

CMF Public Policy update

The Public Policy team met with NICE (National Institute for Health and Care Excellence) in June to discuss their new draft guidance on the Termination of Pregnancy. We expressed concern that no guidelines are currently included that would ensure women have an opportunity to discuss other options and choices, or be told of alternatives to abortion at every stage of the abortion pathway. Instead, the emphasis is on making access to abortion even quicker and easier than it already is. It includes guidance on providing self-referrals for abortion; phone consultations; medical terminations at home at later gestation; abortions in 'a range of community settings' (undefined by the guidance), and guidance on maximising the role of nurses and midwives. The guidance also, incorrectly in our view, states that women must be reassured that abortion does not increase their risk of long-term health problems such as mental health issues.

A detailed written response to NICE by Philippa Taylor, CMF's Head of Public Policy can be found on the website at cmf.li/NICE_Abortion_gdln along with the department's other recent written submissions (cmf.org.uk/advocacy/submissions), on commercial genomics, abortion for fatal fetal abnormality and divorce law reform.

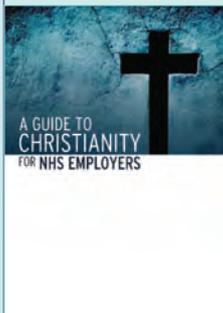
Members who would like to keep abreast of the department's work on current ethical issues and hear of relevant events to attend can sign up to our quarterly 'Ethics and Public Policy E-Newsletter' at cmf.org.uk/advocacy/enevs. The May 2019 edition of the newsletter can be found at cmf.li/2KqJYif

A Guide to Christianity for NHS employers

As Christians, we work in every part of the NHS, but in a secular environment our employers sometimes don't know how to deal with us. This brief guide is designed to help NHS employers foster a positive and inclusive culture in which all staff, not just Christians, can develop to their full potential and

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Members movements

Incoming

Elsbeth Paterson to the UK from Bach Christian Hospital, Pakistan (May 2019)

Elizabeth Howard from Malawi (August 2019)

Outbound

Graham Longbottom to the Solomon Islands (July 2019)

Obituaries

Professor John Edward Lennard-Jones (q 1953, Cambridge) was born 29 January 1927. He was Professor of Gastroenterology and Internal Medicine at UCH London, and founder of the British Association for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition. He went to be with the Lord on 29 March 2019.

Dr Anita Elaine Davies (q 1959) passed away in autumn 2018. She was a practitioner in homeopathy in Eastbourne and Harley Street and a key leader in Medical Service Ministries.

Dr Elizabeth Owen (q 1986, St George's).

Dr Verna Houghton (q 1955, Guy's) died 29 May 2019. Verna was a GP in Wokingham and to Team GB at the Sydney 2000 Olympics.

Dr John Gordon Cole (q 1958, Bristol).

Dr David Neden (q 1952).

Staff movements



Alex Bunn

Leaving

Alex Bunn, Associate Head of Student Ministries, after many years working with the Student Department, left May 2019.



Graham Crosbie

Graham Crosbie, IT Manager left July 2019 to join Samaritan's Purse as their new IT Manager.



Natalie Lee

Natalie Lee, Graduates Coordinator leaving August 2019 to join staff at St Helen's, Bishopsgate.



Steve Sturman

Joining

Steve Sturman joined June 2019 as Associate Head of Graduate Ministries for Pastoral Care.

Keep in touch

We appreciate information about members returning and moving or notices about those who are 'promoted to higher service'. Please contact Steve Fouch at: steve.fouch@cmf.org.uk

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Dates for your diary

SEPTEMBER

- 7 **Saline Solution**, Haverfordwest
- 28 **Saline Solution**, Conwy, North Wales
- 28 **PRIME: Teaching Healthcare Professionals: a Christian Approach**, CMF, London

OCTOBER

- 24-26 **RCGP Exhibition**, ACC, Liverpool
- 25-27 **Junior Doctors' Conference**, Hothorpe Hall, Leicestershire
- 20-27 **Sydenham (2) International Leadership Course**, CMF, London

NOVEMBER

- 9 **Scottish Conference**, Edinburgh
- 18-20 **Seniors' Conference**, The Hayes, Swanwick, Derbyshire

For further information on all these events, please contact: events@cmf.org.uk.

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