

Workplace Health Conference & Exhibition

9th - 10th April 2025 La Mon Hotel & Country Club



Every workplace has health rlsks

Find out how to reduce them

Wednesday 9th April 2025

8.00 – 09.00	Registration, Tea/Coffee and E	xhibition		
isleen Suite				
9.00 - 09.10	Welcome from HSENI's Chair of the Board Catherine Irwin MBE, Chair, HSENI			
9.10 - 09.20	Welcome Address (1) Dr Caoimhe Archibald MLA, Minister for the Economy			
9.20 – 09.30	Welcome Address (2) Mr Mike Nesbitt MLA, Minister of Health			
9.30 - 10.00	Protecting tomorrow's workers today Martin Rafferty, Principal Inspector, HSENI			
0.00 – 10.15	Launch of the Workplace Health Advertisement Campaign Darren Lyttle, Creative Director, We Are Genesis			
0.15 – 10.40	Refreshments and Exhibition			
0.40 – 11.10	Occupational Lung Disease, The Local Picture Dr Paul McKeagney, Consultant Respiratory Physician, Belfast Trust			
1.10 – 11.40	Do I need Health/Medical Surveillance? What should I be looking for? Dr Steve Forman, Principal Medical Advisor, HSE & Consultant Occupational Physician			
1.40 – 12.10	Occupational Asthma Professor David Fishwick, Chief Medical Advisor for HSE & HSENI			
2.10 – 12.40	Cancer risks and the Workplace Dr Damien Bennett Director of the Northern Ireland Cancer Registry (NICR) and Dr Dan Middleton, Lecturer, Centre for Public Health, Queen's University Belfast			
2.40 - 13.40	Lunch and Exhibition			
3.40 - 14.10	The Gathering Drum Joe Loughlin, Drum Circle Facilitator, The Gathering Drum			
4.10 - 14.40	Breakout sessions			
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	The synergy from Occupational Health Providers working together Catherine Shannon, Deputy Secretary, NICSHR	Occupational Health Risk Navigator Tool and HSENI Website Laura Hughes, Inspector, HSENI	How to protect yourself from cancers within the workplace Naomi Thompson, Health Improvement Manager Cancer Focus NI	
4.40 - 15.00	Standards, Quality and Value in Occupational Health Dr Robin Cordell, President of the Faculty of Occupational Medicine			
5.00 - 15.25	Refreshments and Exhibition			
5.25 – 15.45	A multi-disciplinary Approach to Occupational Health delivery in NI Dr Martin Tohill, Consultant in Occupational Medicine, Belfast Trust			
5.45 – 16.05	Workplace Health in the Republic of Ireland Dr Adrienne Duff, Assistant Chief Executive, Health and Safety Authority			
6.05 – 16.25	The Importance of Occupational Therapy Diane Keys, Lead Occupational Therapist in Occupational Health, Belfast Trust			
	Condition Management Programme Colin Reilly, Co-Ordinator of the Condition Management Programme (CMP), Belfast Trust			
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Thursday 10th April 2025

•	08.30 - 09.00	Registration, Tea/Coffee and Exhibition
	Lisleen Suite	
•	09.00 - 09.10	Welcome and recap on previous day fro Robert Kidd, Chief Executive, HSENI
•	09.10 - 09.20	Welcome Address Professor Sir Michael McBride, Chief M
•	09.20 - 09.45	Advocating for Occupational Health and Dr Abigail O'Reilly, RCPI Faculty of Occ Occupational Physician
•	09.45 - 10.10	The Impact of Good Occupational Healt Mike Calcutt, Deputy Director, Engage
•	10.10 – 10.35	Occupational Disease Trends Within the Professor Martie Van Tongeren, Unive The Health and Occupation Research I
•	10.35 – 11.00	Refreshments and Exhibition
•	11.00 – 11.25	Mental Well-being within the Workplace Professor Siobhan O'Neill, Mental Hea
•	11.25 – 11.50	Addressing Work Based Stress – Case S Julia Ritchie, Head of Psychological Th Lead, PRRT
•	11.50 – 12.15	Bending over backwards for Manual Ha Matt Birtles, Principal Ergonomist, HSB
•	12.15 - 12.40	Occupational Dermatitis – Scratching the Dr Lucinda McWhor, Occupational Hea
•	12.40 - 13.40	Lunch and Exhibition
•	13.40 - 14.05	The Importance of Water Hygiene and L Duncan Smith, Head of Specialist Divis
•	14.05 – 14.30	Vibration – Are Today's Workers Proper Chris Steele, Principal Specialist Inspe
•	14.30 - 14.55	Menopause and the workplace Dr Andrea Latimer, Occupational Healt Specialist, HSCNI
•	14.55 – 15.20	Refreshments and Exhibition
•	15.20 – 15.45	Joining the Dots - The Role of an Occup Professor Kevin Bampton, Chief Execu
•	15.45 – 16.05	Working on workplace health Clare Moore, Equality & Social Affairs (
	16.05 – 16.30	Survivor Story – Take My Breath Away George Haslett, NI Farmer
	16.30 – 16.55	Reflections on a career in secondary ca Why prevention is even more important Professor David Fishwick, Chief Medic
•	16.55	Day 2 Closing remarks and thanks Robert Kidd, Chief Executive, HSENI Ronan Kelly, Compère
•	Conference End	

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