

JOINT SYMPOSIUM: *GOVERNMENT OFFICES FOR THE ENGLISH REGIONS, ESRC AND DEPARTMENT OF EPIDEMIOLOGY AND PUBLIC HEALTH*

UCL 8th July 2009

Sickness Absence: From Understanding to Good Practice

Old Refectory, Gower Street, London WC1E 6BT

9-40am – 10-10am: **Registration**

10-10am – 10-15am: **Formal Welcome** – Allan Salisbury

10-15am – 10-35am: **Opening address** Joe Montgomery, Director General Regions and Communities

10-35am – 11-40am: **Session I: In Sickness and in Health**

Presentations: Jenny Head ‘General aspects of sickness absence’
 Hugo Westerlund ‘Leadership and sickness absence’
 ‘Best in Class’ examples of good practice plus Q&A session

11-40am – 12noon: **Break**

12noon – 12-50pm: **Session II: Workplace stressors; effects on health and sickness absence**

Presentations: Mika Kivimaki ‘Major downsizing in the public sector’
 Jane Ferrie ‘Workplace stressors and health’

12-50pm – 1pm: **Summing Up** – Allan Salisbury

1-10pm – 2-10pm: Buffet Lunch – Old Refectory

2-10pm – 3-10pm: **World Café Session – Old Refectory**

3-10pm – 3-15pm: **Closing remarks and Evaluation**

