



**Our Vision: To increase the standard, range and availability of public health training in the West Midlands, in order to improve the health of the region's population.**



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## NEWS from LfPHWM

We are currently developing the delivery plan for 2017/18. We have some exciting new events being planned and we hope to bring you more details very soon.

We have had a busy few months and organised the following workshops:

- In January we organised our annual **Healthy Ageing** workshop. The key learning outcomes for the event were to explore loneliness and isolation as a cross cutting theme and raise awareness of frailty, isolation and muscular skeletal health.
- In February we organised the **Best Start in Life** workshop. This year we explored themes of early help integration and mental health.
- Due to the high demand we organised another **Basics in Public Health** workshop in February.

**Here is a roundup of people's experiences:**

*'Interesting topics'*

*'Good balance of keynote speakers and case studies'*

*'Informative guest speakers'*

*'Good Networking and sharing information'*

In addition we have supported PHE WM with the following events:

- **Making Every Contact Count in Primary and Secondary Care - West Midlands**
- **Transformational Services for Homeless Young People in the West Midlands**
- **The Role of Health Economics in Decision Making**
- **Evaluation Workshop**

**All presentations can be found at :**

<http://www.lfphwm.org.uk/past-events>

## Public Health Excellence Conference 2017

Thank you to everyone who attended this year's conference. This year we focused on tackling productivity within the workplace. We had 4 plenary speakers and ran 5 workshops. Overall the event was well attended and the feedback so far has been positive. Please see below a few photographs taken from the day.



Stephen Munday Sue Ibbotson



Dr Justin Varney



All plenary presentations from the conference are available on our website.

<http://www.lfphwm.org.uk/past-events/648-13-03-2017>



### Other Future Events:

Our colleagues at the WM Academic Health Science network are running the below event;

#### **West Midlands CVD and Diabetes Event - Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/west-midlands-cvd-and-diabetes-event-wednesday-10th-may-2017-registration-29408617968>

*If you would like us to promote an event for you either to our stakeholders or on our website then please contact us directly.*

### Learning for Public Health Website



We have filmed some of our plenary speakers at the PH Excellence Conference and the 'Basics in Public Health' workshop.

You can watch these presentations now by visiting <http://www.lfphwm.org.uk/past-events>

Since the last newsletter we are sorry to announce that Helen O'Donnell has left her position as the Learning for Public Health coordinator and we wish her all the best in her next endeavour. We are in the process of recruiting to the co-ordinators post.

If you have something you would like to share with the wider public health community or wish to become a stakeholder email us: [administrator@lfphwm.org.uk](mailto:administrator@lfphwm.org.uk)

Check out the website, we are posting daily, so they'll be something of interest for everyone! [www.lfphwm.org.uk](http://www.lfphwm.org.uk)

## Networks

LfPHWM supports six regional networks. The aim is to support the wider Public Health workforce to enable interprofessional learning, sharing of local practice and promoting innovation.

### **West Midlands Alcohol Licencing Licensing Network**

This network is chaired by Dr Adrian Phillips. In February the network invited Leo Charalambides from FTB Barristers Chambers to discuss licensing from a barristers perspective. The session was well attended and delegates found it very useful. The next network meeting will take place on the **5<sup>th</sup> July**.

### **West Midlands Strategic Food Board Network**

The network is chaired by Stephen Munday and is responsible for the strategic development and co-ordination of activities that support a healthy, sustainable food system across the region. The next quarterly network meeting is on the **7<sup>th</sup> July**.

### **West Midlands Health and Planning Group Network**

The network is chaired by Deborah Harkins and is responsible for aligning public health and planning at a local level "to create and develop healthy and sustainable places and communities" in the West Midlands. The next quarterly network meeting will take place on the **21<sup>st</sup> July**.

### **Healthy Ageing Steering Group**

This group is chaired by Richard Harling. The purpose of the group is to support the healthy ageing priorities as set by the Healthy Ageing report for the West Midlands. The group hosted their annual workshop in January 2017. The focus this year was frailty and isolation. The morning presentations were around muscular skeletal health, dementia and Housing and ageing. The next group meeting will take place on the **19<sup>th</sup> May**.

### **Best start in Life Network**

The network is chaired by Liz Noakes. On the 10<sup>th</sup> Feb the network hosted a workshop which brought in colleagues from both public health and children's services. The theme for this year's event was around early help integration, mental health and how it can support a Best Start in Life. The next network meeting will take place on the **13<sup>th</sup> July**.

### **Consultant Network**

The network is chaired by Glenda Augustine. The next meeting will take place on the **11<sup>th</sup> July** in Birmingham

See our website for info:

[www.lfphwm.org.uk/our-networks](http://www.lfphwm.org.uk/our-networks)