



As part of
HEalth Factor 2011

West Midlands North Health Protection Unit Conference

“Have I Got Public News For You”

Staffordshire University, Faculty of Health,
Blackheath Lane, Stafford, ST18 0AD
(For Sat Nav purposes ST18 0YG)

Tuesday 12th April 2011 9.00am – 4.00pm

This full day conference will provide insight and update into the challenges faced by professionals whose aim is to protect the health of the population they serve, exploring current threats to health and how these might be dealt with in practice. The talks will be given by professionals in the field of Health Protection and there will be opportunities to discuss best practice. This conference will particularly interest Health Protection Specialists, Infection control teams from acute hospitals and PCT's, Environmental Health Officers from the local Councils across Shropshire and Staffordshire, Water Company Staff and Animal Health related disciplines.

Delegate's fee: £20.00 and CPD points available.

Booking a place is essential as the event is organised on specified minimum numbers and maximum numbers of attendees.

To register your attendance at this event please goes to:

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Programme

- 9.00 **Coffee and registration**
- 9.40 **Welcome**
Professor Harsh Duggal, Director of Health Protection West Midlands North HPU
- 9.45 **What's new in Public Health? –**
Topical Update on current issues and challenges with Public Health
Dr Sue Ibbotson, Regional Director West Midlands HPA
Dr Aliko Ahmed, Director of Public Health Staffordshire PCT
Graham Hakes, Principle Environmental Health Officer Lichfield DC
- 10.30 **Changes to Food, Water and Environmental Microbiology Services**
Nicola Elviss, Head of Unit HPA Microbiology Services - Food, Water and Environment

- 11.00 **Changes to Public Health Legislation**
Kate James, Health Protection Practitioner, West Midlands, West HPA
- 11.30 **Coffee**
- 12.00 **Water Quality Regulations –**
'Water Quality Regulations: Water Safety – why do we need to treat drinking water?'
Ian Mitchell and Garry Boorman, Principal Advisors, Public Health and Standards, Severn Trent Water
- 12.30 **Private Water Supply Regulations**
Neil Adams, Consultant in Public Health, Staffordshire PCT
- 12.45 **Avian Influenza – Update**
Neil Wilcock, Veterinary Officer Animal Health
- 13.15 **Lunch**
- Short papers in Managing Public Health Concerns off the Public**
- 14.15 **The use of scientific and technical cell in managing the public health implications of a major tyre fire**
Dr Robert Carr, Consultant in Communicable Disease Control, West Midlands North HPU
- 14.40 **Responding to the health implications of an oil refinery**
Dr Nic Coetzee, Consultant in Communicable Disease Control, West Midlands North HPU
- 15.05 **Investigation of a cancer cluster in a local village**
Neil Adams, Consultant in Public Health South Staffs PCT
- 15.20 **Multi agency response to a residents concern of pollution in locality**
Dr Musarrat Afza, Consultant in Communicable Disease Control West Midlands North HPU
- 15.55 **Closing remarks**

For further details please contact the events co-ordinator: **Nicola Smith**
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