

Our speakers.

We were delighted to welcome a distinguished range of speakers to our conference, A Patient-Safe Future, in London in September 2018.

Matt Hancock



Matt became the new Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on 9 July 2018. We were delighted to be joined by Matt who gave his first ever speech and policy statement on patient safety.

Margaret Murphy



Following the death of her son as a result of medical error, Margaret Murphy has been actively involved as a patient safety advocate. Margaret is the External Lead Advisor, WHO Patients for Patient Safety (a network of 400 patient safety champions from 52 countries with 19 collaborating organisations).

The focus of her work relates to seeing adverse events as having the potential to be catalysts for change as well as being opportunities for learning, identifying areas for improvement and preventing recurrence.

She promotes this viewpoint at local, national and international levels as an invited presenter to conferences, hospital staffs and students. Her area of particular interest is education as a vehicle to achieve sustainable culture change.

Viewed as a resource for including the patient perspective in a variety of initiatives and a range of fora, Margaret has been invited to partner and collaborate in the areas of

- Policy-making (Commission on Patient Safety & Quality Assurance and implementation steering group; member HSE National Risk Committee) ,
- Standard-setting (HIQA working group)
- Regulation (lay member, Irish Medical Council and serving on a number of committees),
- Education (Lectures to students - medical, nursing, radiation therapy, pharmacy, etc.)
- Research (Collaborator on EU Research Projects; Assessor final stage applications for NIHR funding).
- Conference speaker – often keynote (conferences, healthcare staffs, seminars, learning sets)
- Team member critical reviews.
- Designated as one of seventy ISQua Experts in 2012
- Regular invitations from Prof. the Lord Darzi of Denham to join an advisory group and participate in the Global Health Policy Summit, Doha,
- Member Board of Directors South/South-West Hospital Group.

SIR LIAM DONALDSON



Professor Sir Liam Donaldson is recognised as an international champion of public health and patient safety. He was the foundation chair of the World Health Organisation's World Alliance for Patient Safety, launched in 2004. He is a past vice-chairman of the World Health Organisation Executive Board. He is now the World Health Organisation's Envoy for Patient Safety, Chairman of the Independent Monitoring for the Global Polio Eradication Programme, as well as Chairman of the Transition Monitoring Board of this Programme. In the UK, he is Professor of Public Health at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Honorary Distinguished Professor at Cardiff University, Associate Fellow in the Centre on Global Health Security at Chatham House, and Chancellor of Newcastle University.

Prior to this appointment Sir Liam was the 15th Chief Medical Officer for England, and the United Kingdom's Chief Medical Adviser, from 1998-2010. During his time in this historic post (established in 1855) he held critical responsibilities across the whole field of public health and health care. As the United Kingdom's chief adviser on health issues, he advised the Secretary of State for Health, the Prime Minister and other government ministers. He has produced landmark reports which have set health policy and legislation in fields such as stem cell research, clinical governance, quality and safety of health care, infectious disease control, patient empowerment, poor clinical performance, smoke free public places, medical regulation, and organ and tissue retention. He has published over 200 papers in peer-reviewed journals and is author of a standard textbook of public health that has been in continuous print for 30 years and co-author of the history of the Chief Medical Officers of England. He has made many media appearances as part of his professional roles.

Sir Liam initially trained as a surgeon in Birmingham and went on to hold teaching and research posts at the University of Leicester. In 1986, he was appointed Regional Medical Officer and Regional Director of Public Health for the Northern Regional Health Authority.

Sir Liam has received many public honours: 12 honorary doctorates from British universities, eight fellowships from medical royal colleges and faculties, and the Gold Medal of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh. He was the Queen's Honorary Physician between 1996 and 1999. He was knighted in the 2002 New Year's Honours List.

Keith Conradi



Keith Conradi is Chief Investigator at the Healthcare Safety Investigation Branch (HSIB). HSIB are funded by the Department of Health and hosted by NHS. HSIB carry out up to 30 investigations each year focussing on learning, identifying themes and patterns and offering a new perspective on Healthcare Safety Investigations, occurring in England and after 1st April 2017.

Prior to taking up his role with HSIB, Keith was Chief Inspector with the Air Accident Investigation Branch (AAIB) between 2010 and 2016 and was involved in many accident and serious incident investigations throughout the world including the search for MH370.

Keith Conradi joined the AAIB in 2002 directly from Virgin Atlantic where he flew the Airbus A340 and A320 aircraft. He has been a professional pilot for nearly 40 years operating a wide range of military fast jet and civil aircraft. Keith maintains his Airline Transport Pilot's Licence and is currently type rated on the Airbus A320/1. He also holds a Private Pilot's Licence (Helicopters).

Professor Timothy Draycott



Tim Draycott, MD, BSc, MBBS, FRCOG, is a Consultant at Southmead Hospital and the University of Bristol.

Professor Draycott trained in London and the south west of England with valuable time spent working in France, Sweden and South Africa. He has been a Consultant Obstetrician at Southmead Hospital since 2002 and a Health Foundation Improvement Science Fellow since 2012.

Over the last 14 years Tim has led the development of a new academic department in Obstetrics and Gynaecology at North Bristol that is now recognised as a world leading intrapartum and safety research centre.

Tim's programme of work has been recognised by prizes from NHS Innovations, NICE, and the BMJ. Tim was also awarded Hospital Doctor of the Year for his intrapartum emergencies work. He has been recognised as a NHS Hero, and in 2014 he and the PROMPT team were awarded the Queen's Anniversary Prize for Excellence, followed by the International Prize for Resilience in Healthcare in 2016.

Tim is the senior clinical advisor to NHS Resolution in the UK.

Tim is an elected member of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists Council representing members from America, Australasia and the Pacific Rim.

Sascha Wells



Sascha Wells-Munro is has recently been appointed as a Maternity Improvement Advisor at NHSI in April 2018. Prior to this appointment Sascha was the Director of Midwifery, Obstetrics and Gynaecology at University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS FT.

Sascha has been a midwife since 1995, qualifying and working within the West Midlands. She has worked in many areas of midwifery, both in hospital and community as well as being part of a case loading team in 1996 following the publication of Changing Childbirth. Sascha has also worked as an agency midwife in many organisations to broaden and strengthen her clinical competency and knowledge as a midwife.

Sascha was appointed a supervisor of midwives in 2004 and completed her post graduate certificate at master's level in Advanced Midwifery Practice in 2011 whilst in post as maternity matron at Nottingham University Hospitals.

Sascha joined UHMBT in May 2011 at a time when maternity services were under extensive regulatory review and scrutiny due to failures in service and care provision which sadly resulted in several maternal and neonatal deaths.

Over the last 7 years Sascha has lead UHMBT Maternity Services from special measures through extensive and much needed transformation and change, which in 2017 resulted in CQC rating maternity services across Morecambe Bay as GOOD.

Sascha has also led her exceptional teams to engage with and listen to what women and families really want and need for maternity services, which has informed the design and underpinned all of the transformation of Maternity Services at UHMBT.

Sascha is an advocate and facilitator of co-design and co-production of services believing that women and families as well as front line staff are the best people to shape and design change and improvement in maternity services.

Sascha has also led the team to be successful in many national bids to improve the service, one of which the Maternity Communication Project is to be adopted by NHSE as a national tool for all maternity services.

Sascha has a passion for supporting women to achieve a safe active birth and has appointed the first two midwives with this title in the country, a post which is showing real benefit to women and fellow midwives alike.

Sascha is a strong advocate of continuity of carer and promotes and facilitates this approach to delivery of maternity care to support women and midwives to experience the positive benefits of this model of care.

Sascha has been involved in national taskforce work for the development of the Model for Supervision as well as contributing to the Better Births agenda following the publication of the National Maternity Review.

Sascha's new role is one of three across the England for NHSI and is predominantly to support maternity services across the country that requires significant change and improvement. This is to enable and facilitate change and developments to meet the CQC requirements for a GOOD rating in each of the five domains, but specifically safe and well led.

Dr Peter Young MD, FRCA, MB ChB



Peter is a consultant in Anaesthesia and Critical Care at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn. He trained at Edinburgh Medical School and subsequently worked in Edinburgh, Leeds, Norwich, Cambridge and Christchurch, New Zealand. He completed his MD dissertation in 2000 on Pulmonary Aspiration in Mechanical Ventilation.

Peter's research interests include preventing ventilator associated pneumonia and the development of medical safety innovations to prevent serious adverse and never events. He is the inventor of the PneuX endotracheal and tracheostomy tube and cuff pressure controller, a system which prevents pneumonia by eliminating pulmonary aspiration in critically ill patients and is being used in Critical Care units in the USA and UK and two of his safety innovations have won prizes at the National Patient Safety Awards and the Innovation in Anaesthesia Awards from the Association of Anaesthetists.

Peter is a fellow on the NHS Innovation Accelerator Programme and has contributed to the Accelerated Access Review and the Office of Life Sciences and NHS England's review of the Innovation Landscape. Peter has been elected as a Council Member of the Association of Anaesthetists and is the Royal College of Anaesthetists representative for the NHS Clinical Entrepreneur Programme.

Dr Maryanne Mariyaselvam MBBS, BSc (Hons)



Maryanne read her BSc in Neuroscience at Leeds University and subsequently completed medical training at the Norwich Medical School, East Anglia. She finished her Foundation Training in the Eastern Region and went onto a research post at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Kings Lynn where she led three regional patient safety projects across eleven hospitals in the East of England.

Currently, Maryanne is undertaking a doctorate in Patient Safety at the University of Cambridge. Her research interests are in the field of patient safety particularly understanding errors in the NHS, human factors, the use of innovation to design engineered solutions to prevent never events and serious adverse events and understanding the barriers to implementation of innovation in healthcare systems. Maryanne has published and presented her work at over 50 national and international conferences.

She has won the President's Award for Outstanding Achievement from the Royal College of Anaesthetists, is a fellow on the NHS Innovator Accelerator Programme and two of her safety innovations have been selected onto the programme and are supported for national implementation. Maryanne is also a founding fellow of the Q Initiative and is a fellow on the NHS Clinical Entrepreneur Programme, through which she is developing her 3rd safety innovation.

Bill Kirkup



Dr Bill Kirkup was appointed Chairman of the Morecambe Bay Investigation in July 2013. Bill has previously led investigations into the Oxford paediatric cardiac surgery unit and Jimmy Savile's involvement with Broadmoor Hospital.

His previous career highlights include:

- member of the Hillsborough Independent Panel
- Associate Chief Medical Officer in the Department of Health from 2005 to 2009
- Regional Director of Public Health
- worked on public health and reconstruction in Kosovo, Iraq and Afghanistan
- Director of Provider Performance Management at the Department of Health, Northern and Yorkshire, 1996 to 1999

He was made a CBE in 2008.