

## Public health in primary care working group

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The NHS 5 year forward view calls for a “*radical upgrade in prevention and public health*”. Primary care has always played a key role in disease prevention, from childhood vaccinations to promotion of health lifestyles. The aim of this working group is to encourage the development of innovative research at the intersection of public health and primary care. Research could cover any area including: prevention of disease and injury, health surveillance and health promotion.

The purpose of this group will be to facilitate new collaborations across SPCR schools, encourage sharing of methodological and clinical expertise and support the development of collaborative grant applications. Our objectives are:

- To identify researchers with past, current or future interest in conducting research at the interface between primary care and public health.
- To provide networking opportunities for public health and primary care-based researchers.
- To support the generation of ideas and discussion of research proposals – either through face-to-face or on-line discussion groups.
- To encourage collaborations and successful applications by members across different departments for funding of primary care-based public health research.

This working group is open to any SPCR researchers who are interested in helping us meet our objective. If you are, please email the leads:

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