

About the Royal Society of Public Health

The Royal Society of Health, also known as the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health (RSPH), was established in 1876 following the landmark Public Health Act of 1875. Previously known as the Sanitary Institute (1876-1904) and the Royal Sanitary Institute (1904–55), it was created during a period of great change within the areas of public health provision and sanitary reform to which it contributed significantly.

During its first fifty years, the Society became the leading public health organization both in Great Britain and the rest of the world. It was soon renowned for events and conferences on pioneering and topical issues and developed qualifications for people working in public health professions. By the 1950s, the Society was a leading authority in its field, and was regularly consulted by governments and the international press on health-related issues. Since the 1970s, the Society has focused its activities on the most successful areas of its work - examinations, certification, and the journals Public Health and Perspectives in Public Health.

Today, RSPH is the longest-established public health organization in the United Kingdom. It is incorporated by Royal Charter completely independent of government and of any special interest. Members are academics, health professionals and practitioners who share an interest in promoting health through their daily work and come together through RSPH membership to provide cross-cutting, multidisciplinary perspectives on current health questions.

2021 Recipients of the APHA Honorary Membership

Christina Marriott, BSc

Christina has been Chief Executive of RSPH since May 2020. Previously, she served as the Chief Executive of Revolving Doors Agency. She has experience in both national and regional roles in the National Health Service (NHS) having led a place-based health equity program before becoming National Lead for Health Inequalities in the then newly formed NHS England. She has served on a significant number of Boards including the Ministerial Advisory Board on Female Offenders and the Reducing Reoffending Third Sector Ministerial Advisory Group (RR3). She currently sits on the Department of Health and Social Care Improving Population Health Advisory Group, is a commissioner on the Bright Blue Future Tax Commission and a Board member at Hestia. She chaired the Bradley Report Group and the Health Inequalities

Reference Group. She was a Visiting Fellow at the University of Southampton and a finalist in the *Third Sector Awards* Chief Executive of the Year 2019.

In her early career, she established and led a marketing consultancy for 13 years, before being tempted into academia working on health inequalities at the University of Central Lancashire. Seconded to health inspectorates, she was National Lead of the census of mental health inpatients that underpinned Department of Health's *Delivering Race Equality in Mental Health* program.

Dr. Jonathan Pearson-Stuttard, FRSPH

Jonny is a Public Health Physician and Epidemiologist and works as Head of Health Analytics at Lane Clark & Peacock (LCP) and Chair of the Health Inequalities Program Board at Northumbria Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust.

At LCP, Jonny leads a multi-disciplinary analytics team developing innovative analytics and technology approaches that cut through the noise of complex datasets and put actionable insights into the hands of decision makers across health and life sciences. Areas of work such as value-based care frameworks, quantifying co- and multi-morbidity health needs and service costs, and identifying patient groups with the most unmet need in order to prioritize resource allocation, will help to shift health systems from importers of illness to exporters of health.

Jonny was Editor-in-Chief of the Chief Medical Officer's 2018 Report *Health 2040 – Better Health Within Reach*, which recommended the development of a composite Health Index. This Index was published by the Office for National Statistics in 2020, and Jonny remains closely involved. His book, *Whose health is it, anyway? –* co-authored with Dame Sally Davies – repositions health as the greatest untapped opportunity for prosperity, happiness, and fairness in the 21st century. Through his work chairing Northumbria's Health Inequalities Program Board, Jonny is putting this approach into action.

Having trained at the University of Oxford, Jonny has been awarded multiple competitive clinical-academic research positions from the NIHR and the Wellcome Trust at Imperial College London. His research has two main streams spanning non-communicable disease epidemiology. First, using big data and simulation modelling of health, economic and inequality outcomes to inform public health policy. Second, investigating the increasing diversification of morbidity and mortality in patients with diabetes and other chronic diseases. His research has been published in leading journals, including the *Lancet*, *Nature*, and the *British Medical Journal*. Jonny is on several advisory boards and is regularly invited to speak on a range of topics across health.