



All Ireland Institute of
Hospice and Palliative Care



P.C.R.N

All Ireland
Palliative Care Research Network

**PALLIATIVE CARE RESEARCH NETWORK
(P.C.R.N.)**

Two-Day

Research Programme Development Meeting

24th & 25th September 2013

Location: Clarion Hotel Liffey Valley, Dublin

Purpose

The purpose of the meeting is to:

- 1) Review existing research strands, work projects, clinical and research skills, experience and expertise.
- 2) Consider current / future research priorities and opportunities for the P.C.R.N. in terms of what is important? What is relevant? What is feasible?
- 3) Provide opportunities to develop research potential and foster strategic leadership for future projects.
- 4) Develop targeted grant proposals for submission to national & international funders.

Participants:

The following groups are asked to attend both days:

- All P.C.R.N. Lead & Co-Principal Investigators
- Key collaborators for the overarching SRN
- HRB and HSC R&D Division representatives

Goals for the Retreat event:

To provide an opportunity for palliative care researchers and collaborators to review current strengths, identify gaps in research priorities and research capacity, develop new research themes, topics, collaborations and potential projects, and ultimately, develop the knowledge and research skills necessary to meet AIHPC's vision for palliative care on the island of Ireland.

Anticipated outputs:

It is anticipated that the following outputs will be achieved:

- 1) At least two draft research proposals developed for possible external research funding.
- 2) Additional themes identified for potential collaboration around topics and methodology.

Preparation

In preparation for the Retreat, attendees are asked to come prepared by reading the following documents and considering the questions below:

- Update on P.C.R.N.
- Research articles:
 - Evidence on the cost and cost effectiveness of palliative care: A literature review. Smith, S., Brick, A., O'Hara, S. & Normand, C. (2013). *Palliative Medicine*, 0(0), 1-21.
 - Policy analysis: Palliative care in Ireland. May, P., Hynes, G., McCallion, P., Payne, S., Larkin, P. & McCarron, M. (2013) *Health Policy*.
 - Palliative care research on the island of Ireland over the last decade: a systematic review and thematic analysis of peer reviewed publications (McIlpatrick et al. 2013). *BMC Pall Care*, 0(0).

Additional questions:

- What is the current focus of the P.C.R.N./ research strands/ work projects?
- In your opinion, what/where are other possible areas of interest/ new research across and within strands?
- Are there new areas for potential other collaboration across and within the strands?
- How do we ensure the research is attractive and relevant for national and international audiences?

AGENDA

DAY ONE

	Time
Welcome, introductions & expectations	10.30am
General update <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Strategic○ Research capacity building○ Highlights & opportunities	
Update on Research Strands & Work Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Governance○ Work projects○ General issues	
Dissemination & Knowledge Transfer	
Lunch (1hr)	1pm
Presentation by HRB and HSC R&D Division on national & international funding and grants	
Q&As	
Coffee break (15mins)	
Round table discussions	
Agreed actions & next steps	
Close	5.30pm

NB: Day Two overleaf

DAY TWO

Recap of Day 1

9am

Presentation on new Research Strand 3

Open discussion & group work

Coffee break (15mins)

11am

Group work continued

Lunch (1hr)

1.15pm

Group work

Coffee break (15mins)

4.15pm

Identify & agree on next steps

Evaluation of Retreat e.g. if we were to organise another retreat, what three things should we aim to achieve/ avoid?

Close

5.30pm