



A New Manager for SPC Public Health Programme

Recently Mark Jacobs was appointed to this re-created position at SPC. Before that, Mark most recently served as the Director of Public Health for Tasmania in Australia, where he managed a broad range of public health activities at the state level and took on a national leadership role in areas like environmental health and HIV/AIDS.

Mark has also worked in public health in other parts of Australia, and in medical jobs in both hospitals and community practice.

He has had a wealth of experience in areas ranging from infectious disease surveillance and control to environmental health, epidemiology, and development of public health legislation, as well as injury prevention, tobacco control, nutrition, diabetes prevention, and sexual health. He is especially interested in health impact assessment, environmental health and development of healthy public policy.

Mark looks forward to travelling throughout the Pacific Islands region and getting to know and work with people who share his enthusiasm for public health.