National Fellow for Innovation and Change



Dr Ivan Yu

My name is Ivan Yu and I am delighted to be appointed as one of the Spark fellows for 2021-2022. I am a University College Dublin Medical graduate (2016) with a Masters degree in Evidence-Based Healthcare from University College London.

Having completed my internship in Connolly Hospital, I continued my medical training on the Paediatric Basic Specialist Training scheme and then transitioned into an academic role as a clinical lecturer with the Royal College of Surgeons Ireland. Following my short stint in academics, I returned to clinical work and training on the Paediatric Higher Specialist Training programme.

This fellowship role is one I am passionate about and believe it provides an excellent opportunity to support my fellow healthcare professional colleagues in promoting innovation. In the last year, healthcare professionals have demonstrated excellent ways to adapt to changing situations and come up with innovative solutions.

I believe those working on the ground are in a perfect position to recognise problems and provide solutions to make positive meaningful changes to our healthcare system for the betterment of our patients. I hope to help drive these changes and provide support to my colleagues.