

Speaker profile:

Professor Ian Philp

Professor Ian Philp, Medical Director, South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust, will look at the NSF for Older People in his talk entitled *The NSF for Older People: what went wrong, what was saved, what next?* at GM's conference on 19th October 2011. For more information about the GM conference, see page 448 or visit www.gerimed.co.uk/conference.

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The NSF for Older People in England was published in 2001. Standards were focused on:

- Rooting out age discrimination
- Promoting person centred care (including a single assessment process for care records)
- Intermediate care
- General hospital care
- Stroke services

- Falls services
- Mental health in older people
- Promoting health and active life in old age.

Significant early progress was made in tackling age discrimination, developing intermediate care services, establishing stroke units in every hospital treating stroke patients, and increasing uptake of disease prevention activities by older

people in primary care. However, in 2003–4, a reorganisation of the NHS and new priorities in a re-structured Department of Health threatened to extinguish further implementation of NSF standards. In this presentation, the means by which the NSF was rescued and its lasting achievements are described. Three grand challenges are proposed for building on the legacy of the NSF.

Box 1: Biography



Professor Ian Philp joined South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust on 1 April 2011 from NHS Warwickshire (PCT) where he has led the PCT's work for Clinical Leadership in healthcare across Warwickshire. For the last 15 years Professor Ian Philp, CBE, has been the Marjorie Coote Professor of Health Care for Older People at the University of Sheffield and an Honorary Consultant Physician at the Northern General Hospital, Sheffield. Professor Philp was awarded the CBE for services to health care and older people in the Queen's Birthday Honours list last year. He was also the National Clinical Director—or "Tsar"—for Older People in the Department of Health from 2000 to 2008, leading the development and implementation of the National Service Framework for Older People. He is also currently the Parliamentary spokesperson for the British Geriatrics Society and an adviser to the World Health Organisation, and he has also passed on his expertise to governments in many countries on the care of elderly people.