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Gurch Randhawa is Professor of Diversity in Public Health and Director of the Institute for Health Research at the University of Bedfordshire. He has spent many years researching issues relating to end of life care, diabetes, kidney disease and transplantation amongst minority ethnic groups. He has published widely on these subjects and is a regular speaker at national and international meetings.

Gurch was invited to provide oral evidence to the House of Commons Health Select Committee inquiry into End-of-Life Care in 2004. More recently, he served as a member of the Department of Health's Organ Donation Taskforce commissioned by the Minister of State for Health Services. As part of the work of the Taskforce, he was Chair of the Social & Cultural Working Group.

He is a recipient of numerous grants from organisations such as the Department of Health, King's Fund, Kidney Research UK, Big Lottery Fund, and NHS Blood & Transplant. Gurch is currently Chief Investigator of a four-year multi-centre study exploring end of life care issues for South Asian renal patients. In his other 'life', Gurch is Chair of NHS Luton.