

Questionnaire

UK COVID-19 Inquiry: Module 2 - Rule 9 Request to Dr Rachel Kwiatkowska - Reference: M2/SAGE/01/RXK1

Please provide the following information:

1. A brief overview of your qualifications, career history, professional expertise and major publications.

Qualifications:

2019 - Certificate of Completion of Training (CCT) – UK Faculty of Public Health

2015 – Masters in Public Health (MPH) – London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine

2012 - Registered doctor with a license to practise: GMC number 7148878

2011 – Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degrees (MBChB) – Liverpool University

2010 – MSc Molecular Biology of Parasites & Disease Vectors – Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine

Career:

Sept 2020 – Clinical Research Fellow, University of Bristol and
Honorary Consultant Epidemiologist, Field Service, UK Health Security Agency

Sept 2019 - Consultant Epidemiologist - National Infection Service, Public Health England (PHE)

Aug 2016 – Public Health Academic Clinical Fellow – PHE South West and University of Bristol

Aug 2014 – Public Health Specialty Registrar – NHS South West Deanery

Feb 2014 – Neurology Clinical Fellow – Southern General Hospital, Glasgow

Aug 2013 – Locum junior doctor – NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde

Aug 2011 – FY1 doctor, FY2 doctor – NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde

Professional expertise:

- Hospital clinical practice, including older age care and infectious diseases
- Infectious disease research – laboratory and epidemiology
- Public health practice in Local Authority and with Public Health England
- Health Protection - contact tracing and outbreak management
- Infectious disease epidemiology – surveillance and outbreak detection and control

Selected publications:

Gutierrez, V. C. *et al.* Monitoring occurrence of SARS-CoV-2 in school populations: a wastewater-based approach, *medRxiv.* (2021) doi: 10.1101/2021.03.25.21254231. (13th author).

Kwiatkowska, R. *et al.* 'Environmental screening for SARS-CoV-2 in long term care facilities: lessons from a pilot study', *Wellcome Open Research* (2021) 6:235, 6, p. 235. doi: 10.12688/wellcomeopenres.17047.1.

Linhai Zhao*; Rachel Kwiatkowska*; Jing Chai *et al.* Pathways to optimising antibiotic use in rural China: Identifying key determinants in community and clinical settings, a mixed methods study protocol. *BMJ Open* (2019) doi: 10.1136/bmjopen-2018-027819. (*joint 1st author).

Perman, S., Kwiatkowska, R. M. and Gjini, A. 'Do community pharmacists add value to routine immunization programmes? A review of the evidence from the UK', *Journal of Public Health*. (2018) doi: 10.1093/pubmed/fdy021.

RM Kwiatkowska, P Manley, B Sims, *et al*. Outbreak of group A Streptococcus emm94.0 affecting people who inject drugs in southwest England, April 2017. *Am J Infect Control* (2017) doi: 10.1016/j.ajic.2017.08.011

RM Kwiatkowska, N Platt, R Poupardin, *et al*. Dissecting the mechanisms responsible for the multiple insecticide resistance phenotype in *Anopheles gambiae*.sp., M form, from Vallée du Kou, Burkina Faso. *Gene* (2013) doi: 25;519(1):98-106

2. A list of the groups (i.e. SAGE and/or any of its sub-groups) in which you have been a participant, and the relevant time periods.

SAGE Social Care Working Group: 29/09/2020 – 01/04/2022

3. An overview of your involvement with those groups between January 2020 and February 2022, including:

a. When and how you came to be a participant;

I responded to a recruitment survey and was invited to join the group on 29/09/2020.

b. The number of meetings you attended, and your contributions to those meetings;

I attended the majority of meetings between 29/09/2020 and 01/04/2022 and contributed to discussions about evidence and situational awareness where appropriate.

c. Your role in providing research, information and advice.

I provided some input on environmental surveillance in long-term care and healthcare settings and joined discussions on case rates and outbreaks in care homes during the initial rollout of the vaccine.

4. A summary of any documents to which you contributed for the purpose of advising SAGE and/or its related subgroups on the Covid-19 pandemic. Please include links to those documents where possible.

Commission statement: *What are the appropriate layers of mitigation to deploy for Adult Social Care in the context of post vaccination risk landscape?*

5. A summary of any articles you have written, interviews and/or evidence you have given regarding the work of the above-mentioned groups and/or the UK's response to the Covid-19 pandemic. Please include links to those documents where possible.

I have not published or given interviews regarding the work of the SAGE SCWG or Government's response to the pandemic.

6. Your views as to whether the work of the above-mentioned groups in responding to the Covid-19 pandemic (or the UK's response more generally) succeeded in its aims.

This may include, but is not limited to, your views on:

- a. The composition of the groups and/or their diversity of expertise;
- b. The way in which the groups were commissioned to work on the relevant issues;
- c. The resources and support that were available;

The group's chairs and secretariat were enormously supportive.

- d. The advice given and/or recommendations that were made;
- e. The extent to which the groups worked effectively together;
- f. The extent to which applicable structures and policies were utilised and/or complied with and their effectiveness.

7. Your views as to any lessons that can be learned from the UK's response to the Covid-19 pandemic, in particular relating to the work of the above-mentioned groups. Please describe any changes that have already been made, and set out any recommendations for further changes that you think the Inquiry should consider making.

I don't have any specific recommendations for the inquiry.

8. A brief description of documentation relating to these matters that you hold (including soft copy material held electronically). Please retain all such material. I am not asking for you to provide us with this material at this stage, but I may request that you do so in due course.

- Email confirming membership of the revised SCWG.
- SAGE declaration of conflict of interest
- Draft copy of the commission: *What are the appropriate layers of mitigation to deploy for Adult Social Care in the context of post vaccination risk landscape?*
- Notes and correspondence regarding case rates in care homes during the first vaccine rollout.
- Personal notes from SCWG meetings.