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Oral Health represented on VicHealth board

Professor Mike Morgan, from the Oral Health CRC and the University of Melbourne, has been appointed to the Board of the Victorian Health Promotion Foundation (VicHealth).

VicHealth works in partnership with organisations, communities and individuals to promote good health and prevent ill-health. Professor Morgan's appointment highlights the increasing evidence base showing links between oral health and systemic diseases such as diabetes, cardiovascular diseases and certain cancers.

Professor Morgan has a particular interest in dental public health and preventive dentistry, and currently leads the Oral Health CRC's program evaluating Australia's oral health problems.

Research within this program aims to expand current knowledge of oral health status and related behaviours, improve understanding of the links between oral health and systemic diseases and identify molecules which are associated with oral diseases.

Appointing the new members of VicHealth's Board, Health Minister David Davis said the new board members were leaders in their particular fields, with the expertise which will be used to guide VicHealth in the coming years.

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