

Biography

Professor Kate O'Donnell joined General Practice and Primary Care as a lecturer in 1996 after working as an immunologist and then as co-ordinator of the West of Scotland Health Services Research Network in the then Department of Public Health, University of Glasgow. She is involved in both research and postgraduate education, including supervision of PhD and MD students.

Her research is concerned with the organisation and delivery of primary care services, particularly for marginalised populations, and the evaluation and routinisation of primary care policy into practice. She has a particular interest in the application of theory to research, especially Normalisation Process Theory and candidacy. Most of her work uses a mixed method approach and has been funded by the European Union, the Scottish Government, the Chief Scientist Office and the NIHR Service Delivery & Organisation Programme.

Recent research

This includes:

- Partner in an EU FP7 Collaborative project which seeks to decrease dementia risk in those aged 50-60 through the development of online tools to identify one's risk of developing dementia and offer ways of counteracting that risk ([In-MINDD](#)).
- Partner in an EU FP7 Collaborative project exploring implementation strategies to support mixed language primary care consultations in a variety of European primary care settings ([RESTORE](#)).
- Co-lead of the national evaluation of the Scottish Executive's anticipatory care programme in CHD, Keep Well, worth over £1 million over three years.
- NIHR Service Delivery & Organisation project examining the impact of the new GMS contract on primary care, sited in Scotland and England.
- Qualitative research exploring the provision of health care for asylum seekers, from the perspectives of both asylum seekers and primary care professionals.
- Collaborator in several UK and Scottish projects examining the normalisation of e-health technologies into routine practice.
- AHRC/SRC knowledge exchange grant to support ethical interpreting in health care. A series of short films can be downloaded free at www.gla.ac.uk/ethicalinterpreting.

Additional information

- Member of the Irish Health Research Board Interdisciplinary Capacity Enhancement Awards Committee, 2011
- Associate Editor, *BMC Family Practice* (2010 to 2014)
- Member of the Executive of the Society for Academic Primary Care (2002 to 2010)

- Member of Review Panel for Royal College of General Practitioners Research Paper of the Year (2005 to 2009)
- Review Panel, Chief Scientist Office, Health Services Research Postgraduate Studentships and Fellowships (from January 2003 to date)
- Member of NIHR Peer Learning Sets on Policy into Practice and the Normalisation Process Model

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