About the Royal Society of Public Health

The Royal Society of Health, also known as the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health, was established in 1876 following the landmark Public Health Act of 1875. Previously known as the Sanitary Institute (1876-1904) and the Royal Sanitary Institute (1904–55), it was created during a period of great change within the areas of public health provision and sanitary reform to which it contributed significantly.

During its first fifty years, the Society became the leading public health organization both in Great Britain and the rest of the world. It was soon renowned for events and conferences on pioneering and topical issues, and developed qualifications for people working in public health professions. By the 1950s, the Society was a leading authority in its field, and was regularly consulted by governments and the international press on health-related issues. Since the 1970s, the Society has focused its activities on the most successful areas of its work - examinations, certification, and the journals Public Health and Perspectives in Public Health.

Today, RSPH is the longest-established public health organization in the United Kingdom. It is incorporated by Royal Charter completely independent of government and of any special interest. Members are academics, health professionals and practitioners who share an interest in promoting health through their daily work, and come together through RSPH membership to provide cross-cutting, multidisciplinary perspectives on current health questions.

2019 Recipient of the APHA Honorary Membership

Professor Carol A Wallace, PhD, CSci, PGCE, FRSPH, FIFST, FHEA, MIAFP

Carol’s background is in microbiology and applied food safety. After graduating from the University of Glasgow with a BSc Hons in Microbiology, Carol spent 20 years working in the food industry; in food manufacturing (GrandMet Foods/Express Foods/Pillsbury), retailing (Sainsbury’s) and consultancy (RSSL) prior to joining academia in 2004. She is currently the leader of the food safety research group within the International Institute of Nutritional Sciences and Applied Food Safety Studies, a Research Lead for the School of Sport and Wellbeing and contributes to teaching on the MSc Food Safety Management Course at the University of Central Lancashire. Carol holds a Post Graduate Certificate in Education from Manchester Metropolitan University and a PhD from the University of Central Lancashire.

Carol is a world authority on HACCP, food safety management, and food safety culture with particular interests in food safety standards and integrity, including food safety standards and certification and Halal food chains, as well as food safety risk factors from farm to fork.
including production, marketing and consumer practice. She is keen to emphasize the food professional’s perspective on food issues as part of the multidisciplinary approach to managing public health, and the need to support groups such as SMEs, Farmers’ Markets and Consumers with guidance on how to handle food safely.

She is widely published in the field of Food Safety and HACCP and is author and co-author of several best-selling text-books on HACCP, which have been instrumental in guiding HACCP practice in the international food industry. She has advised many high-profile companies in developing and reviewing their food safety management systems and strategy, and has contributed to food safety initiatives for smaller food businesses.

Carol is the co-author of *Nutrition and Food Science*’s Outstanding Paper for 2018 entitled “Application and theory of planned behavior in purchasing intention and consumption of halal food.”