



**Society for Social Medicine Conference
Randomised Controlled Trials
in Public Health and Health Services Research**

Tuesday 07 April 2009

St. Mary's Conference Centre, Bramall Lane, Sheffield

Programme

09:15-10:00 Registration/Coffee

10:00-10:15 Welcome

Professor Jon Nicholl, Director, Medical Care Research Unit, The University of Sheffield
Dr Cindy Cooper, Director Sheffield Clinical Trials Research Unit

Plenary sessions

10:15-11:00 What counts as evidence? Trials and other sources of evidence in public health

Professor Mark Petticrew, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine

11:00-11:15 *Coffee*

11:15-12:00 Trials of complex interventions in a complex environment

Professor Steve Goodacre, SchARR, The University of Sheffield

12:00-12:45 Issues in Non-Inferiority Trials

Richard Kay, Independent Statistical Consultant, UK

12:45-13:45 *Lunch*

13:45-14:30 Workshops

Workshop 1 - Avoiding Biases in Randomised Trials

Professor David Torgerson, York Trials Unit

Workshop 2 - Adaption in ongoing clinical trials: the what, whys and wherefores

Professor Mike Campbell & Steven Julious, SchARR, The University of Sheffield

Workshop 3 - Trials and Tribulations: towards better design and practice in psychological therapy trials

Professor Glenys Parry & Professor Michael Barkham, Centre for Psychological Services Research, The University of Sheffield

14:30-14:50 *Tea*

14:50-15:45 Workshops (as above) – delegates to return to same workshop as in before tea

15:45-16:00 Close of conference