

Living for Today, Planning for Tomorrow

12th September 2023 Stormont Hotel

MSc Research Conference

Programme of Events

9am	Registration, Coffee and Scones
9.30am	Welcome – Opening and Welcome by Chair Dr Esther Beck – Ulster University
9.35am	Opening Address – Mr Colm Gildernew MLA
9.50am	Dr Matthew Dore – Northern Ireland Hospice & Director of Association of Palliative Medicine for Great Britain & Ireland
10.10am	Life and Times Northern Ireland – Key Recommendations for the Future of Advance Care Planning – Dr Rachel Black – Ulster University
10.30am	Caring on the Ground – The Reality – Hilary Ferguson – Specialist Nurse Practitioner in Palliative Care – Northern Ireland Hospice
10.45am	Collaborating to shape the Future of Palliative Care Research Across the Island of Ireland – Dr Emer Brangan – All Ireland Institute of Hospice & Palliative Care
11am	Coffee and Comfort Break
11.20am	Heart Failure Project – Recommendations for the Integration of Palliative Care into Heart Failure Management: Striving for Equity of Care. Dr Tracey McConnell – Queens University Belfast & Marie Curie Northern Ireland
11.45am	Palliative Care – A key Public Health Priority – The Role of the Public Health Agency – Sally Convery – Public Health Agency Northern Ireland
12.00pm	Abstract 1 – The Perspectives of Children’s and Young Person Nursing Students – Top 10 Tips for Healthcare Providers when Caring for a Child with Palliative Care Needs – Fearghal Lewis, Naomh Quinn, Jemma Clarke, Katie Hughes – Queens University Belfast
12.10pm	Abstract 2 – An Evaluation of a Regional Advance Care Planning Educational Intervention – Karen Bowes – Ulster University & Royal College of Nursing
12.20pm	Abstract 3 – Frailty Assessment and Decision-Making in the Nurse-Led Heart Failure Clinic: The Experiences and Perceptions of Heart Failure Nurses – Edith Donnelly and Seana Duggan – Ulster University & SHSCT
12.30	Abstract 4 – A quantitative exploration of the knowledge and attitudes undergraduate Speech and Language Therapist hold towards palliative care and the speech and language therapists’ role within it – Joanne Mullan – Ulster University & WHSCT
12.40pm	Poster Prize Winners selected and presented by Paula Heneghan – Marie Curie
12.45	Closing Address – Dr Janet Diffin – Public Health Agency
1pm-2pm	Buffet Lunch and Networking