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About

Iestyn is a Senior Lecturer in Health Policy and Management, having joined HSMC from the Department of Health Economics in 2004. He is involved in a range of research, teaching and knowledge transfer work and has a broad methodogical experience and expertise. Current projects include an evaluation of a novel approach to public involvement in priority setting, and a national study of health care decommissioning.

Iestyn specialises in:

- Priority setting
- Health technology coverage decision-making
- Decommissioning
- Public value

Qualifications

His main qualifications are:

- PhD Health Care Policy and Management, University of Birmingham (2009)
- MPhil Cultural Studies and Sociology, University of Birmingham (2002)
- BSocSc (1st) Media, Culture and Society, University of Birmingham (1995)

Biography

Iestyn's academic background is in Sociology which he studied at undergraduate and postgraduate level at the University of Birmingham. Before joining HSMC, Iestyn worked in NHS management and prior to this spent five years in research and service development in the third sector.

Current projects

As joint head of the commissioning workstream at the Health Services Management Centre Iestyn leads a programme of research and development that has a national and international profile. This programme involves academic research, consultancy/knowledge transfer and bespoke postgraduate education. Iestyn also leads the department's work on priority setting and health technology coverage decision-making which includes research, teaching and a recent book. Current projects include:

- A national study into decommissioning in health care (funded by the National Institute for Health Research)
- A literature review on the relationship between cost and quality in health care decision making (funded by the NHS Confederation)
- Evaluation of 'REACH UK' – a deliberative methodology for involving the public in public health priority setting (funded by the University of Birmingham)

Publications

Books

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Expertise

- Setting priorities in health care

- involving citizens and the public in health and social care decisions
- the challenges of removing or replacing health care services and organisations
- the National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE)
- Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs)
- Health Care Commissioning

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