

## Informing: Learning from the past - Developing for the future Evening Educational Seminars

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Drug Abuse: A Perspective on Individual and Community Rights.</b>
<b>Date</b>	Tuesday, 07 September 2004
<b>Speaker</b>	Dr John O'Connor

Dr. John O'Connor is a Consultant Psychiatrist and Clinical Director at The Drug Treatment Centre Board, Trinity Court / Beaumont Hospital and the Rutland Centre. Specialising in substance misuse, Dr. O'Connor is widely published nationally and internationally in this field. He has a special interest in the treatment of dual diagnosis and addictions within the medical profession.

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 also 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.

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Hepatitis C and Drug Users.</b>
<b>Date</b>	Tuesday, 21 September 2004
<b>Speaker</b>	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. On graduation from medical school, Dr. Keating was an intern, senior house officer and registrar 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. He 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'. He is also a specialist general practitioner working in the areas of addiction and sexual health, in the Eastern Region and private practice.

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Drugs and Alcohol: Should we be approaching them so differently?</b>
<b>Date</b>	Tuesday, 05 October 2004
<b>Speaker</b>	Dr Joe Barry

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

Dr Joe Barry qualified in Medicine from UCC and has worked in Dublin's drug services since 1989. He 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. He is a member of the National Advisory Committee on Drugs and of the Strategic Task Force on Alcohol. He has published extensively nationally and internationally on drug related issues.



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<b>Topic</b>	<b>Drug &amp; Alcohol Use by Irish Teenagers: From an Ireland of craic to an island of crack?</b>
<b>Date</b>	Tuesday, 19 October 2004
<b>Speaker</b>	Dr Bobby Smyth, MRCPsych, Consultant Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist.

Dr Bobby Smyth is a Consultant Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist, working full time with adolescents who have addiction problems. Based at The Drug Treatment Centre Board in Trinity Court and also with the South Western Area Health Board 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 currently sits as part of the on the Department of Health working party examining treatment services for under 18s with serious addiction problems in Ireland. Involved in addiction research for past ten years Dr Smyth has published a dozen research papers in National & International peer reviewed journals.

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Drugs: Mood, Memory and Mayhem</b>
<b>Date</b>	Tuesday, 02 November 2004
<b>Speaker</b>	Dr. Desmond Corrigan

Dr. Desmond Corrigan is a Senior Lecturer in the School of Pharmacy, Trinity College Dublin. Chairperson of the National Advisory Committee on Drugs from 2000 to the present. Chairperson Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Local Drugs Taskforce 1997 -2000. 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 & the Andean Community & the other countries of Latin America & the Caribbean. Dr. Corrigan lectures extensively on Addiction Studies courses & to teachers, parents, Gardaí & community groups. He is the author of Facts about Drug Misuse in Ireland now in its 4th edition.

<b>Seminar Information:</b>	
Location	The Drug Treatment Centre Board, Trinity Court, 30-31 Pearse Street, Dublin 2.
Time	18.00hrs Registration and Refreshments 18.30hrs Seminar 19.15hrs Questions and Answers
Capacity	60 people per seminar
Seminar Price	€30.00 per Seminar €120.00 per Series (5 for the price of 4)
Registrations	By Post or By E-Mail
Payment	Cheques should be made payable to: "The Drug Treatment Centre Board"
Places	All places must be pre-registered.
Further information and an application form for this seminar can be downloaded from: <a href="http://www.addictionireland.ie">www.addictionireland.ie</a>	



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