

2014/2015

East Midlands Medical Sociology Group Event

On Monday 11th May 2015, the [Reproduction Research Group](#) in collaboration with the [East Midlands Medical Sociology Group](#) hosted a conference funded by the [British Sociological Association](#).

This conference included a keynote lecture from [Professor Joanna Latimer](#), Cardiff University on 'Repelling neoliberal world-making: ageing, dementia and irresponsibility' and two presentations from a recent PhD graduate [Oliver Williams](#), University of Leicester 'Health Inequalities, New Public Health and Area-Based Initiatives: Redressing Ecological Disparities or Placing Blame?' and a PhD student [Caroline Morris](#), University of Leicester 'The Practice of Cardiovascular Risk Assessment in Primary Care'.

Further information about this conference can be found by accessing the [event programme](#) which contains abstracts as well as contact details of the presenters.

The event was well attended with 33 delegates from across the Midlands.

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Researching Human Reproduction: Methodological and Ethical Aspects

On Friday 5th December 2014, the [Reproduction Research Group](#) in collaboration with the [Human Reproduction Study Group](#) and the [East Midlands Medical Sociology Group](#) hosted a conference funded by the [British Sociological Association](#).

This conference included a keynote lecture from [Dr Petra Nordqvist](#), University of Manchester 'Researching family sensitivities: Donor conception, secrecy and family life' and two presentations from [Dr Gareth Thomas](#), Cardiff University 'Everything's Data, Darling': An Ethnography of Screening for Down's Syndrome in UK Antenatal Care' and [Dr Juliet Rayment](#), City University 'Emotional Labour: doing qualitative research in maternity care'.

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The event was well attended with 38 delegates from across the Midlands.

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Egg donation in Europe: evidence from research, policy and practice

On Monday 24th November, 2014, [Dr Nicky Hudson](#), [Professor Lorraine Culley](#), [Dr Cathy Herbrand](#) and [Miss Jessica Davies](#) from [De Montfort University](#), along with [Professor Guido Pennings](#) and [Dr Veerle Provoost](#) from [Ghent University](#) in Belgium and [Dr Vincenzo Pavone](#) from [CSIC](#) in Spain,

convened an international, multi – disciplinary workshop on egg donation. This event was funded via The Foundation for the Sociology of Health and Illness Research Grant Development Award.

The event brought together established and existing researchers, early career researchers, and a number of stakeholders from policy, practice, regulatory and donor organisations in order to discuss the current state of knowledge of the provision of eggs in the European context. Presentations were delivered by a range of stakeholders including academics from three European countries, the UK, Belgium and Spain, practice, regulatory and donor organisations, clinicians and experts by experiences, generating dynamic and useful discussions around the social, ethical and practical issues arising from the provision of egg donation in the European context.

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On Wednesday 5th November, 2014, the [Reproduction Research Group](#) in collaboration with The [East Midlands Medical Sociology Group](#) hosted a conference funded by the [British Sociological Association](#).

This conference included a keynote lecture from [Honorary Professor Nick J Fox](#), University of Sheffield, on ‘Personal medical devices, micro-politics and materialism’.

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Twenty-six people attended the event. Delegates were a mixture of students, university and NHS researchers and clinicians from across the Midlands.

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