

Professor Sir Graham Thornicroft

Brief Biography

Consultant Psychiatrist

South London & Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust

Professor of Community Psychiatry

Center for Global Mental Health

Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Neuroscience

King's College London

Graham Thornicroft is Professor of Community Psychiatry at the Centre for Global Mental Health, Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Neuroscience, King's College London. He also works as a Consultant Psychiatrist at South London & Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust in a local community mental health team in Lambeth. He is a Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences and is a National Institute of Health Research Senior Investigator.

Graham took his undergraduate degree at Cambridge in Social and Political Sciences, studied Medicine at Guy's Hospital, and trained in Psychiatry at the Maudsley and Johns Hopkins Hospitals. He gained an MSc in Epidemiology at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and a PhD at the University of London.

Graham has made significant contributions to the development of mental health policy in England, including Chairing the External Reference Group for the National Service Framework for Mental Health, the national mental health plan for England for 1999-2009.

He is also active in global mental health, for example, he co-chaired the World Health Organisation Guideline Development Group for the Mental Health Gap Action Programme (mhGAP) Intervention Guide (1st and 2nd editions), a practical support for primary care staff to treat people with mental, neurological and substance use disorders in low and lower middle incomes, which is now used in over 100 countries worldwide.

His areas of research expertise include: stigma and discrimination, evaluations of mental health treatments, services and systems, implementation science, and global mental health. Graham has authored or edited 30 books and 497 peer-reviewed papers in Pubmed.