



IPI

Annual Report
2008/2009





About the Interprofessional Institute (Health & Social Care) (IPI)

IPI is one of three Institutes in the SouthWest London Academic Network. Its role is to seed and foster new initiatives in interprofessional research, practice, education and consultancy in health and social care, across the three alliance members. It also aims to establish an international profile and to translate this research into continuing professional development programmes.

IPI's core values include: the integration of research, education and practice for quality services; inclusive approaches to understand emerging practices; a commitment to developing new approaches to practice development and working closely with a diverse network of stakeholders.

What activities does IPI offer?

IPI conducts a range of activities related to supporting research, as detailed in this report.

In addition, IPI sponsors a range of teaching programmes and an expanding portfolio of new courses, designed to meet the changing needs of health and social care providers. IPI also regularly organises seminars and workshops.

IPI is sponsoring the development of an interprofessional professional doctorate programme for health and social care professions, under the auspices of Royal Holloway (RHUL). Both St George's (SGUL) and the Joint Faculty of Health and Social Care Sciences (FHSCS) are members of the course development committee, and have committed to providing input into the programme.



Clearing House on Interprofessionalism

IPI is establishing a Clearing House on Interprofessionalism. Its purpose is to facilitate collaborative research projects by providing a shared base of literature (annotated bibliographies, literature reviews and lists of literature as appropriate) in generic areas (e.g. professionalism and interprofessionalism) and specific areas for particular grant applications. Four part-time Research Assistants (RAs) have been recruited across the three Universities to assist staff.

'One Community', the networking site established with SWan funding, will be used for the shared database and to enable discussion between members of different project groups.

RAs' Research Projects

Caroline Norrie (located at SGUL 0.6)

- **The Use of Validated Scales for IPE Evaluation** – for Dr Lynda d'Avray and the IPE research group.
- **Using Computer Visioning Methods for Conversation and Behaviour Analysis: a preliminary investigation** - Prof Mary Chambers, Prof Jan Fook and Dr Paolo Remagnino (initial small grant project and will apply to Leverhulme later in year).
- **The Nature of Professions** – Chris Howorth and Prof Jan Fook. To assist with a research project on lay perceptions of professionals (to apply for grant).
- **Interprofessional Practice in Aged Care** – Prof Vari Drennan.
- **Developing professionalism** – Dr Lynda d'Avray, Dr Kathy Boursicot, John Hammond, Dr John Spicer, Prof Jan Fook, Caroline Norrie - application to National Teaching Fellowship scheme, HEA.
- **Audit of the teaching of reflective practice across different professions and in interprofessional programs** – Prof Jan Fook, Dr Lynda d'Avray, John Hammond and others - application to ESRC.



Activities planned for 2009/10

Research Groupings

Research groupings in professionalism, interprofessional teamwork in child care, reflective practice and Interprofessional Practice in Education (IPE) will be established. An Away Day is scheduled for December 2009.

A seminar on professions and professionalism is planned for early 2010. IPI also intends to co-sponsor qualitative research seminars at St George's.

New Teaching programmes

Prof Jan Fook is leading on the development of a professional doctorate in health and social care under the SWan umbrella through Royal Holloway.

The course will equip practicing health and social care professionals to provide leadership in their specific fields, through enabling them to contribute to the development of their profession with original research and advanced practice. The aim is to develop practitioners for work at senior levels, who can undertake practitioner researcher roles in an interprofessional context.

Other activities

A partnership for research and curriculum development in Employment, Equality and Human Rights with St George's Trust has been proposed. A meeting will be held in November to draft the initial agreement.

If you would like to be kept informed of IPI's activities please contact Prof Jan Fook (jan.fook@rhul.ac.uk) or email: ipi@swlacademicnetwork.ac.uk.

Yenn Lee (located at RHUL 0.4)

- **Generic project on multi-disciplinarity, interdisciplinarity and multi-methods** - to supply concepts paper and bibliographies for all staff to access.
- **The moral climate in orthopaedic wards** – Dr Ann Gallagher, Prof Paul Wainwright and Prof Jon Gabe - resulted in grant application Feb. 2009.
- **A holistic study of professional practice** – Prof Paul Wainwright and Prof Jan Fook (to apply for grant).
- **Adult safeguarding and protection** – Prof Ray Jones (Application to Social Care Research Institute).

Urszula Wolski

(located at RHUL 0.3)

- **Core professional competence in multi-professional practice** – Prof Ray Jones (Application to SDO).
- **Generic project on interprofessionalism and intersectoralism** - to provide concepts paper and bibliography.
- **Interprofessional leadership in child care** – Prof Paula Nicolson, Anna Gupta, Prof Antonia Bifulco, Prof Jan Fook (for grant application).

Maria Psoinos (0.5 located at KU)

- **Ethnic monitoring in health services** - for Dr Eleni Hatzidimitriadou, Dr Christina Butler and Prof Ravinder Barn.
- **Domestic Violence** - for Dr Eleni Hatzidimitriadou. To assist with complementary work on interprofessional practice re. a piece of funded research.
- **Researching practice experience** - for Prof Jan Fook and others. To assist with application for ESRC seminar series on researching professional practice.



Social Science Network

IPI recognises that the contributions of academics with social science interests - irrespective of department - could be enhanced through a network that facilitates better collaboration and partnership formation. A network of Social Science Academics across SWan's member Institutions is a way of showcasing the potential social science contributions in the health and social care sector.

This initiative has been driven by Prof Jan Fook (Director IPI), Prof Jon Gabe (Professor of Sociology, RHUL), Prof Rosemary Deem (Dean, Faculty of History & Social Science, RHUL) and Prof Mary Stuart (outgoing DVC, Kingston University (KU)).

Members' details will be posted on the SWan website (www.swlacademicnetwork.ac.uk/ipi). To date, over 30 people have put their names forward.

Joint Planning with ILMH

IPI and ILMH have overlapping interests and will work together where synergies exist. Two areas in which we are already collaborating are the development of a community of social science doctoral students in health and social care, and a research group around issues of equality and diversity.

In June 2009, a research conference jointly organised with ILMH was held to initiate the Equality and Diversity Research Group. There were over 40 participants, including practitioners and researchers.

IPI Seminars

IPI has run a series of seminars throughout the year, several of which have arisen from Small Grant Awards made during the previous academic year.

17 July, 2009: 'The Melbourne model of IPE', led by Prof Gillian Webb, University of Melbourne, and organised by John Hammond (FHSCS), was held at St George's.

23 March, 2009: 'Partnerships and service user involvement in research' was the title of an SGUL seminar, organised by IPI and the Southampton Practice Research Initiative Network Group. International speakers featured.

8 December 2009: 'The moral climate in health organisations' (Dr Ann Gallagher (FHSCS); Prof Jon Gabe (RHUL), Prof Paul Wainwright (FHSCS)).

May 2009: 'Interprofessional Education', organised by Dr Lynda d'Avray, SGUL, Staphan Pelling, Janne Cressman, Linköping, Sweden.



SWan PhD Studentships

IPI has secured five SWan PhD studentships over the past two years: three in 2007/08 and two in 2008/9.

2008/2009

"The long term effects of stillbirth: continuity between early maternal PTSD and insecure/disorganised child attachment, and subsequent psychosocial adjustment in adolescents and parents." **Lisa Gabbarelli**

Lead supervisor: Dr Penny Turton, FHSCS.

Co-supervisors: Dr Antonia Bifulco, RHUL; Prof Patricia Hughes, SGUL

"The new integrated teams in children's services: An examination of professional conceptualisations of interprofessional working." **Rick Hood**

Lead supervisor: Prof Ravinder Barn, RHUL.

Co-supervisors: Prof Jan Fook, RHUL; Prof Ray Jones, FHSCS

2007/2008

"Variation in the meaning of 'race' and 'ethnicity' across the health and social care professions: consequences for equitable policy and practice."

Priya Davda

Lead supervisor: Prof Ravinder Barn, RHUL.

Co-supervisors: Prof George Ellison, FHSCS.

"Exploring the factors affecting the management of post-operative pain in children: A descriptive study." **Anna Williams**

Lead supervisor: Dr Alison Twycross, FHSCS

Co-supervisors: Prof Paula Nicolson, RHUL; Prof Jonathan Gabe, RHUL

"An Automatic and Accurate Segmentation of Thoracic Aortic Aneurysms from X-ray CT angiography." **Filipa Ferreira**

Lead supervisor: Dr Jamshid Dehmeshki KU

Co-supervisors: Dr Anna Belli, Dr Allen Britten, Prof. Dariush Nassiri, Dr Peter Bazira, SGUL; Mr G Morgan, FHSCS

Small Grants

A total of nine awards have been made over the past two academic years.

2007/08

Three awards were made in this academic year, each for £2,000.

"Professional power, identity, structures and cultures: bringing the outside in."

(Prof Paula Nicolson, RHUL)

Three seminars are scheduled. Andrew Briggs, (Psychotherapist with CAMHS in Kent) has been invited to lead the first seminar (Identity in multi-disciplinary teams), Professor Antonia Bifulco (RHUL) and Professor Ray Jones (FHSCS) the second (Authority and Leadership) and John Hammond (FHSCS), Anna Williams and Prof Paula Nicolson (RHUL) will lead the last seminar (Diversity). Practitioners, academics and post qualifying social work and PhD students will be invited, with the intention for the same people (approx. 25) to participate in all three sessions.

The ultimate aim is to facilitate research proposals.

"The moral climate in health organisations." (Dr Ann Gallagher (FHSCS); Prof Jon Gabe (RHUL), Prof Paul Wainwright (FHSCS))

A successful seminar was held on 8 December 2008. Speakers included Prof Jan Storch, University of Victoria, Canada, Dr Justin Waring, University of Nottingham, Dr Pauline Allen, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine.

Several further research meetings were held which resulted in a grant application being submitted in February 2009.

"Developing resources for interprofessional education."

(Dr Lynda d'Avray, SGUL)

A successful seminar was held in May 2009 with Swedish Colleagues Staphan Pelling, Janne Cressman, Linköping University, Sweden. Several research projects are being planned as a result.

2008/09

Six small grants were awarded in 2008/09, each for £1,500. (The FHSCS contributed £5,000)

"Cultural Capital and Professional Development Experiences of Migrant/ Refugee Health and Social Care Professionals" Dr Eleni Hatzidimitriadou, KU (with Helen Johnson, KU)



Small Grants, (contd.)

Following a literature review on the topic of professional development of migrant and refugee professionals in health and social care, a decision was made to target nurses, and social workers. Questions for the interviews and focus groups were then devised.

The process of contacting migrant/refugee and professional organisations, as well as colleagues in the Joint Faculty for the recruitment of participants, is now underway. Fieldwork begins in October 2009 and both interviews and focus groups will have been conducted by December.

The Equality and Diversity Research

Group (Dr Christina Butler (KU), Dr Eleni Hatzidimitriadou (KU) and Prof Ravinder Barn (RHUL))

The group launched a successful one-day event in June, attended by about 25 people from across the three institutions. Participants learnt about each others' research interests and discussed possible ways forward. A second event will be held in November, focusing on Knowledge Transfer Partnerships (KTPs) and members of KU's KTP Team will speak,

along with representatives from St George's NHS Trust. The first KTP with St George's is in the early stages of discussion.

A literature review on ethnic monitoring is currently underway. This will be published and should inform thinking on the development of the first KTP.

"Interprofessional perceptions of mental health in older Chinese people"

(Dr Sarah Li and Prof Ann Mackenzie, FHSCS)

The first research group meeting was held in September to finalise the group's application for ethical approval. Four out of five collaborators have been secured.

Informal contacts have been made for potential interested and willing Chinese participants both in London and local community centres (Epsom and Kingston).

"An inter-disciplinary approach to investigating abuse and trauma in offenders of serious violent or sexual offences to benefit practice"

Prof Antonia Bifulco, RHUL (with Prof Julia Davidson (KU) and Dr Gill Mezey (SGUL))

A series of seminars has been arranged. The intention is to invite an audience of around 25, including colleagues from all three institutions with relevant interests and expertise, and external experts, who could be useful collaborators or consultants on proposals and should add to the quality of discussions.

1. *'Scoping and reviewing offender/perpetrator behaviour and profile'* Lead Prof Julia Davidson, Kingston University, 25th November 2009

2. *'Measurement issues and lifespan risks and vulnerabilities in offenders/perpetrators'* Lead Prof Toni Bifulco, Lifespan Research Group Royal Holloway (Bedford Square), 13th January 2010

3. *'Samples, Services and interventions for offenders/perpetrators'* Lead Dr Gill Mezey, St George's, 24th March 2010.

"Portrayals of Professionalism in the Arts and Humanities" (Prof Paul Wainwright (FHSCS), Prof Kate Normington, Dr Neil Gascoigne (RHUL); Prof Patricia Hughes (SGUL))

Dr Neil Gascoigne, Senior Lecturer in Philosophy at RHUL, has joined the project. He has helped the team to put together a very exciting programme of seminars and associated reading groups around issues in medical humanities.

Dr Gascoigne and a colleague at RHUL have also obtained a grant through their Faculty to run some seminars. By joining forces, considerable extra value has been added to both endeavours. A draft programme has been developed.

Ultimately, these seminars should result in new research projects, illustrating how the IPI Small Grant Award scheme underpins new multi-disciplinary academic projects.

"Using Computer Visioning Methods for Conversation and Behaviour Analysis: a preliminary investigation" (Prof Mary Chambers (FHSCS), Prof Jan Fook (RHUL) and Dr Paolo Remagnino (KU))

Two literature searches have been completed (one on methods for behaviour analysis and the other for computer methods for conversation analysis) and an initial planning meeting has been held. The draft scripts and pilot coding will be completed in November. The pilot is to be conducted later in the year. An initial application will be submitted to Leverhulme before the end of the year.