

Recovery, resilience and reform

Clinical programmes conference draws large crowd

Almost 300 delegates gathered on a wet Friday morning in Croke Park for the first National Clinical Programmes Conference Day since the advent of the COVID-19 pandemic. The wet weather didn't dampen the mood as colleagues were eager to meet in person, some for the first time.

The conference theme focused on recovery, resilience and reform. The opening address came from our HSE Chief Clinical Officer, Dr Colm Henry, who spoke about the impact and HSE response to COVID-19, lessons learned from the pandemic and the need to build on the momentum gathered in areas such as healthcare digitalisation.

This was followed by the Minister for Health Stephen Donnelly, who focused on the impact of the National Clinical Programmes (NCPs) and Sláintecare on our healthcare system. Stephen Mulvany, HSE Acting CEO, subsequently outlined to the audience his vision of translating strategy and corporate objectives into building resilience and lasting. The morning session concluded with a lively panel discussion from Dr Henry, Dr Philip Crowley, HSE National Director, Strategy & Research, Mr Damien McCallion, HSE Chief Operations Officer, Mr Mulvany and Dr Siobhán Ní Bhriain, HSE National Clinical Director, Integrated Care, on the topic of 'What we need to do to absorb, adapt and transform reflecting upon the last three years in the system to build lasting reform'.

Coffee break gave the opportunity for delegates to peruse the 40 posters on display which showcased innovative quality improvement work led by the national clinical programmes, while also highlighting the extensive stakeholder collaboration between the programmes and clinical community and patients/services users.

The winning poster of the NCP Conference Day Poster Competition was 'NCP for Paediatrics and Neonatology Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic'. The award was accepted by Jacqueline de Lacy, Programme Manager, on behalf of NCP Paediatrics and Neonatology. Dr Tara

Gill and Dr Mustafa Mehmood received a special commendation for their work on 'Domestic violence in Emergency Department in St James's hospital', during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The mid-morning session kicked off with Professor Samuel Cromie, Director, Centre for Innovative Human System, TCD, presenting on 'What do we mean by a resilient healthcare system?' Jean Kelly, Clinical Lead and Operational Site Manager for the Vaccine Programme in CHO2, and Irene Maguire, Senior Physiotherapist, HSE West, finished this session by introducing 'Better Together', the Health Services Patient Engagement Roadmap.

The afternoon session breakout rooms gave delegates the opportunity to hear about further developments by the clinical programmes as well as HSE strategic projects, innovation and Sláintecare-funded initiatives. The national clinical programmes shared learnings on how they have designed, developed and supported the implementation of clinical models of care and pathways over the past three years, aimed at improving/ reforming population healthcare, focusing on health and wellbeing, enhancing the quality of healthcare and a re-orientating healthcare to the community. Speakers from the innovation breakout room covered topics from genetics and genomics to new roles and services across a mix of healthcare professions. While some of the Sláintecare Funding initiatives covered included: SMILE: Supporting Multi-morbidity self-care through Integration, Learning and eHealth; Social Prescribing; Integrated Care Pathway for the Management of Headache/ Migraine; Heart Failure Virtual Consultation Service and 'Living Well' to name a few.

On behalf of both the CCO and Dr Siobhán Ní Bhriain, Clinical Design and Innovation would like to thank all the speakers as well as attendees who made this year's conference so enjoyable. *For those of you who would like more information on the Conference including some of the presentations from the day please visit <https://www.bse.ie/eng/about/who/cspd/resources/conference-resources/>*

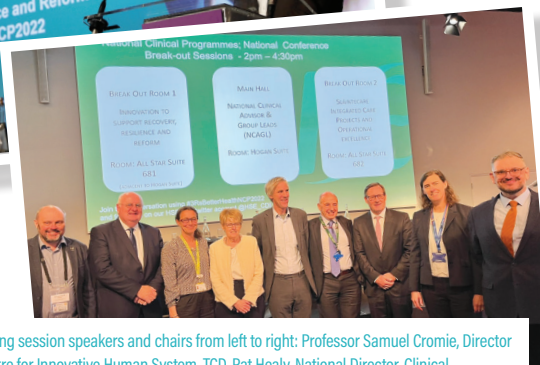


Dr Siobhán Ní Bhriain, National Clinical Director, Integrated Care presenting at the National Clinical Programmes Conference Day 2022.



Dr Colm Henry, Chief Clinical Officer, presenting at the National Clinical Programmes Conference Day 2022.

Morning session speakers and chairs from left to right: Dr Siobhán Kennelly, Consultant Geriatrician, Connolly Hospital/ CHO9; Dr Colm Henry, Chief Clinical Officer; Dr Siobhán Ní Bhriain, National Clinical Director, Integrated Care; Dr Philip Crowley, National Director for Strategy and Research; Prof Áine Carroll, School of Medicine, UCD.



Mid-morning session speakers and chairs from left to right: Professor Samuel Cromie, Director of the Centre for Innovative Human System, TCD, Pat Healy, National Director, Clinical Programme Implementation & Professional Development, Irene Maguire, Senior Physiotherapist, HSE West, Jean Kelly, Clinical Lead and Operational Site Manager, Vaccine Programme CHO2, Fran Thompson, Chief Information Officer, Professor Richard Greene, Chief Clinical Information Officer, Prof Ristéard Ó Laoide, National Director, National Cancer Control Programme, Dr Eimear Brannigan, National Clinical Lead, Antimicrobial Resistance & Infection Control, Dr Paul Kavanagh, National Health Intelligence Unit, HSE Strategy and Research.