

Faculty of Public Health (FPH) Health Protection (Training and Education) Special Interest Group (SIG)

From Inequality to Opportunity: Shaping careers and advancing equity in Health Protection

Training Day Programme

Thursday 23rd April 2026 – Virtual Event via Zoom

Time	Title	Speaker(s)
10:00 – 10:15	Welcome and Introduction	Welcome to the day
		Introduction to the HP (E&T) SIG
		Video message from Tracy Daszkiewicz - President of the Faculty of Public Health
10:15 – 10:45	Keynote	Dominic Mellon Consultant in Health Protection, Deputy Director for the Regions, UKHSA
10:45 - 11:30	Inequalities in Communicable Health Protection Facilitator: Pippa Simes, Public Health Registrar, South West	
	MPOx: Incident response and inequalities	Charlotte Bigland Consultant in Health Protection, UKHSA
	Asylum health	Kate Smith , Consultant in Public Health, Public Health Scotland Carrie-Anne Gibb Public Health Scotland
11:30 – 11:40	Break	
11:40 – 12:30	Trainee / Practitioner Presentations Facilitators: Lisa Kenney, Public Health Registrar, NHS Tayside Laura Stokes, Clinical Research Fellow, Oxford	
	Maternal and Childhood vaccine uptake in the UK: Lessons from co-production research	Helen Skirrow Academic Clinical Lecturer
	Impact of public health exclusions on cases of E. coli (O157 and non-O157 STEC) infection and their contacts in Scotland	Susan Thomson Specialist Nurse, Health Protection, NHS Tayside
	Environmental Public Health using a Health Impact Assessment Approach	Kristian James Principal Environmental Public Health Specialist, Public Health Wales
	Health equity in health protection	Tara Clow Health Protection Practitioner, UKHSA

12:30 – 13:15	Lunch	
13:15 – 14:00	Leaders Panel - Health Protection training and careers Facilitators: Abina Dharmaratna, Public Health Registrar, Midlands Matt York, Public Health Registrar, Wales.	
	Anita Turley Head of Acute Response / Principal Health Protection Practitioner. South East HPT, UKHSA	
	Joanna Garner Consultant in Health Protection, Public Health Wales	
	Will Welfare Director of Health Protection in Regions, UKHSA	
	Iain Kennedy Consultant in Health Protection, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde	
14:00 - 14:50	Inequalities in Environmental Public Health Facilitator: Pdraig Lyons, Public Health Registrar, NHS Highland	
	Inequalities in Environmental Public Health	Jessica Baker Consultant in Public Health Medicine, Clinical and Protecting Health Directorate, Public Health Scotland
	Environmental Hazards and Emergencies - How we are incorporating health equity	Emma Tournier Environmental Public Health Scientist, UKHSA
14:50 – 15:05	Break	
15:05 – 15:55	Inequalities in Vaccination & Immunisation Facilitator: Luke McGeoch, Public Health Registrar	
	Evidence of inequalities in uptake of childhood and adolescent vaccines in Wales and insights from public engagement.	Simon Cottrell Scientific Lead, Senior Principal Epidemiologist, Public Health Wales. Cath Courts Lead Nurse Public Engagement, VPDP, Public Health Wales
	Lessons learned from responding to the measles outbreak in Hackney's Charedi community (May-July 2025)	Anita Bell Consultant in Health Protection, North London Health Protection Team, UKHSA. Carolyn Sharpe Consultant in Public Health, Hackney and the City of London Public Health Team.
15:55	Closing Remarks	