



Members' Newsletter

Summer 2017

Dear Member,

Conference season has come around again and your Committee will have a lot to report at the AGM on Sept. 30th.

There has been a hiatus in the roll out of the ICGP Accreditation Programme and some dissatisfaction with the lack of a follow-on to the very successful Pilot Community Based Surgery Programme. This is not anybody's fault but reflects the need to agree a funding model with the HSE, which has inevitably become tied up in the wider GMS contract talks. These will take some time, but community surgery has been discussed at an early stage. I am confident that the new contract will both encourage all practices to retain surgical services but also provide for service developments that could enhance patient access and safety. We hope to see the recognised involvement of GPs in providing procedures such as skin cancer work, vasectomy and perhaps cultural circumcision.

Meanwhile, we are very actively promoting work that underpins such developments, including our expanding Community Based Surgical Audit, our collaboration with the ICGP on the iPCRN, the NCCP Guideline Development Group and with the HSE in relation to vasectomy, cultural circumcision and skin cancer.

The scientific programme at this year's conference will reflect these and other strands of our activity. The AGM will include a discussion of the proposed Primary Care Surgical Network of practices sharing a common approach to service development and commercialisation. The AGM will also see the election of various officers including the Chair and Secretary positions.

I want to thank my fellow Committee members for their ongoing enthusiasm and commitment to our work and you, our members for your support and engagement since our foundation in 2012.

Here's hoping to see you in Tralee next month!

Niall Maguire

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Your committee met on December 10th 2016 and continues to attend important meetings with external organisations to advance our aims and objectives.

ROSS ARDILL MEMORIAL PRIZE 2017

Audit, research, case-series, innovations,
work in progress.

€500 for best paper & €200 for best poster.
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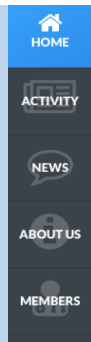
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Dr Mukesh Lalloo represented the PCSA at the Annual Conference of our sister association at Leamington Spa in May.

Dr Jonathan Botting and Prof Vijay Kumar will make a return visit to our conference in September.

Audit: The first round of the CBSx Audit is complete. Round two follows in the autumn. If you use Health.one join for round two and three? niallpmaguire@yahoo.com

Website logon problems?

Some members have had a difficulty with accessing the new website since our upgrade.

Please email Paul, our webmaster who will endeavour to resolve any issues.

The new site is worth the wait! Thanks for your forbearance.

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6th ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING & AGM with Cryosurgery Masterclass

Venue: The Rose Hotel, Tralee

Date: 29th and 30th September 2017

Friday – 29th September

Time	Topic	Speaker
8.30-9.25am	Registration for Cryo masterclass	
9:25am	Welcome and Introduction	Dr Niall Maguire
9.30am-10:00am	History of cryosurgery + method of cell death	Dr Paola Pasquali
10 – 10:30am	Cryogenics + equipment	Dr David Buckley
10:30-11am	Patient selection + indications	Dr Paola Pasquali
11-11:30am	Tea + coffee / meet the sponsors	
11-30-12pm	Technique + complications	Dr Paola Pasquali
12-12:30pm	Nurse lead cryosurgery	Dr David Buckley
12:30-1pm	Genital warts	Prof Colm O'Mahony
1- 1:30pm	Teledermatology for pre and post op care	Dr Paola Pasquali
1:30-2:30pm	Lunch + meet the sponsors	
1:30-2:30pm	Registration for PCSA annual scientific meeting	
2:30-3pm	UK National Community Surgery Audit	Dr Jonathon Botting
3- 3:30pm	Genital lesions and rashes	Prof Colm O'Mahony
3:30-5:30pm	Rotating Workshops – pick two 1. Cryo for wart/verruca/actinic keratosis 2. Tissue viability + wound healing science 3. Biopsy + curettage. (punch/shave/incisional, etc) 4. Cryo for NMSC + keloids	Dr David Buckley Mari O Connor, Tissue Viability Nurse Dr Shastri Persad Dr Paola Pasquali
8pm	Gala dinner + guest speaker	Prof Colm O'Mahony

Saturday 30th September

Time	Topic	Speaker
8-9am	Registration	
9-9:30am	Benign tumours of the skin	Dr Shastri Persad
9:30-10am	Elliptical excision+ layered closure	Dr Niall Maguire
10-10:30am	Setting up a primary care surgical clinic.	Dr David O Connell
	Experienced session:	
9 - 9.30am	Dermoscopy for BCCs	Dr Jonathan Botting
9:30 - 10am	NMSC on the head and neck.	Dr Billy O Connor
10 - 10:30am	Suspicious pigmented lesions.	Mr James Clover
10:30 - 11am	Tea + coffee / meet the sponsors	
11am-11:30am	Keynote address: "See and Treat" the future of community based surgery.	Prof Paul Ridgway, Prof surgery, TCD
11:30 – 1pm	Ross Ardill papers + prize	Prof V Kumar ASPC
1-2pm	Lunch and meet the sponsors	
2-3pm	AGM	Chair Dr Niall Maguire
3-5pm	Rotating Workshops: Each one hour long – pick two 1. Vasectomy (beginners=3-4pm) 2. (experienced vasectomists = 4-5pm) 3. Closing wounds without sutures: Glues, staples, secondary intention, etc. 4. My favourite suture techniques 5. Simple flaps	Dr Richard Look-Tong Dr Jonathan Botting Dr Enda Devitt Mr James Clover
5pm	Close of meeting	