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14th ANNUAL PALLIATIVE CARE RESEARCH NETWORK SYMPOSIUM

'Research and Policy: Working Together to Improve Palliative Care'

Thursday 20 November, Woodquay Venue, Fishamble Street, Dublin 8 D08 RF3F

PROGRAMME

09:15-09:45 **Registration and Refreshments**

09:45-9:55 **Welcome and Introduction**
Karen Charnley, CEO, All Ireland Institute of Hospice and Palliative Care (AIIHPC)
Prof Kevin Brazil, Professor of Palliative Care, Queen's University Belfast, Chair of PCRN Strategic Scientific Committee

9.55-10:20 **Launch of All Ireland Research Priorities 2025**
Dr Mary Rabbitte, Research Programme Manager, AIIHPC, Dr Regina McQuillan, Palliative Care Consultant, St Francis Hospice and Beaumont Hospital, Dublin, PCRN member, Austin McCracken, Voices4Care and Éimear O'Flynn PPI Contributor

10:20–10:45 **All Ireland Perspectives on Adult's Palliative Care Research and Policy**
Prof Karen Ryan, University College Dublin, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, St Francis Hospice, PCRN Member and Dr Esther Beck, Senior Lecturer in Nursing, Ulster University

10:45-11:15 **Supporting Policy and Practice Through Research**
Dr Bridget Johnston, Assistant Professor in Health Research, Trinity College Dublin, PCRN Member

11:15-11:25 **AIIHPC PCRN and Early Career Researcher Forum Update**
Jane Clare, PCRN Project Manager AIIHPC and Dr Busra Ertugrul, Research Support and Knowledge Translation Lead AIIHPC

11:25-11:55 **Tea/Coffee break and Poster Viewing**

11:55-12:15 **Session One– AIIHPC ECRF Members' Presentations**
Chair, Kasia Patynowska, HSC R&D Doctoral Research Fellow, Faculty of Life and Health Sciences, Ulster University, Research Nurse, Marie Curie

Personal and Professional Perspectives on Advance Care Planning among Palliative Care Staff in Ireland
Tadhg Gleeson, MLitt Candidate, School of Psychology, University College Dublin

Enhancing Death Literacy in Communities Across the Island of Ireland: Model and Recommendations
Stephanie Crawford, PhD Candidate, Queen's University Belfast

Development of a Model of Integrated Palliative Heart Failure Care: A Regional Proof of Concept
Niall Manktelow, Research Manager, Galway Hospice

Bereaved People's Experience of Care Co-ordination at End-of-Life: Ireland's National End of Life Survey
Dr Lorna Sweeney, Analyst, National Care Experience Programme, Health Information and Quality Authority

12:15-12:45 **Session Two – AIIHPC PCRN Members' Presentations**

Chair, Dr Geraldine Foley, Associate Professor in Occupational Therapy, Trinity College Dublin, Vice Chair of PCRN Strategic Scientific Committee

Dying on the Margins: Palliative Care in the Shadows of Justice
Prof Audrey Roulston, School of Social Sciences, Education and Social Work, Queen's University Belfast

Integrating Findings to Inform Multi-Level and Inclusive Interventions for Advance Care Planning
Dr Monika Pilch, Assistant Professor, School of Psychology, University College Dublin

How many children in Ireland have life-limiting conditions? Estimating the prevalence using Irish data
Dr Samantha Smith, Research Assistant Professor, Public Health & Primary Care. Trinity College Dublin

12:45 -12:50 **Launch AIIHPC PCRN Fellowships and AIIHPC ECRF Fellowships and Bursaries 2025-2030**
Karen Charnley, CEO AIIHPC, Dr Janet Diffen, Health and Social Care R&D, Public Health Agency, Northern Ireland and Dr Catherine Gill, Health Research Board, Republic of Ireland

12:50 – 12:55 **Children's Palliative Care Research and Policy**
Launch of AIIHPC Special Interest Group
Dr Samantha Smith, Research Assistant Professor Public Health and Primary Care, Trinity College Dublin, PCRN Member, and Dr Busra Ertugrul, Research Support and Knowledge Translation Lead, AIIHPC

12:55 – 13:40 **Lunch Break and Poster Viewing**

13:40 – 13:50 **All Ireland Position Paper on Rehabilitative Palliative Care**
Prof Mary Lynch, Executive Vice Dean for Research, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

13:50 -14:20 **Getting Palliative Care Economics Research into Policy and Practice: some examples of wins and losses**
Prof Charles Normand, Professor of Economics of Palliative Care and Rehabilitation, Cicley Saunders Institute, Kings College London, Professor Emeritus, Trinity College Dublin, PCRN Member

14:20–14:55 **Panel Discussion**
Chair: Prof Suzanne Guerin, Professor of Research Design and Analysis, University College Dublin, PCRN Member
Panel: Prof Mary Lynch, Executive Vice Dean for Research, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, Prof Charles Normand, and Dr Bridget Johnston

14:55- 15:00 **Key Learnings, Closing Comments and Poster Prize Presentations**
Prof Kevin Brazil, Professor of Palliative Care, Queen's University Belfast, Chair of PCRN Strategic Scientific Committee