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Rob Moodie is currently Deputy Head of School and Professor of Public Health at the University of Melbourne's School of Population and Global Health (MSPGH), and Professor of Public Health at the College of Medicine, University of Malawi. Prior to this he was the Director of Teaching and Learning at MSPGH, and before that was the inaugural Chair of Global Health at the Nossal Institute.

He was trained in medicine and public health and worked in refugee health care in the Sudan for Save the Children Fund and Mediciens Sans Frontieres, and later for Congress, the Aboriginal Community controlled health service in Central Australia from 1982-1988. He worked for many years on HIV prevention for the Health Department Victoria, the Burnet Institute, WHO's Global Programme on AIDS. He was then appointed as the inaugural Director of Country Support for UNAIDS in Geneva from 1995-98, and was a member of the Commission on AIDS in the Pacific. He chaired the Technical Advisory Panel of Avahan, the Gates Foundation's HIV prevention program in India from 2004-2013. He was CEO of VicHealth from 1998-2007, the world's first health promotion foundation based on a dedicated tobacco tax. From 2008-2011 he chaired the National Preventative Health Taskforce in Australia, which recommended the introduction of plain packaging. He chaired the Gavi Vaccine Alliance's Evaluation Advisory Committee from 2013-2019, and advises the World Health Organization in the areas of Non Communicable Diseases and Health Promotion.

His major interests are in public health leadership skills, health promotion, the role of unhealthy commodity industries (Big Tobacco, Ultra-processed food, Alcohol, Gambling) in harming health, as well as road safety. He has been teaching and refining leadership skills training programs for the last 13 years mainly in Australia, Malawi and south Asia. He has co-edited and co-authored 4 books including Promoting Mental Health, Hands on Health Promotion and Recipes for a Great Life written with Gabriel Gate.