

## Brief Curriculum Vitae

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Emeritus Professor Leslie G Walker is a freelance Clinical and Health Psychology Consultant.

In November 2009, he retired from the University of Hull where he held the Foundation Chair of Cancer Rehabilitation and where he was the Clinical Lead for the Division of Cancer in the Postgraduate Medical Institute, University of Hull, UK. He was also Director of the Institute of Rehabilitation (a joint venture between the University of Hull and the local NHS Trusts), and a member of the Faculty of the Hull York Medical School (HYMS).

Ten years ago, he founded a unique Oncology Health Service (funded by Hull and East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust) and he directed the service until 2009 when he retired concurrently from the NHS. Each year, more than 2,500 people with cancer access the Service for the first time, and each week some 375 people with cancer and their relatives attend the custom built, fully integrated Oncology Health Centre at Castle Hill Hospital.

Research interests include psychoneuroimmunological studies of breast, brain and colorectal cancers; psychosocial aspects of cancer screening; the evaluation of different models of providing psychosocial care, and the development and evaluation of psychological and complementary interventions for people with cancer. In the last five years, he has received funding from the Medical Research Council, Cancer Research UK, the HTA Programme, the NHS R&D Programme (Cancer) and Dimpleby Cancer Care.

Professor Walker currently serves on a number of committees, including the Medical Research Council College of Experts (Health Services and Public Health Research Board and also the Efficacy and Mechanisms Evaluation Programme); the Research Committee of the National Cancer Survivorship Initiative (Department of Health); the Clinical Reference Group of Breast Cancer Care, and the Clinical Experts Reference Group of Breakthrough Breast Cancer.

Current Editorial Board membership includes the European Journal of Psychiatry, Contemporary Hypnosis, Psycho-Oncology and Complementary Therapies in Clinical Practice.

He is a former Co-Chair of the Nominating Committee of the International Psychosocial Oncology Society and he has served two terms of Office as Chairman of the British Psychosocial Oncology Society. Until recently, he was Chairman of the Research Committee of Breast Cancer Care. He was also a Member of the Council of the British Society of Experimental and Clinical Hypnosis; the Population and Behavioural Sciences Committee of Cancer Research UK; the National Cancer Research Institute Complementary Therapies Clinical Studies Development Group; and three Medical Research Council Multicentre Trial Steering Committees.

Professor Walker has given numerous Invited Lectures and Keynote Addresses throughout the world, and he has over 300 publications to his name.

He is a Fellow of the British Psychological Society, the Institute of Biology and the Royal Statistical Society.

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