



Irish Association For Palliative Care Annual Conference 2012

Living and Dying in The Extended Care Setting

Current Challenges and Future Expectations: The Palliative Care Perspective

Friday 16 November 2012 · Davenport Hotel, Dublin 2

It is one of the greatest achievements of our time that people are living longer and enjoying a better quality of life and wellbeing than ever before. Today, Ireland's older population (65+) stands at half a million people. Within a decade that population is expected to be 775,000. However, with longevity comes a growth in age-related health problems, with an increase in some chronic health conditions, disability and frailty. For those with complex health needs and advanced frailty the demand for nursing home and long stay residential care is set to grow.

Already the challenges of meeting the palliative care and end-of-life care needs of the older persons in nursing and long-term residential homes are increasingly apparent. Defining quality of life and quality of care for older people throughout their stay in long term settings must of necessity include access to and availability of appropriate levels of palliative care, as and when the need arises. Coupled with the projected growth in the elderly population, this has significant implications for the future provision and delivery of palliative care for those in extended care settings.

This conference aims to ...

- Provide a national and international overview of palliative care provision in extended care settings
- Highlight the current challenges in meeting the needs of those requiring palliative care and end of life care in these settings
- Outline anticipated demands and expectations in relation to palliative care and end of life care for those with complex health needs in nursing / long-stay units.
- Examine approaches aimed at addressing the current access to and delivery of palliative care in long term care settings
- Provide a forum for specialist palliative care professionals and healthcare professionals in related areas to consider how best to ensure that older persons in long term care have access to and can avail of the benefits of palliative care and end-of-life care according to their needs

Who should attend?

- Doctors, nurses, social workers, and all members of the multidisciplinary team who deliver Specialist Palliative Care as well as GPs, clinicians and other health professionals who are involved in the provision of palliative care, gerontology, end-of-life care/aged care, old age psychiatry and neurology, and who are committed to improving the quality of care especially for those in long-term care settings.
- The programme offers an opportunity for managers, staff and social and healthcare professionals delivering care in nursing homes, aged care facilities and community health services, to update and extend their knowledge and practice of palliative care. The programme will be relevant also to senior health managers, educationalists, researchers, and policymakers.

The programme and discussion fora at this Conference on the current challenges and future expectations for palliative care in extended care settings will generate an IAPC position paper with the purpose of informing decision-making, building capacity and shaping policy on the provision of palliative care for those in long-stay care.

REGISTRATION FORM (closing date for registration is 12 November 2012)

Full Name :	
Organisation :	Work Title :
Address :	Tel/Mobile :
	Email address :
	IAPC Member: yes <input type="radio"/> no <input type="radio"/>
Signature :	Date :
Special Requirements (please specify) :	

Registration Fee (to include refreshments, lunch, conference folder, certificate of attendance)	Rate	IAPC member Rate
Nurses, Allied Health Professionals, Other Disciplines	€85	€60
Doctors	€115	€90

Payment Method

(i) Register and Pay online at www.palliativecare.ie

(ii) Enclose a cheque or postal order made payable to 'The Irish Association for Palliative Care' or

Please send invoice to (name, please print) :

and return registration form to The Administrator, Irish Association for Palliative Care, Coleraine House, Coleraine Street, Dublin 7

The Conference will be followed by the **Annual General Meeting of the Irish Association for Palliative Care (16.30 - 17.00).**

PROGRAMME

Palliative Care & Long Stay Care Setting the Scene

Chair –
Dr Paul Gregan,
Consultant in
Palliative Medicine,
Our Lady’s Hospice
and Care Services,
Blackrock Hospice, Dublin

08.15	Registration Opens	
09.00	Opening and Welcome	Prof Philip Larkin, IAPC Chairperson Professor of Clinical Nursing, UCD and Our Lady’s Hospice, Dublin
09.10	Palliative Care in Long-term Care Settings for Older People: An International Perspective	Dr Katherine Froggatt, Senior Lecturer, International Observatory on End of Life Care, Division of Health Research, Faculty of Health and Medicine, Lancaster University, UK
09.55	Current Challenges for End of Life Care in Extended Care Settings	Ms Una Molloy, Project Nurse, St Francis Hospice, Dublin
10.10	Death and Dying in Nursing Homes - Implications of Staff Diversity	Prof Eamon O’Shea, Personal Professor, School of Business and Economics, NUI Galway
10.30	Managing change towards end of life: The patient and family experience	Ms Irene Murphy, Director of Bereavement and Family Support Services, Marymount Hospice, Cork
10.50	Spiritual Comfort and the Needs of the Elderly in Long Stay Settings	Mr Brian O’Halloran, Pastoral Care, Milford Care Centre, Limerick
11.10	Refreshments and Opportunity to View Exhibition Stands	
11.30	Symptom Assessment in the medically frail – the challenge of communicating	Dr Regina McQuillan, Consultant in Palliative Medicine, St Francis Hospice & Beaumont Hospital, Dublin
11.50	Care Planning in Nursing Homes – Ethical Considerations	Dr Joan McCarthy, Lecturer, Nursing & Midwifery, University College Cork
12.10	Roundtable Forum and Panel Discussion	Chair – Dr Paul Gregan, Consultant in Palliative Medicine, Our Lady’s Hospice and Care Services, Blackrock Hospice, Dublin

12.45 Lunch and Opportunity to View Exhibition Stands

Palliative Care & Long Stay Care Future Expectations

Chair –
Dr Paul D’Alton,
Head and Clinical Lead,
Department of
Psycho-Oncology,
St Vincent’s University
Hospital, Dublin

13.45	The importance of Palliative Care to Quality of Life in Long-Stay Care	Ms Sinéad Morrissey, Practice Development Facilitator, Nursing Homes Ireland, Dublin
14.10	The Dementia Challenge for End of Life Care in Long Stay Care	Dr Suzanne Cahill, Research Senior Lecturer, Trinity College Dublin, Director, Dementia Services Information & Development Centre, Living with Dementia Programme
14.30	Improving End of Life Care for older people in residential care settings: a link nurse initiative	Dr Kevin Connaire, Director of Education, St Francis Hospice Dublin
14.50	The Patient Priority Pledge: Quality in Action	Ms Pauline Newnham, Director of Nursing, Our Lady’s Hospice & Care Services, Dublin
15.10	Ensuring Person Centered Care in Nursing Homes: Future Challenges for Palliative Care	Prof Des O’Neill, Associate Professor Dept. of Gerontology & Age Related Health Care Unit, Adelaide & Meath Hospital, Tallaght Dublin
15.40	Roundtable Forum and Panel Discussion	Chair – Dr Paul D’Alton, Head and Clinical Lead, Department of Psycho-Oncology, St Vincent’s University Hospital, Dublin
16.10	Closing Remarks	Prof Philip Larkin, IAPC Chairperson Professor of Clinical Nursing, UCD and Our Lady’s Hospice, Dublin

16.15 Conference Closes

16.30	Irish Association for Palliative Care (IAPC) Annual General Meeting	IAPC MEMBERS ONLY
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