

Fostering partnerships in cervical screening

Date: Saturday 19 October 2024 @ 8:30 - 15:45

Venue: Limerick Strand Hotel

8:30	Registration
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Session 1 – Cervical screening in Ireland

9:30	Welcome & introductions	Ms Gráinne Gleeson, CervicalCheck Programme Manager
9:35	Working together in a primary HPV based programme - what the data tells us	Professor Nóirín Russell, CervicalCheck Clinical Director
10:00	“Screening is a process not a single test”: Quality Assurance across the CervicalCheck pathway	Ms Orla Loftus, Knock Medical Centre Mr Randy Henderson, Quest Diagnostics Dr Myra Fitzpatrick, National Maternity Hospital Dr Síne Phelan, Galway University Hospital Ms Laura Tobin, CervicalCheck
10:40	Panel discussion and Q&A	Ms Fiona Murphy, Chief Executive, National Screening Service
11:00	Tea & coffee Viewing of poster presentations	

Session 2 - Follow up of abnormal screening results

11:25	The role of cytology in a HPV screening programme	Dr Corrina Wright, Consultant Cytopathologist & Director, National Cervical Screening Laboratory, Dublin
11:50	Help! Is there any escape from HPV-entrapment?	Professor Maggie Cruickshank, Consultant Gynaecologist, Emeritus Professor at University of Aberdeen

12:15	Modelling for HPV screening into the future – what next?	Dr Caroline Mason Mohan, Director of Public Health, National Screening Service
12:40	Panel discussion and Q&A	Professor Nóirín Russell, CervicalCheck Clinical Director
13:00	Lunch Viewing of poster presentations	

Session 3 - Equity in cervical screening

14:00	Saving the indigenous women, the true custodians of the Amazon Rainforest	Dr Carl Niamatali, Medical Oncologist, Diamond Grove Medical Center, Georgetown, Guyana
14:30	Striving for equity in cervical screening in Ireland	Ms Gráinne Gleeson, CervicalCheck Programme Manager
14:45	Equity in action - perspectives from general practice	Dr Carol Duffy, General Practitioner, Women's Health West, Foxford
15:00	Panel discussion and Q&A	Dr Caroline Mason Mohan, Director of Public Health, National Screening Service
15:15	Prizegiving and summary	Ms Fiona Murphy, Chief Executive, National Screening Service
15:45	Close	

Conference Accreditation and Recognition

- Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland (NMBI): Category 1 approval (to be confirmed)
- Irish College of General Practitioners (ICGP): Recognition of learning (to be confirmed)

The conference will also be recognised as a CervicalCheck clinical update

Speakers



Gráinne Gleeson is the CervicalCheck Programme Manager and joined the National Screening Service in 2018. She holds a BSc (Hons) in Radiography (Therapeutic) from Glasgow Caledonian University, a MSc (Hons) in Leadership from RSCI and more recently a diploma in Business and Executive Coaching from the Coach Institute of Ireland. Gráinne has been in healthcare management since 2008 and was Radiotherapy Services Manager in Galway University Hospital and St James Hospital before becoming the Network Radiotherapy Services Manager in St Luke's Radiation Oncology Network.



Professor Nóirín Russell MD FRCPI is a medical graduate of University College Cork. She works as a Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist at Cork University Maternity Hospital and Honorary Clinical Professor at University College Cork. She has worked as a BS CCP accredited colposcopist since 2012. In August 2020, she was appointed as the Clinical Director of CervicalCheck, the Irish national cervical screening programme. She has recently been appointed to the European Commission Initiative on cervical cancer to work on the development of European clinical practice guidelines and the European quality assurance (QA) scheme. Professor Russell's clinical and research interests include cervical cancer screening, risk assessment in pregnancy, patient safety, quality assurance and staff engagement. She is interested in patient-focussed communication and society-wide discussion of harm in healthcare.



Orla Loftus has a strong commitment to advancing healthcare through ongoing education and professional development. She completed a Master's in Women's Health from the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland in 2005, Nurse Prescribing certificate in 2011 and a Postgraduate Diploma in Advanced Nursing Practice in 2017. Orla worked as principal course tutor for the Irish College of General Practitioners' Cervical Screening course (2007-2010). Recently, she completed CervicalCheck's experienced sample taker training and is currently pursuing a PhD at UCD's School of Nursing, Midwifery, and Health Systems.

Orla is an active member of the CervicalCheck Educational Advisory Group and remains dedicated to promoting high standards in women's healthcare through her work and advocacy.



Randy Henderson, CT (ASCP) is the National Cytology Laboratory Operations Director at Quest Diagnostics, Inc. His responsibilities include development of the Quest Diagnostics strategic vision for the cytology enterprise, implementation and standardization of operational processes and efficiencies that assist in fulfilling all federal, state regulatory and client contractual requirements to maintain quality processes, while delivering exceptional service and value to the customer and the organization. Prior to this role, he served as Anatomic Pathology Director of Operations for the Quest Diagnostics Southeast Region and held multiple leadership roles within the Quest organization. He has been recognized by Quest Diagnostics for his outstanding achievement in Quality and Collaboration. He is a Six Sigma certified Green Belt which allows him to use statistical analysis to focus on quality improvement, such as preventing errors, reducing waste and increasing efficiencies in the laboratory. He earned his Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from Talladega College (AL), a Bachelor of Science in Cytology from the University of Alabama Birmingham (AL), and a Post Baccalaureate Certification from the School of Health-Related Professions Cytotechnologist Program at the University of Alabama Birmingham. He is a member of the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) and regularly attends industry conferences. He enjoys spending time with his family, watching his children participate in various sports, and feeding the homeless in the Tampa Bay area.



Dr. Myra Fitzpatrick, MB BCH BAO, MRCOG, MRCPI, MD, Associate Specialist Gynaecology qualified from University College Dublin in 1992 with an honours degree in Medicine and following an internship in the Mater Hospital, Dublin, commenced her specialist training in the field of Obstetrics and Gynaecology in 1993. She obtained membership of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists in 1996, followed by membership of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland in 1997 and was awarded an MD by University College Dublin for original research on the effects of childbirth on the pelvic floor in 2001. She has worked in the field of Obstetrics and Gynaecology for almost 30 years and in the National Maternity Hospital, Holles Street for the past 20 years. Her main area of practice is colposcopy and she was the clinical lead for colposcopy in Holles Street until recently. She is an accredited trainer with the BS CCP and was involved with the drafting of the current Cervical Check colposcopy guidelines.



Dr Síne Phelan, FRCPath, FFPPath, MD, is a Consultant Histopathologist in Galway University Hospital. She has a special interest in Gynaecological pathology and is the lead pathologist for the Gynaecological pathology and CervicalCheck pathology services in GUH. Dr. Phelan also has a special interest in Quality Improvement and is a former Chair of the Irish National Histopathology QI Programme (RCPI). Dr. Phelan is an elected member of the board of the RCPI Faculty of Pathology and is the current Vice-Dean of the Faculty. She is also the Associate Clinical Director for Laboratory Medicine in Galway University Hospital and last year took up the role of Lead Laboratory Advisor for CervicalCheck.



Laura Tobin took up the position of Deputy Programme Manager, CervicalCheck in January 2022 coming from a career working in acute hospital services where her professional background was physiotherapy. She now manages the operational aspects of programme delivery including leading the Register, Administration and Quality Assurance departments. She also undertakes the role of complaints officer and is involved in the management of incidents and supplier non-conformances. She has an interest in information governance and represents the programme on the NSS information governance steering committee.



Fiona Murphy is the Chief Executive Officer of the HSE's National Screening Service (NSS) in Ireland. The NSS delivers four national population based screening programmes:

- BreastCheck - The National Breast Screening Programme
- CervicalCheck - The National Cervical Screening Programme
- BowelScreen - The National Bowel Screening Programme
- Diabetic RetinaScreen - The National Diabetic Retinal Screening Programme

These programmes aim to reduce morbidity and mortality in the population through early detection of disease and treatment, both of which greatly improve health outcomes.

A pharmacist by background, Fiona has over 25 years' experience in the NHS in Scotland and has worked in a range of roles in Pharmacy and then in senior management positions in Primary & Community Care, Acute & Unscheduled Care, National Information & Intelligence, National Commissioning of Population Screening programmes, Specialist Services and National Care Networks. Fiona returned to Ireland to take up post in the HSE in mid 2020.



Dr Corrina Wright, M.B., B.Ch, B.A.O., FRCPath, MBA, CMgr, is Clinical Director of the National Cervical Screening Laboratory at The Coombe Hospital, and a Consultant Cytopathologist. She is a clinical leader with over fifteen years of NHS consultant experience in improving pathways and outcomes in pathology services and screening programmes.

She is a Professional Clinical Advisor for cervical screening to the national Screening Quality Assurance Service, (SQAS), for NHS England, as well as being a Consultant Cytopathologist and the Research Lead at Cervical Screening London, (CSL). She has been the Clinical Director for North West London Pathology, (NWLP), one of the largest NHS pathology providers in the UK. With her clinical leadership, she helped establish and transform centralised pathology services for a population of over 2 million. In 2024, NWLP won multiple national awards, including the Royal College of Pathologists team achievement award, and was a finalist at the HSJ Digital Awards. She holds senior roles including membership of the Royal College of Pathologists, Certificate in Higher Cervical Cytopathology Training, (CHCCT) examinations committee, NHS England Research and Innovation Development Advisory Committee, (RIDAC), for cervical screening and membership of the CervicalCheck Clinical Advisory Group for the National Screening Service.



Prof Maggie Cruickshank, MB ChB MD FRCOG, is Emeritus Professor/Clinical Consultant of Gynaecology at Aberdeen Centre for Women's Health Research (ACWHR)- University of Aberdeen and NHS Grampian. Prof Cruickshank is also President of the European Federation of Colposcopy (EFC) and past President of the British Society of Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology (BSCCP). Prof Cruickshank chairs the IFCCP training and education committee.



Dr Caroline Mason Mohan (MB BS FRCPI FFPHMI MRCGP MPH) is a medical graduate from the University of London. She worked as a Consultant in Public Health Medicine in Northern Ireland. Dr Mason Mohan is currently a Consultant in Public Health Medicine and the Director of Public Health (DPH) in the National Screening Service (NSS) in Ireland. She was the Interim Clinical Director for the CervicalCheck screening programme from February 2020 – September 2020 and implemented the HPV screening programme during her tenure. She has led on addressing inequity, strengthening quality assurance and embedding the Patient Public Partnership strategy across the NSS.

Dr Mason Mohan and her team have led the partnership across the HSE establishing the Cervical Cancer Elimination project.



Dr Carl Niamatali, is a graduate of NUI Galway and worked in Galway University Hospital in Haematology and Oncology. Following this he worked in Radiation Oncology in Galway University Hospital.

He currently is the Medical Oncologist in Diamond Grove Medical Centre, Georgetown. Dr Niamatali is President Guyana Cancer Prevention Society and member of UICC.



Dr Carol Duffy is an experienced GP from the West of Ireland. She runs a dedicated women's health clinic, Women's Health West, in Foxford, Co Mayo. As mum to four girls and from years working in general practice, she is passionate about giving each woman enough time and attention and holistic gynaecological care.