



Professor Sir David Goldberg, MSc, MD, FRCP, FRCPsych

Professor Sir David Goldberg is a psychologist and psychiatrist best known for his work in psychiatric epidemiology. He developed the General Health Questionnaire and advocated a bio-social model for mental disorders. He was educated at William Ellis School and Hertford College, Oxford. He took a degree in psychology and went on to do his clinical work at St Thomas' Hospital. After house jobs at the National Hospital, Queen Square and the Brompton Hospital he studied psychiatry under Sir Aubrey Lewis at the Maudsley. He developed the General Health Questionnaire as a DPM project, and developed it further for his DM degree. After leaving the Institute he spent a year in Philadelphia before returning to Manchester as a senior lecturer. In 1972 he was appointed Professor and Head of Department at Manchester and spent the next 20 years building up the Department. He is an exponent of a bio-social model for common mental disorders, and has written books dealing with both epidemiological aspects of psychiatry and straightforward textbooks. He returned to the Maudsley in 1993 as Professor of Psychiatry and Director of Research and Development, and was knighted in 1997. He became a Professor Emeritus of King's College London in 2000.

Professor Goldberg was presented with the lifetime achievement award in 2009 at the inaugural Royal College of Psychiatrists Awards ceremony in recognition of his dedication throughout his career to alleviating suffering, and leading to on research and service development. He is also a Fellow of King's College, London and Hertford College, Oxford.