

# 2025 SPHeRE CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

09:00 Registration

09:30 Welcome Address and Updates on the SPHeRE Programme

Prof Ali Khashan, SPHeRE National Director, UCC

09:40 From SPHeRE to Success: How Alumni are Impacting Population Health, Policy and Health Services Research

Prof Anne Hickey, RCSI, SPHeRE Co-Founder with Programme alumni Prof Brian Cleary, Dr Barbara Clyne and Dr Kieran Walsh

10:10 Keynote Address: *“Supporting health policy and health system reform: what can an academic do?”*

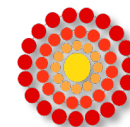
**Prof Lucy Gilson, University of Cape Town/London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine**

*Chaired by Prof Mary Clarke, SPHeRE Programme Co-Director, RCSI*

10:55 Coffee & Moderated Poster Presentations

## AM PARALLEL SESSIONS

	Health systems & Health policy (Exam Hall)	Primary care research (TR1)	Chronic disease (TR2)	Maternal & child health (TR3)
<b>Chair:</b>	<b>Dr Sarah Barry, RCSI</b>	<b>Prof Susan Smith, TCD</b>	<b>Prof Molly Byrne, UoG</b>	<b>Prof Keelin O'Donoghue, UCC</b>
<b>11:20</b>	<p><b>Dr Tina Bedenik</b></p> <p>“If it wasn’t for us, there would be no data”: Stakeholders’ perspectives on patient involvement in the use of health data in Ireland: a cross-sectional qualitative study.</p>	<p><b>Laura O’Connor</b></p> <p>Addressing research priorities in the management of chronic conditions in primary care; Utilising the results of a James Lind Alliance priority setting partnership.</p>	<p><b>Dr Edel Burton for Alizeh Akhtar</b></p> <p>Association Between Treatment of Depression and 10-Year Cardiovascular Disease Risk: A Cross-Sectional Study Using Data from The Irish Longitudinal Study on Ageing (TILDA).</p>	<p><b>Ciara Kidd</b></p> <p>The Association between Threatened Miscarriage in Early Pregnancy and Offspring Reported Mental Health Outcomes in Adolescence.</p>
<b>11:40</b>	<p><b>Ellen McHugh</b></p> <p>Planning for Future Healthcare Needs.</p>	<p><b>Marta Dobric</b></p> <p>Helicobacter pylori eradication treatment in Ireland: analysis of national prescribing trends from 2015 to 2019.</p>	<p><b>Dr Celine Larkin</b></p> <p>Systematic review of international acute asthma guidelines: Identifying recommendations suitable for “adoption”</p>	<p><b>Elizabeth Bodunde</b></p> <p>Exploring the Impact of Pregnancy and Birth Complications on Long-term Maternal Mental Health Issues - A Qualitative Descriptive Study</p>
<b>12:00</b>	<p><b>Dr Paul Leavy</b></p> <p>How and why do health system factors influence general dentists’ participation in publicly funded, contracted primary dental care services: a realist review.</p>	<p><b>Oanh Nguyen</b></p> <p>Trends in Utilisation and Expenditure of Drugs for the Treatment of Overactive Bladder on the General Medical Services Scheme in Ireland.</p>	<p><b>Dr Catherine N Moran</b></p> <p>Establishing a Core Dataset for Acute Stroke Care Audit in Ireland: A Stakeholder-Informed Approach Aligned with International Practices</p>	<p><b>Dr Tommy Harty</b></p> <p>A national survey on pregnancy loss under 24 weeks in the workplace: experiences and supports at work</p>
<b>12:20</b>	<p><b>Lusine Mac Conghail</b></p> <p>Examining the Roles, Relationships and Power Dynamics shaping Universal Health System Policy Processes in High- and Upper-Middle-Income Countries: A Scoping Review</p>	<p><b>Dr Aimée Cody for Dr Edel Burton</b></p> <p>Dispensing Trends of Commonly Prescribed Paediatric Medications in Ireland from 2016-2024: A Cross-sectional Study.</p>	<p><b>Dr Pauline Dunne</b></p> <p>Evaluating the feasibility of a primary care intervention to address type 2 diabetes risk after gestational diabetes.</p>	<p><b>Zeinab El-Dirani</b></p> <p>Interventions before and after pregnancy for women who experience severe nausea and vomiting of pregnancy: a scoping review.</p>
<b>12:40</b>	<p><b>Orla Jenkins</b></p> <p>Herpes zoster (shingles) vaccination in Ireland: a health technology assessment.</p>	<p><b>Corrinna Moore</b></p> <p>Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) in Ireland: The General Practitioner’s View.</p>	<p><b>Éadaoin Flynn</b></p> <p>Dysphagia in Progressive Supranuclear Palsy.</p>	<p><b>Caroline O’Connor</b></p> <p>Parents’ Experiences of Antenatal Care for DCDA Twin Pregnancies in Irish Maternity Services.</p>



13:00 Network Lunch & Moderated Poster Presentations

## 13:50 PARALLEL WORKSHOPS

⇒ *“Becoming a Research Leader”* with Emeritus Prof Vera Morgan, Uni Western Australia & Prof Rose Galvin, UL

⇒ *“Insights into Interdisciplinarity in Innovation”* with Prof Ian Underwood, University of Edinburgh

14:50 Coffee & Moderated Poster Presentations

## PM PARALLEL SESSIONS

	Community engagement & advocacy (Exam Hall)	Health behaviours, equity & access (TR1)	Health economics & policy analysis (TR2)	Cancer research (TR3)
Chair:	Dr Nora Donnelly, HIQA		Prof Sara Burke, TCD	Dr Avril Kennan, HRCI
15:20	<p><b>Avril Easton</b></p> <p>Irish Hospice Foundation dissemination of the findings from Ireland’s first National End of Life Survey.</p>	<p><b>Dr Elaine Toomey</b></p> <p>A scoping review of fidelity frameworks and models for complex health behaviour change interventions.</p>	<p><b>Dr Vivian Umeokwoaka for Dr Olalekan Popoola</b></p> <p>An Updated Systematic Review on the Economic Evaluation of COVID-19 Vaccination</p>	<p><b>Sophie Mulcahy Symmons</b></p> <p>Understanding influences of cervical screening attendance among women of low socio-economic position living in Dublin using the Integrated Screening Action Model</p>
15:40	<p><b>Eunice Phillip</b></p> <p>Community perspectives on health needs and assets in Sláintecare Healthy Community Programme areas in Dublin</p>	<p><b>Dr Martin Boudou</b></p> <p>A review of statistical modelling approaches to inform national low-risk drinking guidelines.</p>	<p><b>Umakanth Vudumula</b></p> <p>Systematic review of the cost effectiveness of tele-dermatology for the triage of referrals from primary care.</p>	<p><b>Róisín Ó Maolalaí</b></p> <p>‘I found it very isolating to be given a diagnosis like that.’ A Qualitative Study of Patient Experiences of Head and Neck Cancer Treatment in Ireland.</p>
16:00	<p><b>Dr Daráine Murphy</b></p> <p>A mixed method study of public and professionals’ readiness to engage with digital health and social care services: Findings from the National Engagement on Digital Health and Social Care</p>	<p><b>Isabelle Coonan</b></p> <p>Alcohol-related trends in consumption, hospitalisations, and deaths in Ireland before MUP implementation.</p>	<p><b>Patrick Kearns</b></p> <p>Assessing the Cost-Effectiveness of Repeated Biomarker Screening Compared to The Khorana Risk Score for Guiding Thromboprophylaxis in Patients on Chemotherapy.</p>	<p><b>Dr Caroline Walsh</b></p> <p>Exploring if a price premium is requested for cancer drugs that seek reimbursement on state-subsidised schemes in Ireland: an analysis of drugs that have undergone a full HTA by the NCPE in Ireland between 2019 and 2023.</p>
16:20	<p><b>Dr Marci Kay Livingston</b></p> <p>Methodological Guidance for Incorporating Lived Experience in the Early Stages of Core Outcome Set Development: A Scoping Review.</p>	<p><b>Ciara Buckley</b></p> <p>Barriers and Facilitators of Help-Seeking for LGBTQ+ Survivors of Sexual Violence: A Systematic Review</p>	<p><b>Barrie Tyner</b></p> <p>Systematic review of out-break costing tools for hospital settings.</p>	<p><b>Aoife Bergin</b></p> <p>Abemaciclib for the adjuvant treatment of early breast cancer in the Irish healthcare setting— a comparison of predicted and real-world utilisation.</p>

16:40 **Keynote Address: “The Politics of Health Policy”**

**Róisín Shortall**, a Co-Founder of the Social Democrats & former Minister of State at the Dept. of Health; in 2017, Róisín chaired the All-Party Committee on the Future of Healthcare which produced the Sláintecare reform plan for the Irish health service. *Chaired by Prof Sara Burke, SPHeRE Programme Co-Director, TCD*

17:25 **Poster Prize & Closing Address**

The winning Poster presenter will give a 3-minute elevator pitch on their research.

The closing address will be given by Prof Sara Burke, SPHeRE Programme Co-Director, TCD