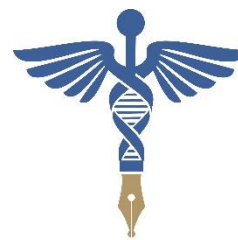


Investigations in health journalism: Covid and beyond

MJA One Day Symposium

Saturday April 9, 2022



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Final instructions and details

Time: First session starts at 10:00 prompt so please be at the venue at least 15-20mins prior to this to register

Location: Tait Building, City, University of London, Northampton Square, London EC1V 0HB

Please use the Northampton Square Main Entrance

Map Link: <https://www.city.ac.uk/about/find-contact/find#498711>

NB: You can only enter from Northampton Square NOT Spencer Street or St John Street

Registration: Oliver Thompson Lecture Theatre Foyer, with the first session in the Oliver Thompson Lecture Theatre

Wi-Fi: City Guest Wi-Fi Password: 3y1wrhuq

Social Media: @mjauk #mjauk22

What to bring:

- Laptop/tablet to engage fully with the workshops
- Water bottle to fill (although water and cups will be provided),
- Face mask and hand gel (see covid guidelines below)

Special Diets: Those who registered prior to March 31, 2022 and requested gluten free or halal please ask the catering staff as your sandwiches will be available separately wrapped

Nut allergy: We have been informed that the 'Classic platter' of sandwiches is prepared in a nut free factory so please ensure you check with catering staff as to which platters are suitable for you

COVID measures: We are asking all attendees to take a lateral flow test prior to attending and to NOT attend if positive or if demonstrating any symptoms of COVID ([current list of symptoms](#)). We are also asking attendees to wear face masks where possible and to be aware of others level of comfort with close contact. Please also pay attention to hand hygiene using hand sanitizer and hand washing prior to breaks, particularly the sandwich lunch.

After the event: If you wish to join speakers and other delegates we will be moving to The Peasant nearby for drinks after the event

<http://www.thepeasant.co.uk/>

Programme

NB: Printed programmes will not be available so do bring this PDF for reference on the day.

10:00 Welcome from Nigel Praities, Executive Editor, The Pharmaceutical Journal & Chair of the MJA, and Mark Honigsbaum, Senior Lecturer, Department of Journalism City, University of London (**Oliver Thompson Lecture Theatre**)

10:00 – 13:00 (including coffee break and Q&A) **Plenary session: Investigative Journalism** – Chaired by Mark Honigsbaum, Senior Lecturer, Department of Journalism City, University of London (**Oliver Thompson Lecture Theatre**)

Rachel Schraer (BBC): Inside NHS Test and Trace

Rebecca Thomas (The Independent): Reporting on mental health during the pandemic

Rosa Furneaux (TBIJ): How Covax failed to deliver

George Greenwood (The Times): The truth behind PPE contracts

13:00 – 14:00 Sandwich lunch (Oliver Thompson Lecture Theatre Foyer)

14:00 – 16:00 Workshops (the room numbers of each workshop will be provided on the day)

Workshop 1: Podcasting with Richard Hollingham from Science Boffin Media

Workshop 2: Data journalism: getting the most out of surveys and mass testimony investigations with Amara Sophia Elahi, Impact reporter BBC news

Workshop 3: Developing ideas and pitching with Emma Wilkinson, Freelance Medical and Health Journalist & Vice Chair of the MJA

16:00 – 16:15 Tea (Oliver Thompson Lecture Theatre Foyer)

16:15 – 17:00 Panel Discussion – Medical Journalism post-Covid – Chaired by Nigel Praities, Executive Editor, The Pharmaceutical Journal & Chair of the MJA (**Oliver Thompson Lecture Theatre**)

Panelists:

Rebecca Coombes, Head of Journalism, BMJ

Lawrence Dunhill, Bureau Chief, Health Service Journal

Catherine Jones, Health Correspondent, Channel 5 News

Sofia Lind, Deputy Editor, Pulse