



*International Conference*  
**Global Determinants of Health and Wellbeing: Poverty and Social Deprivation in an unstable world**

**4<sup>th</sup> June 2026: 9.30-17.00**

Location: **University College London, UCL**

### **Aims**

This conference is part of a series which aims to explore the interconnected and interdependent factors which contribute to health and wellbeing, or lack of it, across society. This will be explored by experts from a variety of perspectives with a focus on *poverty and social deprivation, the immediate and longer-term needs of people in transition and social justice*.

The conference provides opportunities to share discussions at local, national and international levels with practitioners, service managers and policy makers within an academic arena and the Salvation Army.

The conference is supported by Bristol University Press with respect to the *Social Determinants of Health* framework, a World Health Organisation *Conceptual Framework for Action on the Social Determinants of Health*, the outcome of a WHO Commission chaired by Professor Sir Michael Marmot.

**Please note: Presenter slides and notes will be made available online after the conference.**

### **Registration 9.00-9.45**

9.45 Welcome from UCL-Vice Provost

Welcome from The Salvation Army-Commissioner Cedric Hills International Leader for Europe

Conference Chair Olly Thorp Director of Research and Development, The Salvation Army

### **Keynote Speakers**

10.00 Professor Sir Michael Marmot, Institute of Health Equity, UCL

10.25 Professor Nicholas Pleace, School for Business and Society, University of York

10.50 Break

11.00 Commissioner Christine MacMillan, Founder TSA International Social Justice Council, UN Multifaith Advisory Council, UNICEF Envoy

11.20 Dr Josiah Kaplan, UNICEF Innocenti, Italy

11.40 Professor Nathan Davies, University College London, Head of Head of Education, Division of Medicine, UCL

12.00 Global Determinants of Health and Wellbeing: Introduction to the Discussion Panels. Professor Adrian Bonner, Editor for Social Determinants of Health Series, Bristol University Press

**12.30 Lunch break** \* Food vouchers provided from arrival at reception for use in the Wilkins Refectory

**12.30-17.00** Posters available for viewing at the back of the main lecture theatre

**14.00-16.00 Panel Discussions**

**Panel A Poverty Social Deprivation and inequalities**

*Location:* Gustave Tuck Theatre

*Chair:* Caroline Monkhouse Flower, CEO Feast with Us,

*Host:* Olly Thorp

*Panel members*

- **Procurement and Social value** Professor Richard Simmons, Public policy, University of Stirling
- **Food, nutrition and poverty** Dr Megan Blake, Department of Geography and Planning University of Sheffield
- **Poverty Global: A TSA perspective** Lt Colonel Ian Gainsford, Director International Social Justice Commission, New York
- **Health Inequalities:** Dr Jessica Allen, Deputy Director of the Institute of Health Equity

**Panel B Children and Young people**

*Location:* Lecture room 1, Cruciform building

*Chair:* Professor Emma Tomalin, Centre for Religion in Public Life, University of Leeds

*Host:* Dr Edward Graham-Hyde Assistant Director (Research) Research and Development

*Panel members*

- **Homeless Children** Dr Rosalie Warnock, Kings College London
- **Children's experiences of digital online environments** Dr Josie Hamper, University of Oxford
- **Child criminal exploitation- A trauma-informed reconceptualization** Dr Beth Darby Wilberforce Institute, University of Hull.
- **Children, Poverty and social deprivation: An international perspective.** Commissioner Christine MacMillan, founder TSA International Social Justice Council, UN Multifaith Advisory Council, UNICEF Envoy

**Panel C Health, wellbeing inequalities in the community.**

*Chair* Major Richard Bradbury, Secretary for Mission, The Salvation Army, UK and Ireland

*Location:* Lecture room 2, Cruciform building

*Host:* Martin Williams Assistant Director (Development) Research and Development

*Panel members*

- **Adverse Childhood Experiences: Psychological trauma-based approaches.** Lee Ball, TSA Addiction Services
- **Ageing: A global perspective** Dr Maribeth Swanson, Chair, Social Services Commission, USA

- **AI and Mental Health**, Dr Prenika Anand, Department of Computing, University of York
- **Nutrition and homelessness** Professor Anastasia Kalea, Department of Nutrition UCL
- **Food security, community development and Health** Lieutenant, Dr Marco Herrar, International Health Services Coordinator, TSA
- **Behavioural Change-Health and wellbeing**, Dr Elise Crayton, Centre for Behavioural Change (CBC) UCL,

## 16.00-17.00 Closing-Plenary event, Cruciform Building

Lecture room 1, Olly Thorp and Panel Chairs

## How to get to the Conference Venue

*Nearest stations:*

Euston Square [Hammersmith and City, Metropolitan and Circle Lines] Warren Street [Victoria and Northern Lines], Russell Square [Piccadilly Line], Euston [Main Line, Victoria and Northern Lines]

## Conference Venue UCL Cruciform Building-

Gower Street, London WC1E 6BT

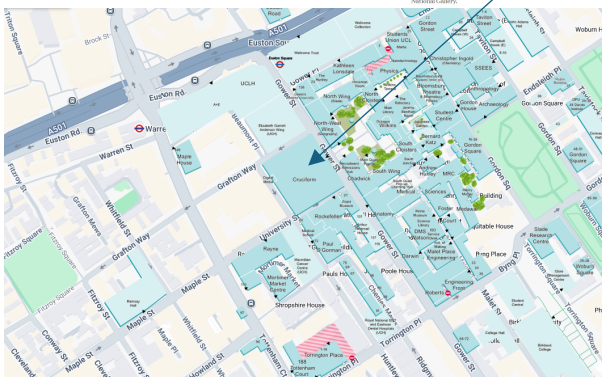
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University College London (UCL), 2026



The facelift is one of several legacy projects planned by the UK's second largest university which are intended to mark its bicentenary in 2026. BDP is carrying out MEP engineering, sustainability, acoustics and civil and structural engineering across the bicentenary project

includes the central Wilkins building, designed in the 1850s by one of the most famous architects of the Victorian era, Sir George Gilbert Scott, who also designed the National Gallery.



## About the contributors

**Commissioner Cedric Hills** is Secretary for Europe, The Salvation Army. Commissioned as a Salvation Army officer in 1986, his international humanitarian experience began in 1996. Whilst managing a welfare centre for NATO troops serving in Sarejevo, he was tasked to establish an emergency feeding and winterisation programme for families impacted by the Bosnian war in the small village of Sipovo. Witnessing at first-hand the impact of war and conflict had a profound impact upon him. Further emergency management deployments to conflict zones included the Republic of Georgia, Afghanistan, Albania & Kosovo and Iraq. In his current role, he has oversight of TSA activities in the 34 countries of The Salvation Army's Europe Zone, including the UK, Russia, Germany, the Netherlands, Finland, Switzerland, France, Norway, Sweden, Austria, Iceland, Greece, and Spain. He holds a BA (hons) in Theology and Ministry.

**Olly Thorp** is Director for Research and Development at the Salvation Army, having previously held roles around project and relationship management and youth and community work, with both local and national remits for Salvation Army and the Scout Association. Olly and his wife Kathryn are currently exploring small-scale expressions of church that can be accessible to a variety of people across the neuro-spectrum and is passionate about the outdoors and all the good it brings.

**Sir Michael Marmot** has been Professor of Epidemiology at University College London since 1985 and is Director of the UCL Institute of Health Equity. He is the author of *The Health Gap: the challenge of an unequal world* (Bloomsbury: 2015), and *Status Syndrome* (Bloomsbury: 2004). Marmot has led research groups on health inequalities for 50 years. He chaired the WHO Commission on Social Determinants of Health, WHO Regional Commissions, and reviews on tackling health inequality for governments in the UK. He served as President of the British Medical Association (BMA) in 2010-2011, and as President of the World Medical Association in 2015. He was a member of the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution for six years and in 2000 he was knighted by Her Majesty The Queen, for services to epidemiology and the understanding of health inequalities and was appointed a Companion of Honour for services to public health in the King's 2023 New Year Honours.

**Dr. Josiah Kaplan** has worked for more than 15 years as a humanitarian research and knowledge management specialist with specific focus on issues related to mixed migration, conflict, child rights, and civil military coordination across INGO sector and UN system and academia. He currently serves as child protection specialist with UNICEF's Office of Research based in Florence, Italy. Prior to this role, Josiah has led a variety of research and practitioner functions across the aid sector, including as senior research and innovation advisor for Save the Children, International Migration and Displacement Initiative, (MDI), as senior research advisor on humanitarian evidence for Save the Children, UK's Humanitarian Innovation Fund, and Research for Health in Humanitarian Crises, (R2HC). As a researcher for the University of Oxford Refugee Studies Centre's Humanitarian Innovation Project and in a wide range of consultant roles with INGOs, UN agencies, and think tanks. He is an American citizen and holds a master's and PhD from Saint Cross College, University of Oxford, as well as an undergraduate degree from Dartmouth College.

**Commissioner Christine McMillan** has been a Salvation Army officer in Canada and Bermuda, Australia, England, Papua New Guinea, and the USA, roles which included the denominational leader in three of these countries. Trained and accredited as a counsellor, she has founded

various centres and programmes in the fields of addiction, domestic violence, and homelessness. Christine is the founding director of *The Salvation Army International Social Justice Commission* (ISJC), the senior advisor for social justice for the World Evangelical Alliance, and while associate secretary general for public engagement for the World Evangelical Alliance, oversaw the work of its United Nation teams in Geneva and New York in the fields of refugees, climate change, humanitarian advocacy, peace and reconciliation, human trafficking, and healing and health. Appointed by the UN to its Multifaith Advisory Council, she is a global envoy with UNICEF and past co-president of Religions for Peace and the recipient of two honorary doctorates.

**Professor Nathan Davies** is a leading Liver Disease and Nutrition researcher, Nathan Davies is a Professor of Biochemistry at the UCL Faculty of Medical Science, #1 in London and #6 in the world for Medicine. He has published over 200 peer reviewed publications and over 350 articles in total,

In addition to his research work in Liver Disease and Nutrition, Nathan is both the Head of Education for the world leading UCL Division of Medicine and the Director of Nutrition Education. Under Nathan's leadership Nutrition has become one of the fastest growing areas of study at UCL. Nathan is also a registered nutritionist with The Association for Nutrition and a Senior Fellow of the Higher Education Academy.

He has appeared on a wide variety of major news programs, newspapers and websites. As a highly cited liver disease and nutrition researcher, he has provided an expert view on a wide range of topics around nutrition.

**Professor Nicholas Pleace**, (University of York)

Nicholas Pleace is a Professor of Housing and Society at the School for Business and Society (SBS) at the University of York. He is currently Associate Dean of School for Research and Impact at SBS. Nicholas is a longstanding member of the European Observatory on Homelessness, operating under the auspices of FEANTSA, the European Federation of Homelessness Organisations. He was previously Director of the Centre for Housing Policy (CHP) at the University of York.

**Professor Adrian Bonner** is an honorary Professor in the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Stirling, and Consultant in Community-based research for the Salvation Army. Adrian's early research was concerned with neurobiological aspects of alcohol, as reflected in publications and teaching activities in the 1990s at the Universities of Surrey and Kent. At this time, he became Chairman of the Congress of the European Society for Biomedical Research into Alcohol. *Social exclusion and the way out: An individual and community response to human social dysfunction* (Bonner, 2006) provided the basis for research into *The Seeds of Exclusion* (Bonner et al, 2008), a major report that continues to influence Salvation Army strategic planning. These activities were undertaken while he was a Reader at the University of Kent.

Building on academic research published in approximately 100 journal articles, Adrian founded and is editor of the Bristol University Press series on *Social Determinants of Health*. The fourth volume in the series, *Social Determinants of Health in Europe: Direct and Indirect Consequences of War; The wicked issues of War-SDH4* was published in December 2024.

## Panel Discussions

### Panel A

#### Poverty Social Deprivation and inequalities

*Chair* **Caroline Monkhouse Flower** is CEO of a London-based charity FEAST With Us, which aims to improve the nutrition, health and wellbeing of people experiencing poverty and food insecurity.

FEAST works at the intersection of food, community and social impact through delivery of inclusive and accessible nutritious community meals, healthy eating education programmes and research into nutrition within vulnerable groups, working in partnership with other charities and local authorities.

Caroline is passionate about creating community-based and co-designed initiatives that empower people to change dietary behaviours, improve long-term health outcomes while fostering social connection and resilience.

Caroline joined FEAST With Us in 2022 as Chair of the Board of Trustees and was appointed CEO in 2023. She began her career as a food buyer and has over 15 years' experience working in food and nutrition in a variety of organisations and roles, as well as 10 years working in management consulting.

*Host* **Olly Thorp** is Director for Research and Development at the Salvation Army, having previously held roles around project and relationship management and youth and community work, with both local and national remits for Salvation Army and the Scout Association. Olly and his wife Kathryn are currently exploring small-scale expressions of church that can be accessible to a variety of people across the neuro-spectrum and is passionate about the outdoors and all the good it brings.

#### *Panel members*

**Richard Simmons** is Honorary Professor in Public and Social Policy at the University of Stirling. His research includes major projects in user and community engagement, the governance and delivery of public services, and multi-sectoral partnership working in a range of local, regional, national and international contexts. Much of this research has sought innovative approaches to help navigate 'wicked' issues and address grand challenges, linking academia, policy and practice. His work on VOICE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE, includes ESRC/UKRI-funded projects within the £3.5m Democracy and Participation and £5m Cultures of Consumption programmes, and a £500k NHS project. His focus on HUMAN CO-OPERATION AND EFFECTIVE INSTITUTIONS takes in ESRC/UKRI projects within the £5m Non-Governmental Public Action programme in Tanzania and Sri Lanka, and a €7M EU project, 'Strength2Food', in Serbia. His work on POLICY AND SYSTEM INNOVATION includes a £475k UKRI COVID-19 Rapid Response project on public procurement, and £5.1m Local Policy Innovation Partnership.

**Dr Megan Blake** is a geographer and leading expert on household food security and community resilience in economically wealthy contexts at the University of Sheffield. With more than 20 years of experience, her research works across households, community organisations, charities, industry, and government to understand and address the social determinants of food insecurity and poverty. She uses participatory, qualitative, and quantitative methods to generate stakeholder-informed research with real-world impact.

Her Food Ladders framework is now used by local authorities, third-sector organisations, and policy makers in the UK and internationally to design and evaluate responses to food insecurity at the local scale. Her work has informed parliamentary inquiries, APPGs, and UN Rapporteur hearings, and has been featured widely across national and international media, including the BBC, Sky News, The Guardian, Bloomberg News, and NPR. Dr Blake is an academic advisor to Feeding Britain and a founder member of the XCESS surplus food redistribution network.

**Lieutenant Colonel Ian Gainsford**, is the Director of The Salvation Army International Social Justice Commission (ISJC). Ian has recently been appointed to this post, having previously served in New Zealand, Fiji, Tonga, and the Samoa territory. At the university in New Zealand Ian's research included The Salvation Army's practice around the full inclusion of women as leaders and within the movement. As a Salvation Army officer, he is committed to holistic, integrated mission and to promoting the work of The Salvation Army internationally.

**Dr Jessica Allen**, Deputy Director of the Institute of Health Equity  
Jessica and Michael Marmot have worked together since 2011. In her role as Deputy Director of the Institute of Health Equity (IHE), Jessica has shaped the strategic direction of the Institute, and has overseen and led much of its work and development.  
She has worked closely with international organisations, national and local governments, businesses and the economic sector, third sector organisations and public health and health care systems. Jessica is a member of several advisory groups in England and internationally. She has published and broadcast widely on the social determinants of health. Prior to her work at IHE, she was head of Health and Social Care at IPPR, Research Fellow in Public Health at the King's Fund, and worked at UNICEF and the London School of Economics. She holds a doctorate from the University of London.  
For more details, please [click here](#) (Institute of Health Equity).

## Panel B

### Children and Young people

*Chair* **Emma Tomalin** is Professor of Religion and Public Life at the University of Leeds. Her research and teaching focuses on the role of faith actors in the public sphere in a range of interconnected areas, including humanitarianism, international development, peacebuilding, environmental justice and gender equality. Her most recent book is the *Routledge Handbook of Religion Gender and Society* (2022), co-edited with Caroline Starkey.

*Host* **Dr Edward Graham-Hyde** is the Assistant Director (Research) of Research & Development, within the Mission Service at The Salvation Army UKIT. The research within TSA focuses on church development, missional impact and informing evidence-based strategy. In addition, Research & Development support all departments across TSA in their research into social justice, social action and - most importantly - social transformation. Beyond TSA, Edward is also a fellow at the University of Leeds as well as a Treasurer-Governor of Information Network Focus on Religious Movements (Inform); his wider portfolio focuses on conversion theory and empowerment within the context of religious reflexivity and lived reality for everyday people.

**Dr Rosalie Warnock** is a British Academy Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the Department of Geography at King's College London. She is a critical social geographer working at the intersection of socio-spatial health inequalities, neurodiversity and SEND, and feminist decolonial methods and praxis. Using neurodiversity as a lens, her work highlights how

intersecting structural and systemic inequalities (affecting housing, education, social care and welfare benefits) impact on children and families' mental and physical health and wellbeing in the UK. Her BA postdoctoral research examines how children act as "co-navigators" of welfare systems alongside their parents/carers. She is Co-I on the [Sensory Lives](#) research project, which examines how homeless neurodivergent children and their families experience temporary accommodation in London and Greater Manchester. She is also Academic Lead on the Every Child Thriving? project (in partnership with Brent Council), which explores multicultural understandings of – and the need for culturally competent approaches to - child development and SEND across NW London.

**Bethany Darby** is a Postdoctoral Research Associate at the Wilberforce Institute, University of Hull, and a registered nurse with a background in public health. Her research explores child criminal exploitation (CCE), trauma-informed safeguarding, victim-offender overlap, and the social determinants shaping vulnerability, harm and criminalisation. She focuses particularly on how structural inequalities, trauma responses and institutional practices influence experiences of exploitation, violence and criminalisation among children and young people. Bethany also developed the TIPH framework, which understands CCE through a trauma-informed public health lens and seeks to better recognise vulnerable children as victims of harm and coercion rather than willing participants in criminality.

Alongside her academic work, Bethany contributes to policy-facing projects with the Modern Slavery and Human Rights Policy and Evidence Centre, Home Office and The Salvation Army, focusing on exploitation, lived experience, safeguarding and marginalised voices. Prior to academia, she worked clinically within healthcare and safeguarding settings, which continues to inform her interdisciplinary and trauma-informed approach to policy, practice and research.

**Dr Josie Hamper** is a Research associate in health Geography at King's College London. Josie has over 12 years of qualitative health research experience, focusing especially on how lived experiences and knowledges of health intersect with new technologies. She has published widely on people's everyday encounters with digital health tools, such as reproductive health and parenting apps, and she recently completed a cross-European study at the University of Oxford on young people's encounters with health-related content on social media. As part of this work, Josie has a particular interest in advancing methods for studying online visual communication and cultures of health.

**Commissioner Christine McMillan** has been a Salvation Army officer in Canada and Bermuda, Australia, England, Papua New Guinea, and the USA, roles which included the denominational leader in three of these countries. Trained and accredited as a counsellor, she has founded various centres and programmes in the fields of addiction, domestic violence, and homelessness. Christine is the founding director of *The Salvation Army International Social Justice Commission* (ISJC), the senior advisor for social justice for the World Evangelical Alliance, and while associate secretary general for public engagement for the World Evangelical Alliance, oversaw the work of its United Nation teams in Geneva and New York in the fields of refugees, climate change, humanitarian advocacy, peace and reconciliation, human trafficking, and healing and health. Appointed by the UN to its Multifaith Advisory Council, she is a global envoy with UNICEF and past co-president of Religions for Peace and the recipient of two honorary doctorates.

## Panel C

### Health, wellbeing – inequalities in the community

*Chair* **Richard Bradbury BA(Hons), DipSW, MSc.** Since 2005 Richard has worked for The Salvation Army in an overseas setting in Bangladesh, Kenya & Zambia. His roles overseas have involved running The Salvation Army's Chikankata Hospital and being responsible for the projects and emergency work of The Salvation Army in Kenya. Richard was appointed to IHQ at International Headquarters almost in 2021, where he currently serves as the International Development Officer. Richard has a background in criminal justice work and initially worked in the Edinburgh High Court of Justiciary followed by a spell working at the social work and psychology units in Barlinnie Prison in Glasgow. Immediately prior to working for The Salvation Army, Richard was a Regional Manager for the East of England in the National Probation Service and a Government Adviser in the Home Office. Richard is the co-author of a number of research journals and newspapers articles and is a contributor to the book, *Sense and Sensibility in Health Care* (BMJ publications). Currently Richard is Secretary for Mission in the UK and Ireland Territory.

*Host* **Martin Williams** is the Assistant Director (Development) in the Research and Development team of The Salvation Army, where his role encompasses thinking through the spaces required for mission activity to take place and project managing and facilitating schemes coming out of this. His previous experience in charity management includes project and operational management in the prison and youth sectors, as well as organisational change.

#### *Panel members*

**Lee Ball** is Director of Addiction Services for The Salvation Army UK and Ireland, where he supports and delivers national strategy across addiction, harm reduction, and trauma-informed practice. His work takes a population health approach, integrating harm reduction, psychosocial interventions, and upstream prevention to reduce health inequalities among some of the most marginalised communities.

Lee has led the development of The Salvation Army's Model of Care and Harm Reduction Strategy, alongside cross-organisational programmes spanning children and young people, families, and recovery support. He is particularly focused on the impact of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) and intergenerational trauma, translating evidence from social epidemiology into practical, frontline interventions.

He works closely with academic and policy partners, contributing to national conversations on addiction, homelessness, and prevention, and is committed to embedding evidence-based, compassionate practice across systems.

**Professor Anastasia Z. Kalea** is a Professor (Teaching) in the Division of Medicine at University College London (UCL) and a Registered Dietitian with over 20 years of international research and clinical education experience. As an Academic Programme Lead in Obesity and Clinical Nutrition, her work bridges molecular nutrition and public health strategies to address health and wellbeing inequalities. Professor Kalea's research focuses on cardiometabolic health, obesity and weight stigma, and the systemic challenges of food insecurity, investigating how limited dietary access directly impacts community well-being and long-term health. Dedicated to fostering equitable health systems, she works to transform medical education and support inclusive, evidence-based public health interventions that target the social determinants of health to foster healthier outcomes for all communities.

**Prenika Anand** is a digital health consultant and a UKRI funded PhD researcher at the University of York, specializing in the Safety of Artificial Intelligence. A graduate dentist, Prenika holds a Master's in Health Administration from the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, and an MSc in Applied Digital Health from the University of Oxford. Prior to her PhD, she spent 9 years in designing and implementing digitally driven population wellbeing programs in India. Following her Oxford thesis on technology's role in loneliness of older people, she was awarded a research fellowship by the Samuel Centre for Social Connectedness. In this role, she explored belonging in a digital world and social connectedness as a wellbeing indicator for the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative. Her PhD research investigates the psychological harms and safety needs of AI in human-AI interaction, focusing on assisted living technologies for older adults.

**Dr Maribeth Swanson** Maribeth holds a Doctorate in Leadership from Cardinal Stritch University, and a M.S.W. degree from the University of Illinois-Chicago, Jane Addams College of Social Work, and B.A. from Asbury University. She completed post-graduate training at Duke University Center for Spirituality, Theology and Health Research. She is Licensed Clinical Social Worker.

Dr. Maribeth Velazquez Swanson provides executive oversight, coordination, policy development, and strategic planning for a multifaceted range of social service programs, operated by 2,500 staff, that serve the most vulnerable across eleven US Midwest states.

In 2011, Dr. Swanson spearheaded the development and implementation of Pathway of Hope (POH), a groundbreaking integrative ministry approach designed to break the cycle of intergenerational poverty. Along with Territory's POH team, she has supported the scaling of the POH model with all USA Territories and internationally.

Recognizing the critical need for professional learning, she led the development of the Caseworker Certification Program (CCP). Launched in 2019, this comprehensive eLearning curriculum equips officers and employees with essential skills for delivering frontline casework and pastoral care in corps community-based and institutional programs.

Her research interest includes the role of hope, spirituality, and corps-community engagement for poverty impacted families and individuals.

Currently, she is appointed as the Chair, USA Social Services Commission, and Secretary, International Older Persons Collaborative Network. She represents the Americas and Caribbean Zone on the International Moral and Social Issues Council (IMASIC).

**Dr Elise Crayton** is a Senior Research Fellow specialising in applied behavioural science, working in the Centre for Behavioural Change at UCL. She delivers high-quality research, consultancy, teaching, and training, with expertise in systems thinking, intervention design, evaluation, and implementation science. She has led multidisciplinary qualitative and quantitative projects for organisations including UCL, NIHR, ESRC, and third-sector partners, with a focus on health and equality, diversity, and inclusion. Her recent work includes the PANDA programme ([Primary Prevention of Maternal Anaemia to avoid Preterm Delivery and Adverse outcomes \(PANDA\)](#)), where she led work packages exploring drivers of oral iron initiation and adherence, informing a complex behavioural intervention delivered within a large multi-site RCT of over 11,000 participants. She has also delivered international behavioural science training on antimicrobial resistance for ICARS, reaching 60

delegates across 21 countries. Additionally, she collaborates with UCL on improving inclusion for disabled individuals, as part of her role as Disability Equity Lead.

**Lieutenant , Dr, Marco Herrera** is the International Health Services Coordinator based at The Salvation Army international headquarters in London. Marco's parents were Salvation Army officers in Chile, where Marco grew up, and he also lived in Ecuador and Brazil. On graduation as a medical doctor from Universidad Central de Ecuador, he returned to Chile to practice medicine and completed a diploma in family medicine in Universidad de Chile. He has experience in direct patient care in both public and private sectors, and both in urban and rural areas. Marco was commissioned as a Salvation Army officer in 2021, and since taking up his current appointment at the international headquarters, he has completed a bachelor degree in biblical and theological studies and is currently pursuing a master's degree in public health from the University of London, at SOAS.. He is passionate about teaching and helping people to flourish and find fulfilment in their lives.