

Mary Renfrew

Professor Mary Renfrew BSc RN RM PhD FRSE is Professor Emeritus at the University of Dundee, Scotland. She is a health researcher, educator, and midwife who has conducted research in maternal and newborn care, midwifery, infant feeding and nutrition for more than 40 years. Her work has helped to shape international public health and maternity policy and practice. Her work focusses on improving health and the quality of care, reducing the impact of inequalities, and evidence-informed policy and practice. She founded the multidisciplinary Mother and Infant Research Unit, which she directed for 25 years. She was principal investigator for the groundbreaking global Lancet Series on Midwifery, and was Lead Adviser to the UK Nursing and Midwifery Council to develop the regulator's radical new standards of midwifery. She is a founding member of the International Quality Maternal and Newborn Care Research Alliance, has worked as Consultant for the World Health Organisation, and has been Trustee of UNICEF UK. She was awarded honorary membership of the British Association of Perinatal Medicine in 2018 and inaugural Senior Investigator status with the UK National Institute for Health Research in 2008, and has been elected as a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh (Scotland's National Academy).