

Professor Sir John Strang – MBBS, MD, FRCPsych, FChAM, FRCP, FMedSci



Biography: Professor Sir John Strang is a medic and an academic and has an active interest in the contribution science can make to better public policy and practice. He is Director of the National Addiction Centre (NAC) and Head of the Addictions Department at King's College London. He leads the new theme investigating 'Lifestyle Substance Use & Harms' as part of the new Biomedical Research Centre (BRC) in Mental Health and has also been selected as an NIHR Senior Investigator. He co-Leads, with senior clinical and managerial colleagues, the Addictions Clinical Academic Group of Kings Health Partners AHSC (Academic Health Science Centre). He has been an addictions psychiatrist for over 30 years, and has led the group at the Maudsley/Institute since 1995. He has published >500 scientific papers in the addiction field and has contributed to national and international policy, chairing policy-informing committees and expert groups for Department of Health, NICE and Public Health England. He has worked with a range of governmental and non-governmental organisations and pharmaceutical companies to identify and study treatments potentially applicable in treatment of addictions and related problems (including new naloxone formulations). He has been named in patent applications re new naloxone formulations, and the university has registered intellectual property on a novel buccal naloxone formulation. For fuller information see <http://www.kcl.ac.uk/ioppn/depts/addictions/people/hod.aspx>