A Declaration for National Wellbeing

As part of Professor Neena Modi’s Presidential project 2021-22, the BMA, in collaboration with a range of external organisations, have developed this declaration. It sets out a series of principles and actions which, if adopted, would put health at the heart of decision making.

- Acknowledge that good population health and wellbeing, together with tackling climate change and environmental degradation, are crucial to a sustainable future
- Promote greater equity in health and address inequalities
- Recognise that well-functioning health systems are important, but the principal determinants of health and wellbeing lie outside healthcare
- Prioritise population health and wellbeing across the life-course in policy decisions
- Incorporate metrics of population health and wellbeing into measures of national progress and performance

We call on national and local UK governments to:

The following organisations have endorsed this declaration and we invite others to do so. If you would like more information or are interested in endorsing the declaration, please email info.phh@bma.org.uk.