

DMHG NDTP Training Lead

# Newsletter

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Supporting NCHD Wellbeing, Education & Training



*HSE: Health Service Executive  
"Building a better Health Service"*

*NDTP: National Doctors Training & Planning  
"Investing in the career development of doctors"*



# INTRODUCTION

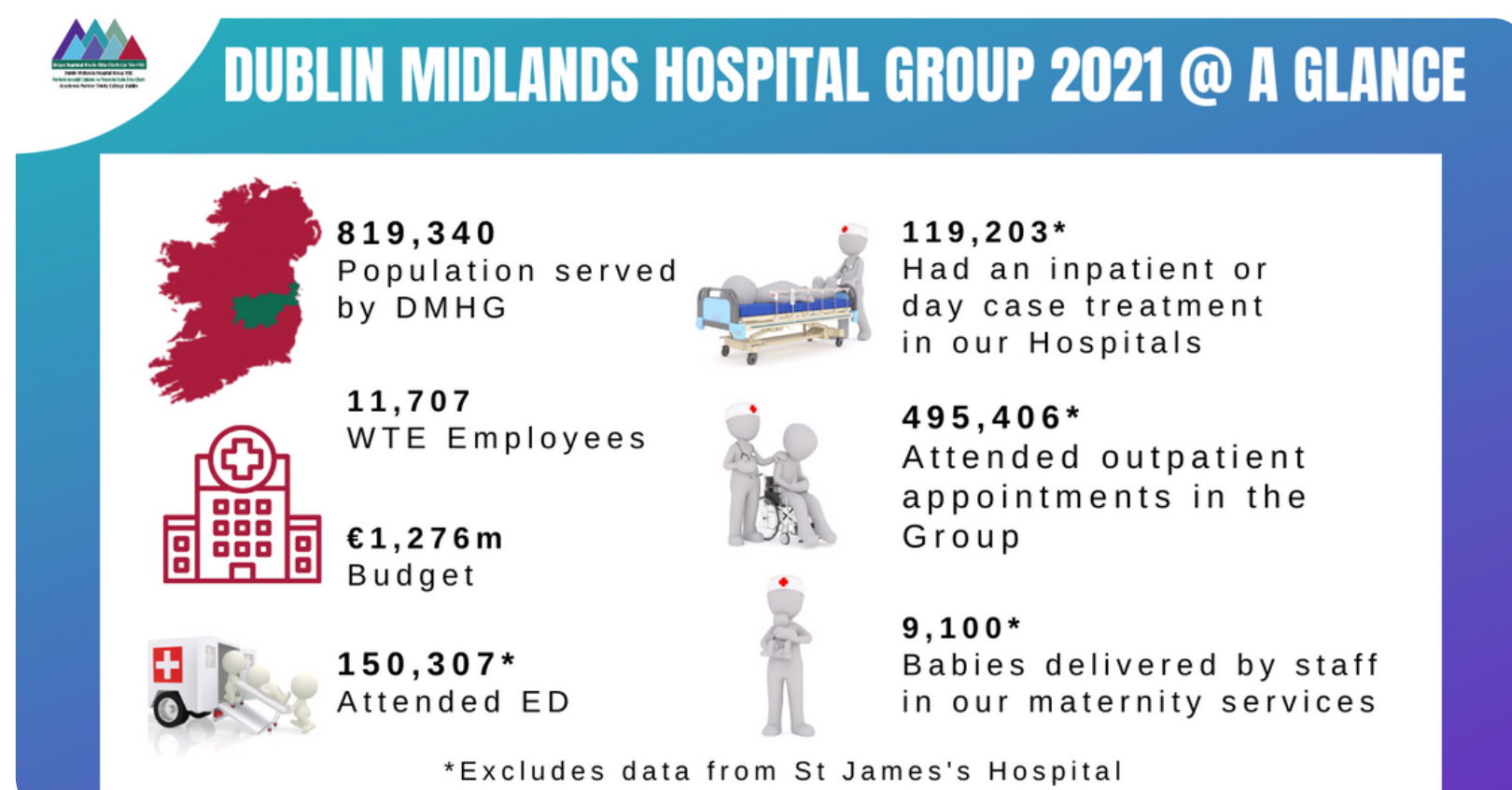
## BACKGROUND

National Doctors Training & Planning (NDTP) assessed that there was a requirement to establish an HSE appointed training lead or leads (as deemed appropriate by NDTP) in each hospital group. The Training Lead(s) has overall responsibility for all hospitals within that group, and is responsible for ensuring that the criteria as laid out in the Medical Council document is met. The role does not replace or substitute the current training roles within sites.



The training lead co-ordinates and acts as a central point of contact for all generic training related issues, particularly from an educational governance perspective and relating to external stakeholders, supporting the delivery of training as appropriate to each Clinical Site.

The Dublin Midlands Hospital Group is composed of 7 hospitals and has over 850 NCHDs across all specialties. The Chief Clinical Academic Officer is Professor Martina Hennessy. There are two NDTP Training Leads for the Group who are advocates for NCHDs for generic teaching and education issues. They are Prof Robert Eager and Dr Darragh Shields supported by Ms Joanne Finneran, admin support.





# WELCOME MESSAGE

We are delighted to welcome you to our 1st NDTP Training lead Newsletter. Our role is to support NCHDs across the Dublin Midlands Hospital Group. We are advocates for all NCHDs including NCHDs who are not currently enrolled on a postgraduate training programme. Through past initiatives, we linked in with your respective Lead NCHDs and Medical Workforce department and will continue to strengthen this link going forward.

The purpose of this Newsletter is to increase NCHD awareness and communicate initiatives provided by us to support NCHD Education and Training at site level.

We welcome any feedback and can be contacted by emailing [NDTP.DM@hse.ie](mailto:NDTP.DM@hse.ie)



*The above picture was taken at our Annual NCHD Research Competition, held on the 16th June 2022  
(Click [here](#) for further information)*



## MEET THE TEAM



**Prof. Robert Eager**  
**NDTP Training Co-Lead**  
**Dublin Midlands Hospital Group**

Professor Robert Eager FRCEM is a Consultant in Emergency Medicine in Midland Regional Hospital Tullamore.

For more information click [here](#)



**Dr. Darragh Shields**  
**NDTP Training Co-Lead**  
**Dublin Midlands Hospital Group**

Dr Darragh Shields is a Consultant in Emergency Medicine at St. James's Hospital Dublin.

For more information click [here](#)



**Joanne Finneran**  
**Admin Support to the NDTP**  
**Training Leads Dublin Midlands**  
**Hospital Group**

Admin support to the Training leads.  
Located in Midlands Regional  
Hospital Tullamore

# CHIEF CLINICAL ACADEMIC OFFICER (CCAO)



Professor Martina Hennessy

Chief Clinical Academic Officer  
(CCAO) of the Dublin Midlands  
Hospital Group (DMHG)

Click [here](#) for further  
information

The CCAO is responsible for developing a structured and integrated approach to research, innovation, education and training for all healthcare professionals in the DMHG. The DMHG which includes its Academic Partner Trinity College Dublin (TCD), is one of the largest of 7 hospital groups established as a key transitional step in a Government initiative to reorganise the Public Health System.

## CCAO UPDATE

A welcome message from the CCAO will follow in our next issue.





## BACKGROUND

Funding is allocated to the Training Leads to support NCHD Education and Training at site level. This funding is used for the direct provision of postgraduate training at site level as well as towards local projects designed to support NCHD training and experience at site level. Funding provided is to support all NCHDs including NCHDs who are not currently enrolled on a postgraduate training programme.

The funding is used to support:

- Minor capital projects to improve on site NCHD facilities in areas such as on-call facilities, out of hours catering facilities, lockers, NCHD residence etc.
- Provision of postgraduate training and education at site level for NCHDs

The funds are governed by the Training Leads with the assistance of the DMHG Training Subcommittee, consisting of nominated consultant representative(s) and the Lead NCHDs from each hospital site.



# SUMMARY OF FUNDS

The following is a list of funding initiatives supported by the DMHG NDTP Training Leads. Funding was sourced principally from NDTP with support from DMHG. The number of projects does not reflect the overall spending at each site

## COOMBE WOMEN & INFANT UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

Covid Tech Funding

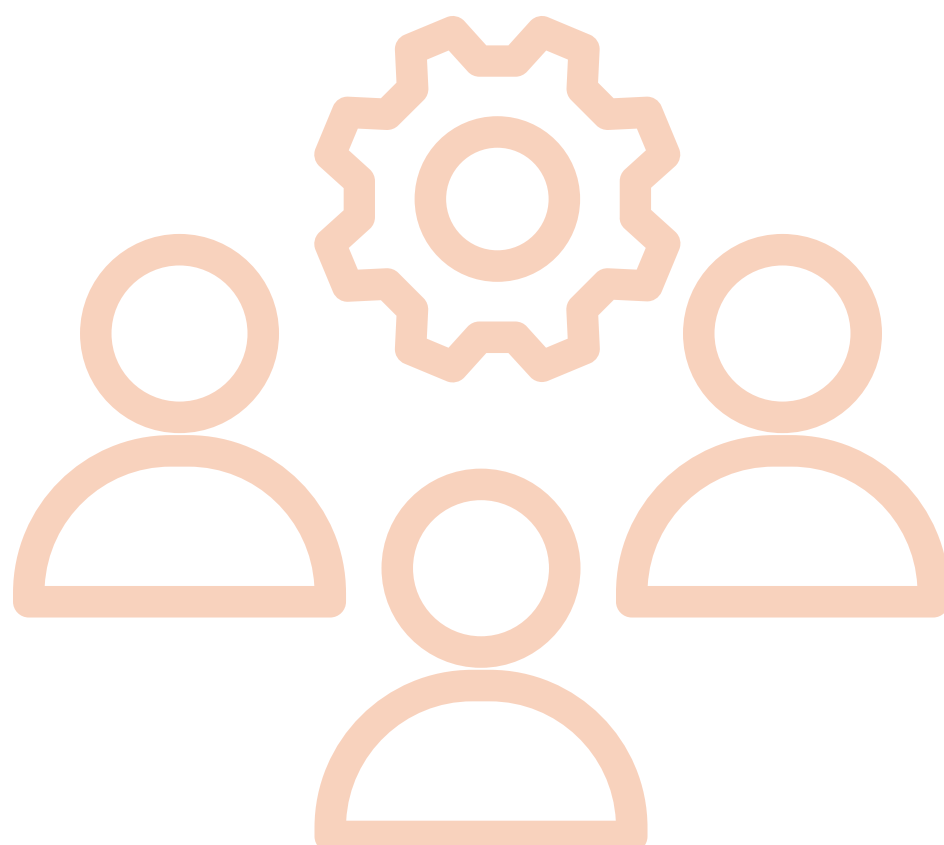
Project – Make Periods Great Again

Project – Development of Breastfeeding Room for NCHDs

Project – At Your Cervix: Bringing an NCHD Focus to Simulation Training on the Labour Ward

Project – Laparoscopic Training Equipment

Project – Building Access to Simulation Training for all NCHDs at The Coombe





## MIDLAND REGIONAL HOSPITAL PORTLAOISE

Covid Tech Funding

Project – One Step Ahead : Interactive Teaching Course

Project – NCHD Wellbeing Project

## MIDLAND REGIONAL HOSPITAL TULLAMORE

Covid Tech Funding

Simulation – Wound Moulage, Cardiac Resus Bundle

Project – Consultant-led suturing boot camps for interns rotating through MRHT

Project – Animation enhanced video library for NCHDs in the Dublin Midlands Group

Project – Wellbeing Matters

Project – High Fidelity Geriatric Manikin for accurate NCHD teaching and simulation



## NAAS GENERAL HOSPITAL

Covid Tech Funding

Project - Operation Relax

Project - NCHD Wellbeing

## ST. JAMES'S HOSPITAL

Project - Establishing a Point-of-Care Ultrasound Hub in the DMHG

Project - Wellness through the optimisation of sleep, rest, work and environment

Project - Simulation Equipment

## ST. LUKES RATHGAR

Covid Tech Funding

Project - Naso-endoscopy Training Workshop for Radiation Oncology Registrars

Project - Upgrading of two registrar offices



## TALLAGHT UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

Project – Training Interns on Point of care ultrasound to secure peripheral IV access

Project – Facilities of Res for NCHDs in TUH

Project – Multidisciplinary Simulation Facility

## DMHG EDUCATION & TRAINING

DMHG NDTP Training Lead Website

Jo Irwin, i4training Webinar Series:

- Interview Skills
- Resilience & Positive Mental Health
- Effective Virtual Patient Engagement

NCHD Research Competition:

This is a yearly event with a prize for the winning presentation on

- Original Research
- Completed Audit Cycle
- Completed Quality Improvement Project

Simulation Diploma



# NOTICE BOARD

## TRAINING LEAD NEWS

- Jo Irwin, i4Training facilitated a successful **Interview Skills Webinar**, held on the 6th of January 2023 with over 80 participants
- Following the success of our yearly **NCHD Competition**, we plan to run this competition on Thursday, the **8th of June 2023 at SJH/TCD this year**. Further details will be provided in the coming weeks. Click [here](#) to view our 2022 Competition
- A reminder to check out our **website**, created for all NCHDs in the group with information on supports available to NCHDs. Click [here](#) for further information
- The **Training Lead office** is managed by Joanne Finneran, and available Monday to Friday during core hours. Contact [ndtp.dm@hse.ie](mailto:ndtp.dm@hse.ie) or phone 087 1725352
- We **welcome Prof. Martina Hennessy**, who was recently appointed as Chief Clinical Academic Officer (CCAO) for Dublin Midlands Hospital Group and look forward to working with her. Click [here](#) for further information

## NDTP NEWS

- New **TSS** policy effective from January 9th 2023.
- National Doctors Training & Planning **Strategic Plan 2022-2027** launched on the 11th November 2022 by the Professor Brian Kinirons, Medical Director NDTP
- The National Employment Record (**NER**)**App** is Now Available

Visit the [NDTP website](#) for further information or click [here](#).



# DMHG LEAD NCHD

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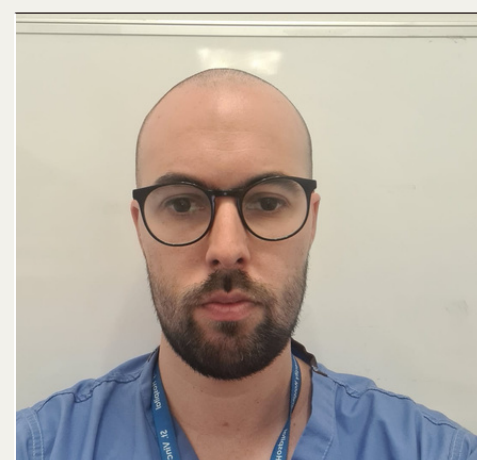
The LEAD NCHD role is critical to two way communication between NCHDs and the management structures in hospitals, benefiting NCHDs and patients. The Lead NCHDs are supported by the NDTP Trainer Leads and are encouraged to attend key meetings about issues affecting NCHDs, have regular meetings with their clinical director and chair the local NCHD committee.



Dr. Aoife Raja  
Lead NCHD MRHP\*



Dr. Barbara Burke  
Lead NCHD CWIUH\*



Dr. Cathal Doherty  
Lead NCHD NGH\*



Dr. Claire Doyle  
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Dr. Emma Connolly  
Lead NCHD SLRON\*



Dr. James Hanratty  
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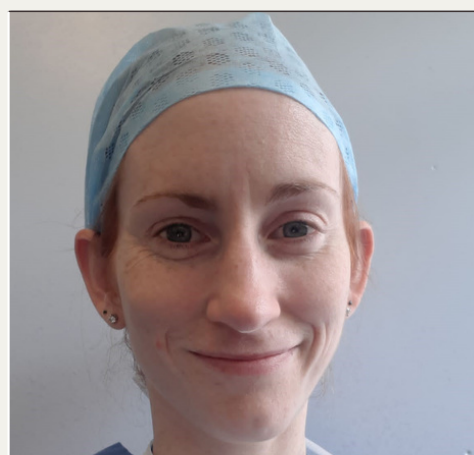
Dr. Joseph Deegan  
Lead NCHD SJH\*



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Lead NCHD MRHT\*

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