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### MODULE SPECIFICATION

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Module Title:	Principles of Public Health	Level:	7	Credit Value:	20	

Module code:	NHS756/ NHS756D* *please see derogations section	Is this a new module?	No	Code of module being replaced:	
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Cost Centre:	GANG	JACS3 code:	B700
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Trimester(s) in which to be 2	With effect from:	September 16
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School: Social & Life Sciences	Module Leader:	Janet Gargiulo
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Scheduled learning and teaching hours	66 hrs
Guided independent study	134 hrs
Placement	0 hrs
Module duration (total hours)	200 hrs

Programme(s) in which to be offered	Core	Option
MSc Advanced Clinical Practice (Therapies)		$\checkmark$
MSc Advanced Clinical Practice		$\checkmark$
MSc Health Sciences		$\checkmark$
MSc Health Sciences (Healthcare Leadership)		$\checkmark$
MSc Health Sciences (Palliative Care)		$\checkmark$
MSc Health Sciences (Allied Health)		$\checkmark$

Pre-requisites					

Office use only	
Initial approval August 13	
APSC approval of modification Enter date of approval	Version 2
Have any derogations received SQC approval?	Yes ✓ No □





# Module Aims

This module aims to provide a comprehensive grounding to the professional and academic field of public health, providing the core principles and context to the programme route, through an introduction to the historical and theoretical context underpinning public health, key terms, concepts and the agencies involved and the development of a framework for critical understanding and appraisal of evidence based public health policy and practice. It will also act as a self-contained module for those students wanting a comprehensive grounding to Public Health concepts and principles.

## Intended Learning Outcomes

Key skills for employability

- KS1 Written, oral and media communication skills
- KS2 Leadership, team working and networking skills
- KS3 Opportunity, creativity and problem solving skills
- KS4 Information technology skills and digital literacy
- KS5 Information management skills
- KS6 Research skills
- KS7 Intercultural and sustainability skills
- KS8 Career management skills
- KS9 Learning to learn (managing personal and professional development, selfmanagement)
- KS10 Numeracy

At	the end of this module, students will be able to	Key	Skills
Describe the historical, political and conceptual framework		KS1	KS3
1 underpin	underpinning the development and practice of public health in	KS4	KS5
	the UK and globally	KS6	KS9
			KS3
2	2 Demonstrate critical awareness of the policy and organisational landscape of public health	KS4	KS5
	5 1 1	KS6	KS9
3 rele	Demonstrate a systematic and critical understanding of the	KS1	KS3
	relevance of public health policy and practice to addressing social and environmental determinants of health	KS4	KS5
		KS6	KS9
	Critically appraise published public health literature showing	KS1	KS3
4	appreciation of the underpinning evidence base involving different research methodology	KS4	KS5
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5	Give a comprehensive account of the knowledge and skills	KS1	KS3
5	5 required for public health practice including the underlying rationale		KS5



KS6 KS9

Transferable/key skills and other attributes

- Develop problem-solving and critical analysis skills
- Enhance knowledge of research and its relevance to practice
- Communicate effectively in written form
- Manage time, work to deadlines, and prioritise workloads

#### Derogations

Students on MSc Advanced Clinical Practice and MSc Advanced Clinical Practice (Therapies) will be registered on NHS756D and the following derogations will apply:

Any work submitted which indicates unsafe practice by the student, or which breaches anonymity and/or confidentiality, will result in overall refer/defer of the module.

There will be no condonement allowed for any assessment, thus all elements of a module must be passed.

#### Assessment:

Group Presentation: A critique of the historical and theoretical development of public health over time in a region or country of your choice with reference to a particular global public health issue.

3,000 word report: critical description of the main public health challenges in a country of your choice and a theoretical critique of the underlying causes, possibilities for evidence-based action, critical reflection of values and ethical considerations involved.

Assessme nt number	Learning Outcomes to be met	Type of assessment	Weighting (%)	Duration (if exam)	Word count (or equivalent if appropriate )
1	1,5	Group Project	30%		2,000 word equivalent
2	2,3,4	Report	70%		3,000

earning and Teaching Strategies:
Lectures
Group work
Student-led seminars
/ideo/audio-visual
Practical exercises
Directed study





## Syllabus outline:

- Introduction to public health core terms, concepts and principles
- Historical, philosophical and political development of public health
- Public health skills and competencies
- The NHS, Local Authorities and non-governmental sector involvement in public health
- Understanding health and the diverse range of causes, determinants and models of health
- Scientific and social paradigms underpinning public health
- Researching the evidence base of public health
- Key principles of Epidemiology
- Sociology of health and illness
- Health. Lifestyle and Risk
- Inequalities in health, social determinants of health
- European and national frameworks for public health policy and practice (e.g. Settings for health, health and the life-course approach)
- Communicable disease control, environment and health, risk assessment/management
- Health Impact Assessment

## Bibliography:

### **Essential reading**

Bartley L. (2016) *Health Inequality: An introduction to concepts, theories and methods* Chichester, John Wiley and Sons Ltd

Lee, L.M., St. Louis, M.E. and Teutsch, S.M. (2010) *Principles and Practice of Public Health Surveillance* Oxford: Oxford University Press

Seedhouse, D (2001) *Health: The foundations for achievement*. John Wiley & Sons, Chichester.

Skills for Health (2004), *Guide to the National Occupational Standards for the Practice of Public Health*, March 2004 <u>http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sites3/Documents/568/EnglishNOS.pdf</u>

Webster, C (Ed) (2001) *Caring for Health: History and Diversity*. Buckingham: Open University Press.

## Other indicative reading

Bambra C, Fox D and Scott-Samuel A (2005) Towards a Politics of health: *Health Promotion International* 20: 187-93.

Davies B.M., (1995) *Public health, Preventive Medicine and Social Services.* Edward Arnold, London.

Lupton D and Tulloch J. (2003) Risk and Everyday Life. London: Sage.

McKeown T (1976) The role of medicine: dream, mirage or nemesis. London: Nuffield.

Davidson, A. (2014) *Social Determinants of Health: A comparative approach* Don Mills: Oxford University Press Canada



Wanless D (2004) securing good health for the whole population. London: HM treasury.

#### Useful Organisations / Websites:

Reports etc. on policy and practice in health and social care: The Kings Fund <u>www.kingsfund.org,uk</u>

For current and recent activities by central government: Department of Health <u>www.dh.gov.uk</u> National Public health Service for Wales (NPHS) <u>www.nphs.wales.nhs.uk</u> Professional aspects of Public Health: UK Faculty of Public Health <u>www.FPH.org.uk</u> UK Register for Public Health

Politics of health Group <a href="http://www.pohg.org.uk">www.pohg.org.uk</a>