Invited Keynote Speaker - Biography

Session Details

Date  Thursday 25 September 2014
Time   10:20 hrs – 11:15 hrs
Title  Post LCP: Hospice at Home supporting patients at the end of life in times of critical decision making

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Following accreditation in Respiratory and General Medicine and a doctorate on breathlessness, he pioneered HIV & non-cancer palliative care from 1987-2003 at UCL Hospitals during which time he established the first NHS H@H service.

From 2003-2006 he had a portfolio of consultancies working with specialist palliative care services facing various operational difficulties in settings across the voluntary sector, combined NHS and Independent Hospice Services and in NHS posts spanning the community, specialist beds and acute hospitals. He is back in his native environment now in the NHS and community around Guy’s and St Thomas’.

As a leader and influencer, he was clinical lead for Palliative/EoLC for London from 2007-13; he has sat on RCP working parties reporting on aspects of palliative and end of life care and Prolonged Disorders of Consciousness. He advises various Government Departments on EoL matters, the latest of which is as the independent, clinical expert to the LCP Review led by Baroness Neuberger. He sits on various ethics committees, including the RCP, APM and NCPC. He is Vice President of the APM and takes over as President in 2015 and anticipates a busy time with the media over the next few years.

He is a clinical academic, rather than researcher and before gaining his professorship at the Cicely Saunders Institute, KCL, he was Senior Lecturer in Ethics at UCL. He has something over a hundred publications.