

INFORMING: Learning from the Past, Developing for the Future

2005 National Seminar Series

Monday 16th May, Westwood House Hotel, Galway Wednesday 1st June, Clarion Hotel, Limerick Tuesday 7th June, Rochestown Park Hotel, Cork

As the largest and longest established drug treatment centre in the country, our aim is to continue providing a broad range of specialist treatments for the homeless drug using population and those requiring specialist psychiatric, psychological, social and medical interventions. We also aim to:-

- Continue improving and developing the services we offer in the treatment of substance misuse.
- Continue to contribute to drug treatment policy.
- Act as a key resource and training centre for professionals working in the area of substance misuse.



During 2004, we ran a very successful series of evening seminars, bringing together many of the leading figures in the treatment and research of drug and alcohol misuse. These were attended by healthcare professionals and those working in all aspects of the addiction services. The Drug Treatment Centre Board aims for 2005 to deliver our education and training countrywide. We invite you to attend a seminar in Cork, Limerick or Galway and we look forward to meeting you!

Sheila Heffernan Sheila Heffernan General Manager















Presentation Speaker

Drug Abuse: A Perspective on Individual and Community Rights Dr John O'Connor

Dr. John O'Connor is the Clinical Director and Consultant Psychiatrist at The Drug Treatment Centre Board, The Rutland Centre. Dr O'Connor is also a Consultant Psychiatrist at Beaumont Hospital. Specialising in substance misuse, Dr. O'Connor is widely published in this field.

Dr. O'Connor is the Irish representative member of the Faculty for the Psychiatry of Substance Misuse with the Royal College of Psychiatrists in London. He is also a member of the "Health Committee" of the Irish Medical Council and of the Expert Sub-Committee of the Irish Medicines Board. Dr. O'Connor is an appointed tutor of the Irish Psychiatric Training Committee for Senior Registrar training. Previous experience includes his role on the Executive Committee of the Irish division of the Royal College of Psychiatrists.

Presentation Speaker

The 4 Tier Model of Addiction Services in Ireland Dr Brion Sweeney

Dr Brion Sweeney is a Consultant Psychiatrist at The Drug Treatment Centre Board where he provides a range of specialist clinical services in the area of substance misuse. This includes the assessment andmanagement of co-morbidity in drug misuse. Dr Sweeney is also a Consultant Psychiatrist in substancemisuse at The Mater Hospital, Clinical Director of substance misuse services in the Health Service Executive Northern Region and holds a Masters degree in Psychotherapy.

Dr Sweeney has extensive experience in the further training of non consultant hospital doctors at The Drug Treatment Centre Board through the Royal College of Psychiatry and has contributed significantly to drug treatment policy and the development of addiction services in Ireland over many years.

Presentation Speaker

Drugs and Alcohol: Should we be approaching them so differently? Dr Joe Barry

Dr Joe Barry is a Specialist in Public Health Medicine with the Health Service Executive Eastern Region and Senior Lecturer in Public Health, Department of Public Health and Primary Care, Trinity College, Dublin

Dr Barry qualified in Medicine from UCC and has worked in Dublin's drug services since 1989. Dr Barry has been Medical Advisor to the National Drug Strategy Team since its establishment in 1996 and was a member of The Drug Treatment Centre Board from 1993 to 2003. Dr Barry is a member of the National Advisory Committee on Drugs and of the Strategic Task Force on Alcohol. Dr Barry has published extensively nationally and internationally on drug related issues.

Presentation Speaker

Hepatitis C and Drug Users Dr Shay Keating

Dr. Shay Keating is an honours graduate in Biochemistry from Trinity College Dublin (TCD), 1980. On completion of his PhD in 1983, He travelled to Berkeley University in California, where he was Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the Nutritional Department. In 1985, he returned to TCD to study Medicine. Dr Keatings postgraduate training was in the Dublin Federated Hospitals, then the Meath, Adelaide and St James's Hospitals.

Dr. Keating currently works at The Drug Treatment Centre Board as a Medical Officer and Occupational Health Physician. His particular clinical and research interest is the medical consequences of intravenous drug use, particularly Hepatitis C infection. Dr Keating has completed a pilot study into the on-site treatment of Hepatitis C in a specialist drug treatment centre and has recently published a booklet titled 'Hepatitis C; a guide for drug users and their families'. Following the success of the pilot study Dr Keating is currently treating Hepatitis C positive patients attending The Drug Treatment Centre Board in liaison with Infectious Diseases Service in St James. Dr Keating is also a specialist general practitioner working in the areas of addiction and sexual health, in the Health Service Executive Eastern Region and private practice.



Presentation Speaker

Drug and Alcohol Use by Irish Teenagers: From an Ireland of Craic to an Island of Crack? Dr Bobby Smyth

Dr Bobby Smyth is a Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist, working full time with adolescents who have addiction problems, based at the Drug Treatment Centre Board and also with the Health Service Executive South Western Region. Dr Smyth completed general psychiatry training in St John of God Hospital, Dublin before undertaking higher specialist training on Merseyside in England. Also currently lecturing in Trinity College on addiction Dr Smyth previously sat on the Executive Committee of the Child Psychiatry section of the Royal College of Psychiatrists.

In addition to his current post, Dr Smyth sat on the Department of Health working party examining treatment services for under 18s with serious addiction problems in Ireland. Dr Smyth is currently on the addiction subgroup of the Expert Group on Mental Health Policy. Dr Smyth has been involved in addiction research for the past ten years and has published numerous research papers in national and international peer reviewed journals.

Presentation Speaker

Drugs: Mood, Memory and Mayhem Dr Des Corrigan

Dr. Desmond Corrigan is a Senior Lecturer in the School of Pharmacy, Trinity College Dublin. Dr Corrigan is Chairperson of the National Advisory Committee on Drugs from 2000 to date and was Chairperson of Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Drugs Taskforce 1997-2000. Dr Corrigan has been a representative of Ireland on the Scientific Committee of the EU's Drugs Agency the EMCDDA since 1994, Vice-Chair 1994-1997, Chair 1997-2000. Dr Corrigan chaired the European Council's Working Party on Drugs during the Irish Presidency from January to June 2004. In that capacity he led the EU delegations to the 47th Session of the UN's Commission on Narcotic Drugs in Vienna in March as well as co-chairing High-Level dialogues between the EU and the Andean Community and the other countries of Latin America and the Caribbean.

Dr. Corrigan lectures extensively on Addiction Studies courses and to teachers, parents, Gardaí and Community Groups. Dr Corrigan is the author of Facts about Drug Misuse in Ireland now in its 4th edition.

Seminar Programme

Time	Information
09.30hrs	Registration
10.00hrs	Seminar Commences
10.05hrs	*Dr John O'Connor - Drug Abuse: A Perspective on Individual and Community Rights
10.40hrs	Dr Brion Sweeney - The 4 Tier Model of Addiction Services in Ireland
11.15hrs	Questions and Answer Session
11.30hrs	Coffee Break
11.45hrs	Dr Joe Barry - Drugs and Alcohol: Should we be approaching them so differently?
12.15hrs	Dr Shay Keating - Hepatitis C and Drug Users
12.50hrs	Questions and Answer Session
13.00hrs	Lunch
14.00hrs	Seminar Re-Commences
14.05hrs	Regional Drug Co-ordinator Presentation - Update on Local Services
14.25hrs	Dr Bobby Smyth - Drug and Alcohol Use by Irish Teenagers
15.10hrs	Dr Des Corrigan - Drugs: Mood, Memory and Mayhem
15.50hrs	Questions and Answer Session
16.00hrs	Conclusion

*On 1st June 2005, Dr Eamon Keenan will replace Dr John O'Connor and present a paper on the subject of "Development of Community Drug Based Services in Ireland". Dr Keenan is a Consultant Psychiatrist in substance misuse at The Drug Treatment Centre Board. He is also Clinical Director of Addiction Services in the HSE South Western Region.

Registration Fee

€140.00 per delegate to include attendance, speaker notes, refreshments and lunch.



Seminar Application Form

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- 02 One application form per delegate.
- 03 All applications should be completed and returned to: 2005 Seminar Series, The Drug Treatment Centre Board, Trinity Court, 30-31 Pearse Street, Dublin 2.
- 04 Only applications accompanied by a purchase order number or payment in full shall be accepted. Cheques should be made payable to "The Drug Treatment Centre Board".

Date:

- 05 Upon receipt and processing of each application, a booking confirmation shall be sent by e-mail/post.
- 06 Seminar Fee includes attendance, speaker notes, refreshments and lunch.
- 07 Cancellations received one month prior to the Seminar shall be refunded.
- 08 Cancellations received after this time are non refundable.
- 09 Substitute A substitute may attend the Seminar in place of the original applicant however The Drug Treatment 10 Centre Board must be notified by e-mail in advance.

Further Information:

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