Launch of The Lancet Physical Activity Series 2

Date: Thursday 28 July 2016
Time: 9:30 am – 12:10 pm
Venue: Rose Room, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Keppel Street, London, WC1E 7HT, UK
Type of event: Seminar

When the eyes of the world turn to Rio de Janeiro for the 2016 Summer Olympics, The Lancet will launch a new major series on physical activity. This new physical activity series will present an update of the field over the last 4 years since the publication of the first series (http://www.thelancet.com/series/physical-activity), including progress in epidemiological research, global surveillance, intervention strategies and policy actions. The series will feature the first global estimate of the economic burden of physical inactivity, and the largest harmonised meta-analysis on the joint health effects of sedentary behaviour and physical activity. The series will also address the issue of scaling up population interventions in the global setting by providing guidance towards larger and smarter approaches to get more people active. Overall, the new series will present the latest science in physical activity and health, with a strong focus on low and middle income countries.

There will be a symposium of the four papers presented by the lead authors followed by a discussion led by Dr Richard Horton, Editor-in-Chief of The Lancet.

Full programme details will follow shortly. Copies of the series will be available at the symposium.

Agenda:

9:30 am: Welcome by LSHTM
9:35 am: Introducing the panellists (Dr Pamela Das, The Lancet)
9:45 am: The Lancet Physical Activity Series 2: progress and opportunities (Dr Melody Ding, The University of Sydney, Australia)
9:50 am: Progress in physical activity over the Olympic quadrennium (Dr Pedro C. Hallal, Federal University of Pelotas, Brazil)
10:15 am: The economic burden of physical inactivity: a global analysis of major non-communicable diseases (Dr Melody Ding, The University of Sydney, Australia)
10:40 am: Does physical activity attenuate, or even eliminate, the detrimental association of sitting time with mortality? A harmonised meta-analysis of data from more than 1 million men and women (Prof Ulf Ekelund, Norwegian School of Sport Sciences, Norway)
11:05 am: Scaling up physical activity interventions worldwide: stepping up to larger and smarter approaches to get people moving (Prof Rodrigo S. Reis, Washington University in St. Louis, USA/Federal University of Parana, Brazil)
11:40 am-12:10 pm: Panel discussion (TBC, chaired by Dr Richard Horton, The Lancet)

Admission: Free and open to all. Entry is on a first come, first served basis.

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Location map and directions to all LSHTM buildings