

**All Ireland Seminar on Palliative Care and disabilities:  
Impact of legislation to improve quality of life and realise human rights  
Tuesday 12th June 2018, 10:00 - 15:15  
Ashling Hotel, Dublin**

**9:30-10:00**  
**10:00-10:10**

***Registration and networking opportunity***

**Welcome and introduction**

Dr Mary Rabbitte, AIHPC Programme Manager for Research and Associate Professor Suzanne Guerin, Vice-Chair of AIHPC Palliative Care Research Network; Deputy Director of the UCO Centre for Disability Studies and Associate Professor, School of Psychology, University College Dublin (UCD)

**10:10-10:25**

**Supporting people with intellectual disability and advanced dementia: Complexities in end of life care**

Professor Mary McCarron, Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences, and Chair of Ageing and Intellectual Disability at Trinity College Dublin (TCD)

**10:25-10:45**

**Key considerations in relation to the Mental Capacity Act (NI) 2016 from the clinical perspective**

Dr Gerry Lynch, Chair of Royal College of Psychiatrists Northern Ireland

**10:45-11:30**

**Legal capacity legislation on the island of Ireland and its human rights implications**

Dr Eilionóir Flynn, Director of the Centre for Disability Law and Policy and Senior Lecturer, School of Law, National University of Ireland Galway (NUIG)

**11:30-11:45**  
**11:45-12:15**

***Coffee break and networking opportunity***

**Conversation Panel 1: What are the main considerations for people with life-limiting disabilities receiving palliative care and this legislation?**

Chair: Associate Professor Suzanne Guerin

Participants: Eithne Frost (AIHPC Voices4Care); Kathy Ryan (Alzheimer Society of Ireland's Irish Dementia Working Group); Prof Mary McCarron; Dr Gerry Lynch; Dr Eilionoir Flynn; Deirdre Shanagher (Development Officer, Irish Hospice Foundation)

**12:15-12:35**

**Implementation of the Assisted Decision-Making (Capacity) Act 2015: Implications for health and social care professionals**

Áine Flynn, Director of the Decision Support Service (DSS), Mental Health Commission

**12:35-12:55**

**Health services perspective on implementing this legislation**

Caoimhe Gleeson, National Programme Lead - Assisted Decision Making, Health Services Executive (HSE)

**12:55-13:40**  
**13:40-14:00**

***Lunch***

**How will legislation impact practice?**

Professor Gavin Davidson, Senior Lecturer School of Social Sciences, Education and Social Work, Queens University Belfast (QUB)

**14:00-14:30**

**Research collaboration supporting practice: University of Limerick and Milford Care Centre**

Dr John Lombard, Lecturer in the School of Law, University of Limerick (UL) and Dr Martina O'Reilly, Head of Education, Research and Quality, Milford Care Centre

**14:30-15:00**

**Conversation Panel 2: How can research support implementation of the legislation?**

Chair: Associate Professor Suzanne Guerin

Participants: Áine Flynn; Prof Gavin Davidson; Dr John Lombard; Dr Martina O'Reilly; Caoimhe Gleeson; Dr Bernadette Rock (Policy and Research Manager, The Alzheimer Society of Ireland)

**15:00-15:15**

**Key learnings, next steps and close:** Associate Professor Suzanne Guerin