemented, delivered and supported in three case study countries. This report includes key lessons about what works in terms of setting up and implementing projects with a particular focus on adapting smoking cessation activities for adults to the different and changing needs of adolescents.

**In the sociomedical laboratory of citizen health: exploring science, technology, governance and engagement in prostate cancer detection in the UK**

Alex Faulkner

**Abstract**

*Keywords: healthcare science; governance; policy; citizen engagement; patient participation; risk; prostate cancer; PSA test; science & technology studies (STS); discussion paper.*

Evidential science and governance are closely linked in contemporary societies, nowhere more than in the domain of health policy. Healthcare technology is everywhere scrutinised and innovating, raising questions of the relationship between the modernising state and citizens' engagement in healthcare knowledge and practice. Prostate cancer is acknowledged as a major public health problem internationally, and has been widely represented in the mass media. Unusually, it is a high-profile disease affecting only men. International, national and local policies for the appropriate healthcare response vary and are contested. This paper presents a preliminary consideration of the role of an evolving healthcare technology, the prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood test in the construction of this 'public health' problem; it identifies controversy between clinical practice and policy discourse on the disease influenced by the methodologies of healthcare science; and it considers the part played by the science of prostate cancer detection in the shaping of the healthcare sciences. The significance of the engagement of men in sociomedical spaces of scientific uncertainty and healthcare risk is discussed.

The paper draws upon science and technology studies (STS) approaches and concepts of public policy analysis. Materials used include medical and epidemiological research and commentary; surveys of the use and interpretation of the PSA test and treatment options by doctors; materials emerging from healthcare science (the health technology assessment and 'health service research' movements); and healthcare policy documents.

This exploratory paper discusses what was formerly regarded as 'early-stage' prostate cancer in the sense of localised disease confined to the prostate, and also is focused on the early phase of healthcare science and governance engagement with this issue, which continues to evolve.

**The ethical context of conducting interventions against depression at the population-level rather than the individual level**

Søren Holm and Stephen Burgess

Depression is often seen as a growing public health issue, and this is reflected in a growing number of interventions. This paper discusses the ethical implications of interventions conducted at the population, as opposed to the individual level. We start by outlining the main ethical considerations of such approaches. Particularly we argue that given the stigma associated with diagnoses and labels of mental illness, including depression, allocation or adoption of such labels greatly effects the lives of sufferers. While long-term social and legal efforts may be made to reduce

stigma and discrimination, the potential consequences of such labels must be recognised and greater sensitivity to this must illuminate discussions and practice of diagnosis, intervention and treatment. With this in mind, we proceed to consider several specific large-scale interventions to address depression. These include: web-based interventions; over the counter sales of anti-depressants; school-based interventions and interventions in the young and environmental interventions. We conclude that many types of large-scale intervention are not ethically unproblematic and that there is a significant difference between treating people who seek help, and searching for people whom we think need help. Consequently, in the current climate of prevailing attitudes towards mental health generally, and depression in particular, the use of population-level interventions raises serious ethical considerations that cannot be ignored.

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# CISHE Farewells

## Katy Tapper



Katy left CISHE at the start of June to take up a lectureship in the Department of Psychology at Swansea University. Katy had been at CISHE for nearly 3 years during which

she worked on a variety of projects including fruit tuck shops, free school breakfasts and a self-awareness based weight loss intervention. She hopes to maintain strong links with CISHE and will continue her involvement in a number of different projects.

## Ingrid Geesink



Ingrid left CISHE in June to take up a post-doc fellowship (ESRC/MRC) at CESAGen Cardiff, the Centre for Economic and Social Aspects of

Genomics. There she continues her work on tissue engineering regulation and stem cell therapies. Ingrid has enjoyed working in CISHE since its inception in 2003, where her last project was the Evaluation of European Adolescent Smoking Cessation Pilot programme.

# CISHE staff profiles

## Professor Laurence Moore

### Director

Laurence Moore, Director of CISHE, has a multidisciplinary background, with a PhD in Quantitative Geography and an MSc in Medical Statistics. Since 1992, his research interests have focused on the evaluation of complex public health interventions. He has led a number of current or recently completed trials of such interventions, most of which have been school-based. He also has a keen interest in methodological development in the evaluation of complex interventions, particularly cluster randomised trials, and in contributing to the development of research capacity in this area within both medical and social sciences. He has also led or contributed to multidisciplinary teams using mixed methodologies to evaluate a range of health service and public health interventions and policies.

## Samia Addis

### Research Associate

As a part time research associate for SE AWARD, Samia has contributed to various projects commissioned by the Welsh Assembly Government. These include mapping provision of occupational health training in Wales and evaluating the health and social care needs of older lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people in Wales.

Additionally, Samia is keen to develop her interest in the impact of food poverty, particularly on children from low income backgrounds.

## Nazanin Azimian

### Research Assistant

Nazanin is currently completing her PhD in the School of Psychology, as well as working part-time in CISHE under the supervision of Dr. Katy Tapper. As a Research Assistant, she is involved in piloting a study looking at children's self-regulatory behaviour, by the employment of the delay gratification paradigm.



CISHE staff, June 2006

## Stephen Burgess

### Research Associate

Stephen's current research includes: school smoking policies and the methodological and the ethical considerations of researching in schools. He is also interested in qualitative and quantitative uses of GIS; mental health; and the geographical experience of health.

## Carol Desousa

### Research Associate Statistician

Carol joined CISHE in May 2005 as a statistician on a part-time secondment to the Public Health Improvement Division (PHID) at the Welsh Assembly Government. Carol is undertaking secondary analyses of health-related datasets, such as the MRC Smoking Cessation in Pregnancy trial (ShiP) and Health Behaviour in School-aged Children (HBSC) study.

## Dr Eva Elliott

### Senior Research Fellow

Eva is a Research Council UK Fellow in Social and Economic Change and Health. She also leads the CISHE research theme on the Determinants of Health and Regeneration. Her research interests include: the understanding of and interventions that tackle health inequalities; salutogenic approaches to health

improvement; the social and economic determinants of health, civil society and health governance; and the contribution of lay knowledge to policy making and service development.

## Dr Alex Faulkner

### Senior Research Fellow

Alex leads a research programme on the political economy and public health aspects of medical technologies - governance, regulation, evidence, patient safety, and the social management of risk. He is currently leading an ESRC project on regulatory policy for tissue engineered technologies in the UK and Europe. Other technologies of interest include infusion pumps, artificial hips, the PSA test for prostate cancer and self-care technologies such as the coagulometer. Alex is currently writing a book entitled 'Medical Devices and Healthcare Innovation' due for publication in 2008.

## Sheila Foley

### Institute Secretary

Currently absent due to illness. We wish Sheila a speedy recovery.

## Dr Alison Golby

### Research Associate

Alison works with Gareth Williams, Eva Elliott and Liz Green (based in Wrexham) at the Welsh Health Impact Assessment Support Unit (WHIASU) based at CISHE.

## CISHE STAFF PROFILES (continued)

There are two dimensions to her role: supporting policy decision makers in statutory and voluntary organisations, as well as local communities, in using health impact assessment (HIA) and informing the development of HIA through involvement in relevant research.

Alison has participated in “The Effectiveness of Health Impact Assessment”, a research project led by the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies, funded by the European Commission’s Public Health Programme. Details of this project can be found on the project website: [www.euro.who.int/observatory/studies/20040310\\_1](http://www.euro.who.int/observatory/studies/20040310_1).

### **Emily Harrop** *Research Assistant*

Emily’s research interests are in the areas of social inequalities, social exclusion and community engagement. She is currently carrying out a systematic review on the positive adaptation of people despite conditions of social-structural adversity.

### **Jo Holliday** *Research Associate*

Jo’s primary research interest is in the fields of adolescent health. In particular, she is interested in the social influences of health behaviours, and the importance of social networks for encouraging and combating detrimental health behaviours. She is currently working on the CRUK-funded investigation of smoking uptake in adolescence.

### **Professor Søren Holm** *Professorial Fellow*

Søren Holm is professorial fellow in bioethics. He is a medical doctor and philosopher with broad research interests within the field of medical ethics. His current research is focused on public health ethics, the ethics of stem cell production and use, and issues concerning informed consent in research.

### **Joanne Ilsley** *Research Assistant*

Joanne is currently involved in the ‘Development and piloting of an acceptance-based intervention for overweight and obese women’ project. She has a background in

clinical psychology and has interests in the different theoretical approaches to the treatment of adult mental health problems. Her current research involves the applicability of a mindfulness based approach to weight loss as an adjunct to diet and exercise.

### **Dr Sara Jones** *Institute Administrator*

Sara Jones is the Administrator of CISHE. She has overall administrative responsibility for personnel, financial monitoring, public relations and marketing for the Institute. Please contact her if you have any enquiries concerning CISHE.

### **Rebecca Lynch** *Research Assistant*

Becci’s background is in medical anthropology and this remains a strong research interest. Other areas of interest include preventative medicine and public health, public health ethics, policy and children and health beliefs. She is currently working on the Welsh Assembly Government-funded Evaluation of the Free School Breakfast Initiative and is particularly involved in the qualitative aspects of the project.

### **Dr Sara MacBride-Stewart** *Senior Research Associate*

Sara works with the Schools of Social Science and Postgraduate Medical and Dental Education to develop an interdisciplinary programme in PostGraduate Medical Education that brings together medical education, education studies, medical sociology and the critical social sciences. Current research projects that Sara is conducting include i) Realising GP Professionalism in Wales ii) Feminisation and Medicine and ii) GP Appraisal and Continuing Professional Development.

Sara’s related research and teaching interests focus on the production and transmission of health knowledges, and the intersections between health, gender and sexuality. She is also currently publishing work on experiential meanings of chronic pelvic pain.

### **Sarah MacDonald** *Research Associate*

Sarah’s current research interests include health inequalities and public health policy. Sarah has recently completed a study exploring public and organisation perspectives on roles and responsibilities for health improvement. She is currently involved in the Public Health Improvement Research Network (PHIRN) funded by the Welsh Office of Research and Development in Health and Social Care (WORD), at the Welsh Assembly Government.

### **Zoë Macdonald** *Project Secretary*

Zoë Macdonald is the Project Secretary within CISHE. Her role is to provide administrative support for research projects within the Cardiff Institute of Society, Health and Ethics. Please contact Zoë if you have any queries regarding the research projects within the Institute.

### **Graham Moore** *Research Assistant*

Graham works on the Free School Breakfast Evaluation, and will commence an ESRC funded PhD studentship within CISHE in September. He is interested in psychological, social and environmental determinants of health behaviours, how these factors interact in determining behaviour and the development and evaluation of behaviour change interventions.

### **Susan Moore** *Postgraduate*

Sue is currently studying for an MSc in Social Science Research Methods prior to commencing a PhD in September 2006. Sue’s PhD research will investigate the impact of parental feeding practices on children’s diets. Her MSc is focussing on the rationale and sources of information that underpin parent’s use of pressuring or restricting feeding practices with preschool children.

### **Dr Simon Murphy** *Senior Research Fellow*

Simon Murphy is a Senior Research Fellow at CISHE and has responsibility for leading the Health Behaviour and Behaviour Change theme. A Chartered Health Psychologist, his work focuses on the social context of health behaviour and health inequalities. Simon is also committed to developing the evidence base for public health and has a keen interest in the evaluation of theoretically driven complex social interventions. He currently manages the Free Breakfast Evaluation, an evaluation of the national exercise referral scheme and contributes to the co-ordination of PHIRN.

**Claire Pimm**

*Research Assistant*

Claire's background is in Sociology and Psychology. After graduating she worked as a Housing Officer for six years. She then studied for an MSc in Evidence Based Research at Cardiff University. Her dissertation was on risk and safety consciousness. Claire works as part of the "Breakfast Club" and has primarily been going out to participating schools to collect data.

**Dr Larry Raisanen**

*Research Associate*

Larry is involved in the data collection, data management, and statistical evaluation of a large-scale Welsh Assembly initiative to provide free school breakfasts to children in primary schools. His research interests include the motivations and mechanisms by which people in different stages of their life-span use diet, exercise, and education to improve their health and well-being.

**Heather Rothwell**

*Research Assistant*

Heather's background is in midwifery but she is currently developing her interests in the field of health promotion and health services research. At present she is researching the effect of peer influence and peer selection on adolescent smoking behaviour. Other interests include inequalities in health and maternity services.

**Dr Christine Shaw**

*Senior Research Fellow*

Chris works across the Dept of General Practice and CISHE and leads the Service Delivery and Organisation theme.

She is a health psychologist with an interest in the psychosocial aspects of health and social care interventions, particularly in older people. As part of this focus, she has a particular interest in quality of life assessment and the development of outcome measures for use in research and clinical practice. Other research interests include self care and patient experiences of chronic disease, Carer health, and the impact of work stress on health.

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*Senior Research Fellow*

Michael Shepherd is a Senior Research Fellow at CISHE and the Director of South East Wales AWARD (The All Wales Alliance for Research & Development in Health and Social Care) which is based at CISHE. AWARD support researchers across Wales in undertaking funded research and undertakes work for the Assembly Government to support health and social care policy. Michael has a PhD in Social Policy from Bristol University. His main research interests are in public health policy, public participation in decision-making and community-based approaches to tackling inequalities in health.

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**Nick Townsend**

*Postgraduate*

Nick's background is in education, having worked as a teacher and as a contract researcher on educational research projects. He is currently researching the effects of school approaches to healthy eating on adolescent food behaviour.

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*Senior Research Associate*

Maria is leading the research in postgraduate medical education of hospital doctors. The aim of this research is to make a substantial contribution to the education of both trainers and trainees in hospital practice, in the section of postgraduate medical education and to the improvement of service provision.

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*Associate Director*

Gareth's research work has ranged from micro sociological studies of the experience of health and illness, through cultural analysis of disability, to macro-sociological research on health policy and social inequalities in health. He is now developing with colleagues new work looking at the relationships between economic regeneration, community development and sustainable health, with particular reference to post-industrial South Wales.

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