



Who Cared?

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PROGRAMME

FRIDAY 4th JULY

11.00am – 1.00 pm	Registration, Posters & Exhibitions (Common Room) Lunch from 12.00 noon Representatives from The Wellcome Trust will be available for consultation and advice about funding and grants.
1.00pm – 2.00pm	Conference Welcome from Bob Arnott followed by Plenary: Aneez Esmail , Professor of General Practice, University of Manchester <i>Discovering the contribution of ethnic minorities to the development of the NHS – Oral history and the development of identity and justice</i> Chair: Graham Smith
2.15pm – 3.15pm Parallel Sessions	<u>Professional groups - experts, elites and the public health service</u> Jonathan Reinarz , <i>Conversations with consultants: oral histories of medical education in provincial England, 1930-1948</i> Rodger Charlton , <i>The oral history of undergraduate medical education in the care of the dying at Birmingham University Medical School, 1930-1970</i> Iain MacIntyre, David Wright , <i>Perceptions of a life in surgery</i> Chair: Michelle Winslow <u>Therapeutic communities – voices and silences</u> John Adams , <i>The elephant in the room: physical and pharmacological therapies at Fulbourn Psychiatric Hospital, 1950-1970</i> Gary Winship , <i>Collective biography: the psychosocial and therapeutic community legacy of Annie Altschul, Hildegard Peplau and Eileen Skellern</i> , Matthew Bowen , <i>Dialogue and Play: relationship, good practice and learning among clinical staff in an NHS democratic therapeutic community</i> Chair: Craig Fees <u>Healthy encounters? Informal caring, service users and practitioners</u> Angela Davis , <i>"I put more trust in Chloe Fisher ... than anybody else, she was absolutely brilliant." Women and their midwives, c. 1945-1970</i> Humphrey Gyde , <i>Assisted medical decision making</i> Chair: Tilli Tansey
3.15pm – 3.45pm	Tea/Coffee
3.45pm – 4.45pm Parallel Sessions	<u>Professional groups - experts, elites and the public health service</u> Christine Ferris , <i>Oral histories of x-ray workers</i> Tilli Tansey , <i>Busy hands, hidden voices: an oral history of laboratory technicians in British medicine.</i> Sue Armstrong, Olivia Bennett , <i>A Matter of Life and Death: conversations with pathologists</i> Chair: Jonathan Reinarz <u>Therapeutic communities – voices and silences</u> Trish Thomas, Joanne Williams , <i>"The staff are making candles again": 15 years of therapeutic relationships and PsychOTic videos from a house in Bognor</i> Maddy Loat , <i>'Sharing the Struggle': an exploration of mutual support processes in a therapeutic community</i> Chair: Robert Wilkinson <u>Healthy encounters? Informal caring, service users and practitioners</u> Katrina Gatley , <i>"Mum had Multiple Sclerosis": Faulty connections?</i> Marian Barnes , <i>Caring Histories: lay carers' accounts of caring relationships</i> Chair: Robert Perks
5.00pm – 5.45pm	OHS AGM
6.00pm	Reception (Common Room)
7.30 pm	Conference Dinner in Staff House (optional – pre-booking essential)

SATURDAY 5th JULY

<p>9.00am – 10.00am</p> <p>Parallel Sessions</p>	<p>Professional groups - experts, elites and the public health service Jane Brooks, <i>'There's still the original wall, which was the workhouse yard': caring and confinement in geriatric nursing, 1955-1980</i> Joanna Bornat, Leroi Henry, Parvati Raghuram, Gail Wilson. <i>'Don't mix race with the specialty' (retired South Asian consultant geriatrician): interviewing South Asian overseas-trained geriatricians</i> Chair: Mary Stewart</p> <p>Institutional histories – more than bricks and mortar Val Wood, <i>The establishment of Nottingham Nursery Nurse Training Centre in 1947</i> Stephanie Snow, <i>Organisational change in the NHS: the Manchester experience, 1980-2007</i> Chair: Tilli Tansey</p> <p>Counter histories, challenging interviews Susan Kelly, <i>Time to Talk? Thirty-three interviews with tuberculosis survivors. Who spoke and who remained silent?</i> Malin Arvidsson, <i>'I was happy at Marklunda' – memories of a Swedish institution for pre-tuberculous children</i> Chair: Helen Graham</p>
<p>10.05am – 11.05am</p> <p>Parallel Sessions</p>	<p>Healthy encounters? Informal caring, service users and practitioners Michelle Winslow, Kate Walsh, Bill Noble, <i>Life stories in end of life care: establishing an oral history service in a palliative care unit</i> Erin McCarthy, Ha Luu, Neal Dandade, Charles L Bennett, <i>Veterans talking about life experiences – a pilot study</i> Hanna Ulatowska, Lauren Candia, <i>Illness stories in multi-cultural society</i> Chair: Cynthia Brown</p> <p>Institutional histories – more than bricks and mortar Annie Skinner, <i>Workhouse, welfare and watersheds</i> Kath Start, Carol McCubbin, <i>Who cared? The search for the quintessential elements of nursing at St. George's Hospital London</i> Chair: Julie Anderson</p> <p>Counter histories, challenging interviews Alex Mold, <i>Oral History and the Patient: interviewing illegal drug users</i> Wendy Rickard, <i>Longitudinal oral history research on HIV</i> Krista Woodley, : <i>"That's a sin in my eyes": setting the record straight - an oral history of HIV and Haemophilia</i> Chair: Verusca Calabria</p>
<p>11.05am – 11.25am</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee</p>
<p>11.25am – 12.15pm</p>	<p>Round Table Session: Witnessing Medicine? Chair: Jonathan Reinartz</p>
<p>12.15pm – 1.15pm</p>	<p>Lunch</p>
<p>1.20pm – 2.00pm</p>	<p>Plenary: Virginia Berridge, Centre for History in Public Health, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine 'Hidden from History'? Oral history and the making of health policy Chair: Joanna Bornat</p>

<p>2.00pm – 3.00pm</p> <p>Parallel Sessions</p>	<p><u>Healthy encounters? Informal caring, service users and practitioners</u> Robert James, <i>From “I ain’t going to that crap” to “it really felt like we were accepted and looked after”</i> Kim Lacy Rogers, <i>The turn towards caring: American Buddhist converts confront ageing, illness and dying</i> Graham Smith, <i>Unhealthy professional boundaries? Primary care team-working amongst deprived populations revisited</i> Chair: Linda Shopes</p> <p><u>Counter histories, challenging interviews</u> David Palmer, <i>Out of place: exploring Ethiopian narratives and oral testimonies into how the resettlement experience and traditional health beliefs impact on mental wellbeing in the Ethiopian community in London</i> Georgina Young, <i>City sickness: oral histories of health and ill-health in the Museum of Liverpool</i> Ida Milne, <i>The unforgettable forgotten remembers. Oral histories of the Spanish influenza pandemic in Ireland, 1918-1919</i> Chair: Verusca Calabria</p> <p><u>Professional groups - experts, elites and the public health service</u> Alan Pringle, Dass Musruck, Ramgopal Teeranlall, <i>An oral history of nurses who came from Mauritius between 1965 and 1975 and stayed to build careers in the NHS</i> Helen Graham, <i>Instructor, Day Care Officer, Community Support Worker: What’s in a job title?</i> Ronnie Johnston, Arthur McIvor, <i>Dust and disability narratives: using oral history as a source for understanding occupational health in twentieth-century Britain</i> Chair: Shelley Trower</p>
<p>3.00pm – 3.30pm</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee</p>
<p>3.30pm – 4.30pm</p> <p>Parallel Sessions</p>	<p><u>Healthy encounters? Informal caring, service users and practitioners</u> Ali Haggett, <i>Housewives, neuroses and the domestic environment in post-war Britain: individual perspectives</i> Maura Cronin, <i>Memory, status and survival: the Limerick City Dispensary 1930-1970</i> Chair: Cynthia Brown</p> <p><u>Counter histories, challenging interviews</u> Sam Sneddon, <i>Hysteria and Mayhem: The social and psychological impact of Polio epidemics in England in the mid-20th Century</i> Glenn Smith, Michael King, Annie Bartlett, <i>Treatments of homosexuality in Britain since the 1950s – an Oral History: the experience of patients and professionals</i> Chair: Robert Perks</p> <p><u>Therapeutic communities – voices and silences</u> Craig Fees, <i>“How do we know who cared? and what they cared for?” A life story approach to archives of therapeutic environments and the people who saved them</i> Carole Reeves, <i>Finding the Lost Children of Craig-y-nos</i> Chair: Michelle Winslow</p>
<p>4.30pm – 5.30pm</p>	<p>Closing Session: <i>Voice, Practice and Possibility</i>. Session will allow poster participants who are about to begin a project to discuss their projects in relation to the other Conference presentations.</p> <p>Chair: Graham Smith</p>