


Name	Rt Hon the Lord (Philip) Hunt of Kings Heath OBE	
Current position	Shadow Deputy Leader of the House of Lords; Opposition Spokesperson for Health (2012-)	
Party	Labour	

Political career	<p>Lord Hunt's appointment as Opposition Spokesperson for Health in 2012 reflects his considerable experience in the health sector, both before and after entering politics. He has a long background in health policy, including time as a former NHS manager (notably as the first Chief Executive of the NHS Confederation) and a former Director of the National Association of Health Authorities and Trusts, before entering Parliament. He then served as Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Health and Minister of State for Health in 1999-2003 and 2006-07 respectively.</p> <p>He is former Chair of Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust and is currently President of the Royal Society for Public Health.</p> <p>Lord Hunt's is a member of various health-related All-Party-Parliamentary Groups, including the Medical Research Group.</p> <p>Lord Hunt's other previous roles in Parliament include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opposition Spokesperson for the Cabinet Office (2010-12)</li> <li>• Opposition Spokesperson for the Home Office (2010-12)</li> <li>• Opposition Spokesperson for the Department for Energy and Climate Change (2010)</li> <li>• Minister of State, Department for Energy and Climate Change (2009-10)</li> <li>• Deputy Leader of the House of Lords (2009-10)</li> <li>• Minister of State, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (2008)</li> <li>• Parliamentary Under-Secretary, Ministry of Justice (2007-08)</li> <li>• Parliamentary Under-Secretary, Department for Work and Pensions (2005-07)</li> <li>• Government Whip (1998-99)</li> </ul>
Health interests	<p>Lord Hunt regularly raises health issues in the House of Lords. On the NHS reforms, he has described the new architecture as "very bureaucratic" and not having a "clear departmental direction".</p>

	<p>Lord Hunt's appearances in the Lords also show an interest in NICE processes. He has expressed concerns about value-based pricing, suggesting that, "combined with issues around the regulation of medical health research, it makes the UK a less attractive place for the industry to invest in R&amp;D".</p>
Previous occupation	<p>Outside Parliament, Lord Hunt's career has included the following positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Study officer, Oxford Regional Hospital Board (1972-74)</li> <li>• Administrator, Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre (1974-75)</li> <li>• Secretary, Edgware/Hendon Community Health Council (1975-78)</li> <li>• National Association of Health Authorities: Assistant secretary (1978-79); Assistant director (1979-84); Director (1984-90)</li> <li>• <b>Director, National Association of Health Authorities and Trusts (1990-96)</b></li> <li>• Association for Public Health: Council Member (1992); Co-chair (1994-98)</li> <li>• <b>Chief Executive, NHS Confederation (1996-97)</b></li> <li>• President, Family Planning Association (1997-98)</li> <li>• Chair, National Patient Safety Agency (2004-05)</li> <li>• <b>President, Royal Society for Public Health (2010-)</b></li> <li>• <b>Chair, Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust, Birmingham (2011-2014)</b></li> </ul>
Personal information	<p>Lord Hunt lists his personal interests as cycling, swimming, Birmingham City FC and music. He also supports several charities, including Oxfam and St Mary's Hospice, Birmingham.</p>

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