

Professor Steve Iliffe
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## **Biography**

Professor Steve Iliffe is an academic general practitioner who worked in a large socially diverse inner-city group practice in NW London for 30 years. He was the first Professor of Primary care for Older People in the UK.

His research interests are in health promotion in later life and in mental health, particularly dementia syndrome. He is Chief Investigator of the EVIDEM programme, a five year multicentre package of projects, funded by the National Health Service's research foundation, on community-based interventions for dementia. A member of INTERDEM, the European research group on early interventions in dementia, he is the UK principal investigator for an eight nation study of palliative care in dementia, running from 2011 to 2015, funded by the European Commission. His interest in physical activity promotions led to a large trial of exercise promotion for older people in general practice (ProAct65+), the HOPE trial of exercise for frail older people, and the EVIDEM-E trial of exercise as therapy for behavioural and psychological symptoms in dementia.

He was Associate Director for the UK national co-ordinating centre for Dementias & Neurodegenerative Diseases Research networks (DENDRON), 2006-15.