



P.C.R.N
All Ireland
Palliative Care Research Network



**The All Ireland Institute of Hospice & Palliative
Care (AIHPC)**

Palliative Care Research Network (PCRN)

Annual Symposium

13th – 14th October 2014

**Location: Clarion Hotel Liffey Valley,
Clondalkin, Dublin 22**

Participants

The following groups are asked to attend both days:

- All P.C.R.N. Lead, Co-Principal Investigators, PhD Scholars and Researchers
- Collaborators for the Network
- Targeted individuals from Partner Organisations
- HRB and HSC R&D Division representatives

Purpose

The purpose of the meeting is to:

- 1) Provide update on existing research strands and projects
- 2) Provide opportunities to develop new research collaborations and networks
- 3) Consider future work and opportunities for PCRN

Format

This Symposium will take the format of a workshop with a mix of:

- Presentations by key speakers highlighting the domains relevant to the PCRN
- Presentations by Researchers/Principal Investigators in relation to the 8 Work Projects
- Break out session allowing clinicians and researchers to exchange relevant information

Day 1: October 13th 2014

Time	Topic	Speaker(s)
1.00- 1.45 pm	Registration with refreshments Chairperson: Dr Sonja McIlfatrick	
1.45- 2.00pm	Update on Institute activities	Ms Paddie Blaney
2.00-2.15pm	Update on AIHPC Research and PCRN	Dr Sonja McIlfatrick
2.15- 3.00pm	Overview of Palliative Care Policy in Ireland	Ms Corrina Grimes Dr Karen Ryan
3.00- 3.45pm	Social Justice Strand Work Project Update Work package (WP) 1. Identifying & addressing the needs of people with serious mental illness WP2. Identifying & addressing the needs of people with intellectual disability WP3. An exploration of access, decision making & experiences of palliative care services for families of children with a non-malignant life-limiting condition WP4. Exploring dimensions of inequality in current palliative care provision for carers of people with advanced heart failure in Ireland	Prof Phil Larkin Ms Sarah Walsh Ms Janet O'Farrell Ms Fiona Hurley Dr Leanne Doherty (nee Breslin)
3.45- 4.00pm	Comfort break	
4.00 -4.45 pm	Measurement and Evaluation Work Project Update WP5. Measurement of impact & evaluation of service priority & delivery with a focus on needs WP6. Develop better understanding of how best to elicit preferences & views for service users & families WP7. Enhance the design of studies of complex interventions using measures to embrace complexity WP8. Support the development of measurement tools for palliative care research	Prof Charles Normand Ms Brid Davis/ Mr Mas Mohamed Dr David Scott Ms Bridget Johnston
4.45pm	Closing remarks	Dr Sonja McIlfatrick
5.15pm	Social Justice meeting (Researchers & PIs only)	Dr Maggie Feeley

Day 2: 14th October 2014

Time	Topic	Speaker(s)
Chairperson: Professor Charles Normand		
9.00- 10.30am	What makes for a good randomised trial?	Prof Mike Clarke
10.30-11.00am	Integration of social justice	Prof Kathleen Lynch
11.00-11.30am	Tea/coffee break	
11.30- 1.00pm	Making Connections -Speed networking	Dr Sonja McIlfratrick Dr Leanne Doherty (nee Breslin)
1.00- 2.00 pm	Lunch (Research Steering Committee Working Lunch)	
Chairperson: Professor Philip Larkin		
2.00- 2.15pm	User involvement in Research- Voices 4 Care	Dr Sonja McIlfratrick Eileen Wright (PPI rep)
2.15- 2.30 pm	Palliative Hub –Opportunities for Research	Mr Gareth Wescott
2.30- 3.15pm	Ensuring future sustainability: Lessons from Cancer Experiences Collaborative Research Network	Prof Sheila Payne
3.15 pm	Closing remarks & evaluation	Prof Charles Normand