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‘NICE, Past, Present and Future’  

The first of ScHARR’s Pemberton Lectures, part of the Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health’s Lecture Series

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Wednesday, 7th September 2011 at 17:00 in The Octagon Centre, The University of Sheffield

A wine reception will follow the lecture

**Registration**

*Free admission by ticket only*

*Please confirm your attendance for the lecture and reception using the on-line registration form available from www.sheffield.ac.uk/scharr. Further details can also be obtained from Vanessa Rodgers, Personal Assistant to the Dean of ScHARR: Vanessa.Rodgers@sheffield.ac.uk or telephone 0114 222 5453.*
Professor Sir Michael Rawlins
Sir Michael Rawlins has been chairman of the National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) since its formation in 1999. He is also an Honorary Professor at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, University of London, and Emeritus Professor at the University of Newcastle upon Tyne. He has recently been elected to be the next president of the Royal Society of Medicine (2012-2014). He will be awarded an honorary degree by the University of Sheffield in 2012.

He was the Ruth and Lionel Jacobson Professor of Clinical Pharmacology at the University of Newcastle upon Tyne from 1973 to 2006. At the same time he held the position of consultant physician and consultant clinical pharmacologist to the Newcastle Hospitals NHS Trust. He was vice-chairman (1987-1992) and chairman (1993-1998) of the Committee on Safety of Medicines; and chairman of the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs (1998 - 2008).

NICE
The National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) provides guidance, sets quality standards and manages a national database to improve people’s health and prevent and treat ill health. It is recognised as being a world leader in setting standards for high quality healthcare and is the most prolific producer of clinical guidelines in the world. It also produces public health recommendations on how to help improve people’s health and prevent disease. These are aimed not just at the NHS but at local authorities and all those with a remit for improving people’s health in the public, private, community and voluntary sectors.

Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health
The Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health is a multi-disciplinary health sciences Faculty at the forefront of discovery and improvements in healthcare. Originating from the early Medical School in 1828, the Faculty now combines a broad range of clinical, scientific and healthcare expertise, dedicated to responding to national and global needs in human health and patient care. With 9 departments and 700 staff, spanning the spectrum of biomedical science, translational research, therapy and policy, the Faculty applies inter-disciplinary approaches to major diseases and health issues to create life-changing impact on society.

ScHARR’s first Pemberton Lecture will also be the first of the Faculty’s series of lectures.

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ScHARR
One of the 9 departments in the Faculty, ScHARR brings together a wide range of health related skills.

The School employs about 200 multidisciplinary staff from disciplines such as Health Economics, Operational Research, Sociology, Medical Statistics, Nursing, Psychology and Information Science. It also has clinical skills in Public Health; Emergency and Vascular Medicine; Rehabilitation and Mental Health and houses the NIHR Research Design Service for Yorkshire & the Humber and the Clinical Trials Research Unit.

ScHARR conducts applied and methodological health services research and the 2008 Research Assessment Exercise (RAE) confirmed it as the UK’s most powerful department for HSR, with the largest volume of activity assessed as either world-leading or internationally excellent among institutions returned to the HSR panel. The RAE panel recognised the esteem in which the School is held globally for excellence in health services research and evaluated the research environment as predominantly world-leading or internationally excellent.

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Pemberton Lectures
The Pemberton lectures are in honour of Professor John Pemberton a much esteemed colleague of several in ScHARR who died last year aged 97.

In 1933 whilst a medical student at University College London, John Pemberton and some fellow students organised first aid and relief for the Jarrow Hunger Marchers. Concerned by their condition he wrote an article on “Malnutrition in England” linking malnutrition to the level of unemployment benefits, and thus started a career and lifelong concern for social medicine and public health.

After completion of his medical training, John Pemberton worked from 1937 to 1939 with Sir John Boyd Orr on a nutrition survey of some 5000 British children. The original records, now the Boyd Orr cohort, are still being used today to investigate associations of childhood diet and health with adult chronic diseases.

In 1941 he started work as a medical tutor in the University of Sheffield Medical School working on vitamin deficiency with Professor Sir Hans Krebs (Nobel Prize for Medicine/Physiology, 1953). Whilst working at Harvard during 1954 – 1955, John Pemberton met Harold Willard, and together they started a club that later became the International Epidemiological Association. Two years later he helped found the Society for Social Medicine.

Professor John Pemberton, MB BS (London), MD (London), FRCP, DPH, FFPH. Professor and Head of the Department of Social and Preventive Medicine at Queen’s University, Belfast (1958 - 1976); Medical Tutor (1941), Senior Lecturer (1946) and Reader (1955) in Social Medicine in the University of Sheffield. Honorary Lecturer in Public Health Medicine, University of Sheffield (1985).