

DENTISTRY ON ISLANDS

CHRIS LEOPOLD Following a predominantly clinical career encompassing training as a hospital Oral Surgeon, a General Dental Practitioner and dentist providing specialist care for people with dental special needs, he entered the newly developed training programmes for the specialty of Dental Public Health. He was the third trainee to undergo formal training and accreditation under the Specialist Advisory Committee for Dental Public Health, Royal College of Surgeons. He began working as a Consultant in Dental Public Health for the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Health Authority in May 1994, returning from the West Midlands and Sheffield with immense personal and professional relief.

He continued to maintain a part-time NHS dental practice until 18 months ago, when he began to provide Dental Public Health advice to both Devon Health Authorities on a sub-contracted basis from Cornwall.

Chris Leopold is married, with three children, and currently resident in coastal Devon - commuting daily to the Health Authorities to whom he provides advice.

He has been a contributor to the recruitment of dentists to the Isles of Scilly on three occasions, and for a short period provided locum cover himself - over a sunny Easter in 1996!

SUMMARY

**DENTAL HEALTH AND SERVICES
DO ISLANDS DIFFER FROM THE MAINLAND?**

- Measuring dental health
- Promoting dental health
- Practical difficulties in provision of services
Fluoridation: a special opportunity for UK islands?

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