

Irish Association for Palliative Care · Annual Conference 2011

Palliative Care and Neurology: caring connections

Meeting the needs of people with life-limiting neurological conditions

The goal of Palliative Care to improve the quality of life of patients with life-limiting conditions, reduce the burden of illness and reduce suffering throughout illness for patients and their families chimes with Neurology's objectives to care for people affected by long-term and progressive neurological diseases through managing symptoms and improving the patient's quality of life though not necessarily changing the course of the disease.

As the prevalence of neurological disease increases (more than 700,000 people in Ireland are affected by neurological conditions) – either as a main condition or as a co-morbidity – and as the demand for palliative care is now extending to non-malignant conditions, it is imperative to address the problems and issues of this population, both within palliative care and neurology.

A compelling case emerges for a collaborative holistic approach which integrates palliative and neurological care for the management of complex conditions.

The conference aims to...

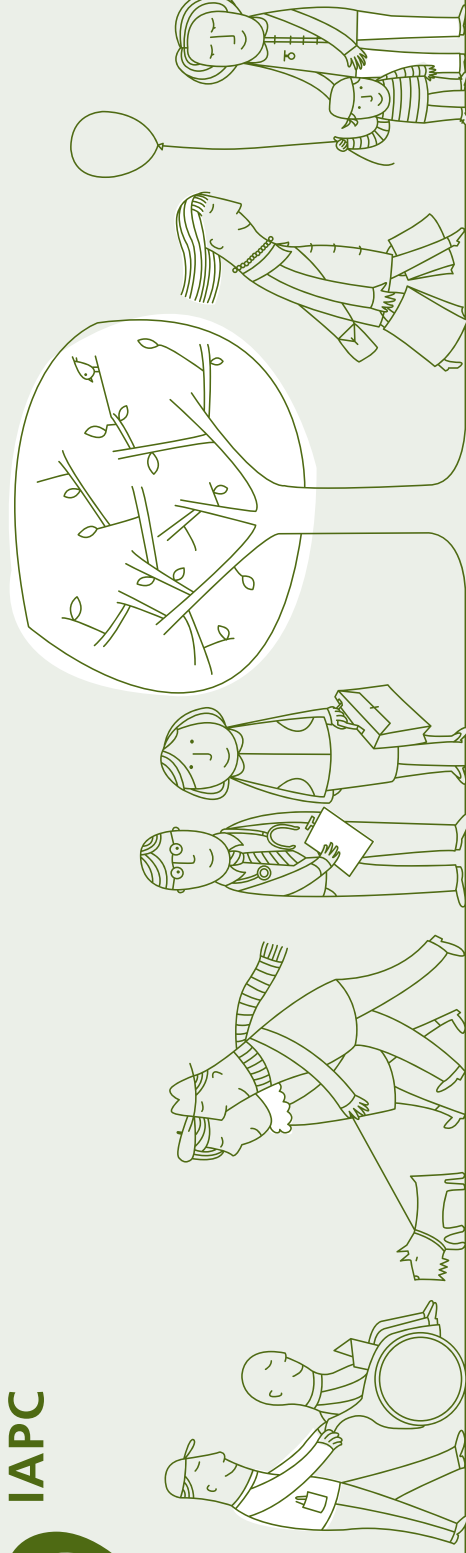
- Increase awareness of the Palliative Care needs of people with Neurological Diseases
- Examine how Palliative Care can enhance the quality of Neurological Care for patients across all settings
- Highlight national and international approaches to both Neurological Care and Palliative Care
- Promote a collaborative approach to holistic care – involving both neurological and palliative care services, through the sharing of ideas and research
- Enable an audience of health and care professional to network and share ideas and explore issues around palliative care and neurological diseases

Who should attend?

Doctors, nurses, social workers, senior health managers, educationalists, policymakers and other health professionals who are involved in palliative care, neurology, gerontology, end-of-life care/aged care and who are committed to improving quality of care for patients.

The Conference will provide an excellent opportunity for specialists and trainees, researchers, clinicians as well as GPs, specialist nurses and allied health professionals, to update and extend their knowledge of both neurological diseases and Palliative Care needs.

The programme will be relevant to health professionals working in hospitals, aged care facilities and community health services, including specialist palliative care.



9.00 – 16.00
Friday 25 November 2011
Aviva Stadium, Dublin 4

Please note the Conference will be followed by the
Annual General Meeting of the Irish Association for Palliative Care
(16.00 - 16.30)

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

8.15	Registration Opens (Tea/Coffee available)	
9.00	Welcome and Opening Address · Prof Philip Larkin, IAPC Chairperson, Professor of Clinical Nursing, UCD and Our Lady's Hospice, Harold's Cross, Dublin	
9.20	Palliative Care Frameworks in Neurology: an overview of international guidelines and initiatives · Dr Peter Bede, MD, MRCP, Research Fellow in Neurology, Trinity College Dublin	
9.45	Parkinson's Disease: An Overview: Diagnosis to Palliative Care · Mr Brian Magennis, Clinical Nurse Specialist – Parkinson's and Movement Disorder, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin	
10.15	A Narrative Analysis of Dying with Motor Neurone Disease · Dr Sinead O'Toole, Nurse Lecturer, School of Nursing, Midwifery & Health Systems, University College Dublin	
10.45	Tea/Coffee - Opportunity to Visit Trade Stands	
11.00	An Overview of Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP) and Cortico Basal Degeneration(CBD): · Symptoms, Care and Management · Ms Kat Haines, Nurse Specialist, The Progressive Supranuclear Palsy Association	
11.30	Dementia and Palliative Care · Dr Mary Cosgrave, Consultant Psychiatrist in the Psychiatry of Old Age, Clinical Director St Joseph's Intellectual Disability Service, Executive Clinical Director, North Dublin Mental Health Service	
12.00	A Patient's Story: Living with Motor Neurone Disease	
12.15	Participants' Roundtable and Panel Discussion · Chair: Prof Philip Larkin, IAPC Chairperson	
12.45	Lunch - Opportunity to Visit Trade Stands	
14.00	Palliative Care in Paediatric Neurodisability · Dr Joanne Balfé, Consultant Paediatrician, The Children's Sunshine Home, Dublin	
14.30	Palliative Care and Neurological Disease: Ethics Reflections · Prof David Smith, Associate Professor of Healthcare Ethics, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, Dublin	
15.00	Specialist Palliative Care in Neurology – is everything all right? · Dr Tony O'Brien, Consultant Physician in Palliative Medicine, St Patrick's Hospital/Marymount Hospice, Cork	
15.30	Participants' Roundtable and Panel Discussion · Chair: Dr Karen Ryan, Clinical Lead HSE Palliative Care Programme; Consultant in Palliative Medicine, St Francis Hospice and Mater Hospital, Dublin	
15.55	Closing Remarks · Prof Philip Larkin, IAPC Chairperson	16.00
16.00	Irish Association for Palliative Care (IAPC) Annual General Meeting – IAPC Members only	16.30
		Conference Closed
		AGM Closed