



Introduction from SRC Chair

It's been another busy and productive year for the SRC. We've been working to tackle our key priority areas of refining examination processes, and improving communications between registrars, SRC and FPH. We have continued to ensure the views and voices of registrars are heard throughout the FPH; we are an important group of members and we are the future of public health.

As always, the SRC has had a key role in increasing the equity and standard of training. It has provided a forum for registrars from across training regions to share their experiences, concerns and good practice in a way that benefits all registrars. This year this has included work on pastoral support, health protection out of hours processes, and organisation of regional teaching.

The SRC work is made possible through the voluntary contributions of registrar representatives throughout the UK who participate in Faculty committees, debate areas of SRC interest and lead on a whole range of projects. Their commitment and hard work has been invaluable and I wish to thank all 2018/19 SRC members, and FPH staff, for their contributions and support.

Emily Walmsley, SRC Chair 2018

Our purpose

- The SRC is a formal subgroup of the Faculty of Public Health Education Committee.
- Our purpose is to represent the interests of SpRs in Public Health from across the UK, ensuring the views of SpRs are heard at other Faculty Committees and external organisations where relevant.
- The views represented may be in relation to FPH policy, national consultations, business and project objectives, training, the practice of public health and to the maintenance and improvement of population health.
- We also facilitate networking across regions and sharing of good practice.

Regional representation

- SRC includes SpRs from England; Wales; Scotland; Northern Ireland and Defence Medical Services. Also reps from dental and unions (currently BMA & Unite).
- There are typically two representatives from each training region on the SRC who are elected annually or biannually.
- Throughout the year the regional SRC representatives aim to involve SpRs in the work of the SRC.



Get in touch with the SRC

To share a success, raise an issue or find out more about the SRC, please contact your regional SRC representative.

Our work in 2018...

Representing the interests of SpRs

- We represented SpRs on 17 FPH committees, including the Board, Education, Workforce, Health Policy and Ethics committees, and other relevant groups.
- We provided SpR feedback on exams to FPH, through collating and presenting feedback on Part A and Part B. We have raised concerns to the FPH about Part B waiting times, prioritisation and exam cancellations.
- We represented SpRs on the FPH membership task and finish group, clarifying the requirements of membership for SpRs and advocating for understandable membership fees and categories.
- We responded to consultations and FPH policy developments including; the impact of Part B cancellations, membership strategy; National Training Survey.
- Advocacy around UKPHR portfolio route- views of SRC heard by the UKPHR Chief Exec, on implementation sounding board and through consultation responses.

Promoting good practise & networking

- Supporting the creation of placements for SpRs with the FPH Registrar Projects Scheme.
- Representing SpRs on the education board and integral to the design and implementation of the new Part B exam application process.
- Gathered details of what good pastoral care for SpRs looks like across the regions.
- Organisation of the RSM Public Health conference "Adapting to a Changing World" being held in March 2019.
- Discussed regional practices in supporting those wanting to apply for speciality training.
- Collected SpR concerns around membership and responded by working with FPH on a membership FAQ which is now available on the FPH membership webpage.
- Collated feedback on regional variations regrading health protection opportunities and on call .

Contributing to FPH activities

- Major contribution to FPH induction event for new SpRs and induction pack.
- We are contributing to the second phase of the new FPH website which will allow online payments and improve the members area.
- We are ensuring SpR input into decisions around credentialing ensuring that Public Health is considered in this important development.
- We will be involved in reviewing the new 2020 curriculum.