



Due North - turning evidence into action on health inequalities

29th March 2017 10.00 -15.30

The Foresight Centre, 1 Brownlow Street, Liverpool, L69 3GL

This event will bring together policy makers, practitioners and researchers to identify how we can better use evidence to influence action on the priority areas identified in the Due North report:

- (1) Tackling poverty and economic inequality within the North and between the North and the rest of England;
- (2) Promoting healthy development in early childhood;
- (3) Sharing power over resources and increasing the influence that the public has on how resources are used to improve the determinants of health;
- (4) Strengthening the role of the health sector in promoting health equity. How can we better use the evidence we have and what other kinds of evidence are needed?

Programme

10.00 Registration and tea/coffee

Chair: Professor Dame Margaret Whitehead

10.15 Introduction and overview

Ben Barr, Senior Lecturer in Applied Public Health, University of Liverpool.
Clare Bambra, Professor of Public Health, Newcastle University

10.30 Ruth Hussey CB, OBE, Independent Public Health Consultant.

Can legislation help to tackle inequalities?

11.05 Dominic Harrison, Director of Public Health, Blackburn with Darwen.

Making a difference on inequalities in a time of Austerity.

11.40 Simon Bowers, Clinical Vice Chair of NHS Liverpool Clinical Commissioning Group.

Bottom-up! How can service redesign contribute to the first 1000 days?

12.15 Lunch

13.15 Matthew Brown, Cabinet Member for Social Justice, Inclusion and Policy, Preston City Council, and Julian Manley, Research Fellow

Psychosocial Research Unit, UCLAN.

How can research support local actions for tackling poverty and economic inequality?

- 13.50 Group Discussions – *What research would support action on the four Due North Priorities?*
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- 14.35 Professor Dame Margaret Whitehead, WH Duncan Professor of Public Health, University of Liverpool.
Using evidence to change health inequalities policy.
- 15.00 Due North Panel Response.
Panel Members: Margaret Whitehead, Ben Barr, David Taylor Robinson, Clare Bamba.