



North East Medical Sociology Group Seminar

‘First, do no harm: Neoliberal epidemics and the case against social policy malpractice’

Keynote speaker:
Professor Ted Schrecker, Durham University

Wed 18th November 2015, 12pm- 4.30pm
University of Sunderland, Gateway 2, City Campus

The North East Medical Sociology Group is pleased to announce details of the next half day seminar. The seminar on this occasion will focus on the timely theme of **austerity, welfare, politics and the effects on health**. There will be a keynote presentation by **Professor Ted Schrecker**, Professor of Global Health Policy in the Centre for Public Policy & Health at Durham University. There will also be a presentation and panel discussion led by **Professor Rob MacDonald** exploring the extent to which, when looking at topics like this, academics should be advocates rather than disinterested observers. A draft programme is set out overleaf.

The North East Medical Sociology group aims to provide a forum to foster collaborative working, mentoring, discussion, and to enhance the profile of medical sociology in the Region. Our events offer a lively and friendly forum, through which we encourage debate, discussion and networking.

Who should attend?

The conference is aimed at academics, researchers, postgraduate students and others with an interest in the critical sociology of health.

Cost of attendance

Lunch and refreshments will be provided on arrival. To cover our costs and to enable us to hold future events the following charges will be applied:

Academic staff and salaried researchers

BSA members £18; Non BSA members £22

Postgraduate researchers

Student BSA members £5; Non BSA students £10

Booking your place:

Booking is essential. Venue numbers are restricted and it is advisable to book early. Please book your place here:

<http://portal.britsoc.co.uk/public/eventBooking.aspx?id=EVT10462>

Full joining instructions will be circulated to delegates prior to the event.

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Programme

From 12.00	Buffet lunch and registration		
12.30	Introduction		
12.40	Keynote address: 'First, do no harm: Neoliberal epidemics and the case against social policy malpractice'	Professor Ted Schrecker, Professor of Global Health Policy in the Centre for Public Policy & Health at Durham University	
1.20	Questions to speaker		
1.45-2.45	Paper Sessions		
1.45	Geographies of Health Inequalities in a Time of Austerity: a case study of Stockton-on-Tees	Ramjee Bhandari Doctoral Research Associate Centre for Health and Inequalities Research (CHIR) Department of Geography, Durham University	
2.15	Europe's lost generation? Challenges to young people's well-being and the rise of inequality during the crisis	Lorenza Antonucci Senior/Research Lecturer in Social Policy/Sociology, School of Social Sciences, Business, and Law Teesside University	
2.45	Coffee/tea break		
3.00 –4.15	3.00	'Zombie slaying? The pressures and possibilities of real world research impact'	Professor Rob MacDonald, Professor of Sociology at Teesside University
	3.20	Panel Discussion: To what extent should academics be advocates rather than disinterested observers?	Experts Panel: Professor Rob MacDonald and Professor Ted Schrecker
4.15	Closing remarks		
4.30	Close – informal networking		