

ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

The COVID-19 pandemic revealed the fragile state of men's health around the world and highlighted the need for men's health organisations and advocates to make the case for action. GAMH certainly stepped up a gear, raised more funds, expanded its membership, extended its partnerships and increased its influence. We are increasingly seen as the international voice of men's health, a unique source of insight and expertise, and a trusted partner.

Founded in 2013, we were able to mark our 10th anniversary with satisfaction at the progress made combined, needless to say, with trepidation at the scale of the task still faced.

Resisting the temptation to tackle every men's health problem at once, GAMH's Board agreed to pursue five broad strategic goals (see below). But first and foremost, we are an organisation that works to change policy.

We know we also need to increase our capacity and capabilities so we can get more done more quickly. Key to this is sustained fundraising. Thanks to some hard work, 2022/23 was, financially, our most successful year yet providing the platform for growth and development.

Finally, a huge thank you to the GAMH Board, Director Peter Baker and our operations team and our members for their much-valued and continuous guidance and support.

Derek M. Griffith, Chair

Putting Men & Boys on the Gender Agenda

STRATEGIC PLAN 2022-27

Increase the policy profile of men's and boys' health.



Promote and distribute evidence of knowledge / good practice / evidence-based policy and practice in men's and boys' health.



Accelerate the growth of knowledge and evidence on the state of men's and boys' health and what improves men's and boys' health.



Promote the development of strategic partnerships and networks.



Ensure effective governance, management and funding of GAMH.

During 2022-24, GAMH is prioritising goals 1, 2 and 5 and, in its policy work, focussing on the issues of cancer and mental health, and making the case for national men's health policies.

MEET OUR TEAM

Our Operations Team

- Peter Baker Director (pictured below, left)
- Dr Tosin Olaluwoye Research Associate
- Ayo Ogunbiyi Administrative Specialist and Research Analyst
- Jim Pollard Communications Consultant

- Professor Doris Bardehle
- Rae Bonney
- Ronald Henry
- Michael McKenna
- Wendy Poage

Thanks to Ana Tomsic and Gillian Prue who stood down as trustees during the course of the year.

GAMH also owes a huge debt to Dr Anthony Brown (pictured below, centre) who was GAMH Chair from our foundation in 2013 until 2023. Anthony was made Honorary Chair in 2024.

Our Board of Trustees

- Professor Derek M. Griffith Chair (pictured below, right)
- Amon Lukhele Vice Chair
- Martin Tod Treasurer









OUR HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR



- GAMH's Director Peter Baker co-chaired the European Cancer Organisation (ECO) roundtable on **men and cancer in Europe** in April 2022.
- A GAMH webinar on **mental health**, held in June 2022, contributed to the development of our mental health report to be published in 2024.
- Men's health and masculinities in the Americas was the focus of a webinar in June 2022 that we co-hosted with the Center for Men's Health Equity at Georgetown University and PAHO (the WHO Region for the Americas) a clear indication of PAHO's interest in men's health and a springboard for greater engagement including a technical briefing on men's health for member states.
- GAMH conducted an independent review of the Healthy Ireland -Men action plan in Ireland.
- GAMH was a strategic partner in Africa Health Business's symposium on the role of the private sector in advancing men's health in **Africa**.
- GAMH drew on its experience of COVID-19 to develop a statement on **mpox** (formerly known as monkeypox) in September 2022.
- A GAMH webinar in March 2023 looked at the barriers to men's use of general practice ahead of GAMH commissioning a report on the subject for publication in 2024.
- GAMH presented to the European Society of Human Reproduction and Embryology (ESHRE) conference on **male reproductive health** in October 2022 and will be publishing a report on men's sexual and reproductive health in 2024.
- At our request, the WHO marked **Men's Health Week** for the first time in June 2022 with a Twitter Spaces conversation. This event was a significant development for GAMH which was subsequently invited to participate in other important WHO activities.
- Throughout the year, GAMH kept members and others up-to-date with research and policy developments through social media, its monthly eBulletin and an open access YouTube channel.

OUR MEMBERS

- Total members: **76**
- Full members: 11
- Associate members: 24
- Individual members: 41
- Countries represented: 22
- WHO regions represented: 5







FINANCIAL REPORT

GAMH ended the 2022/23 financial year with a surplus of GBP 120,885. GBP 104,306 of these funds were restricted (ie. these can only be spent on the projects for which they were provided). The remaining GBP 16,579 were unrestricted funds (these can be used for any purpose in line with our charitable objectives). The end-of-year position was significantly better than in 2021/22 which ended with a surplus of GBP 17,168.

The growth in income in 2022/23 was very welcome. It underpinned an expansion in our work programme and enabled significant progress towards the achievement of GAMH's objectives. However, GAMH's Board recognises that our capacity remains limited, especially when set against the sheer scale of the health problems that continue to face men and the continued lack of engagement of health systems in men's health. This means that, alongside our policy and advocacy work, we will continue to prioritise income generation as a strategic priority.

LOOKING FORWARD

GAMH has maintained momentum since the end of the period covered by the Annual Report for 2022/23.

Our key activities in the rest of 2023 included:

- Launching our report, **Gone Missing: The treatment of men in global cancer policy**, at a Men's Health Week webinar in June. This report showed how men are largely overlooked in global cancer policy and will be used as the basis for advocacy work.
- Deepening our strategic collaboration with the European Cancer Organisation through work on a **Men and Cancer Roadmap** for Action in Europe which was launched at a meeting at the European Parliament in Brussels in November.
- Beginning work on policy reports on the specific issues of prostate cancer and gender-neutral HPV vaccination. We have identified these as particular issues where we believe faster progress can be made. These reports will be launched in 2024.
- Submitting evidence to the UK parliament's Health and Social Care Select Committee inquiry into men's health. Our submission focused on the case for a men's health strategy, drawing on the international evidence.
- Actively participating in the Men's Health World Congress in Malaysia. The Congress will hopefully be the first of a series of post-pandemic international men's health events.
- Providing consultancy support to **Movember** on the development of its new policy and advocacy strategy.

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