



**PCPA
NORTHERN
IRELAND
CONFERENCE**

29TH FEBRUARY

09.00 - 15.30

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AGENDA

- 09.00 - 09.30** Registration: Meet, greet and network
- 09.30 - 09.50** Panel Discussion
- 09.50 - 10.50** Workshop Session One
- 10.50 - 11.20** Refreshments and Exhibition
- 11.20 - 12.20** Workshop Session Two
- 12.20 - 13.10** Lunch and Exhibition
- 13.10 - 14.00** Workshop Session Three
- 14.05 - 14.25** Refreshments and Exhibition
- 14.25 - 15.15** Workshop Session Four
- 15.15 - 15.30** Chairs close the day
- 15.30** Close

Workshop presentations will be in the PCPA members area,
post event

WORKSHOPS

PANEL DISCUSSION 09.30 - 09.50

- **Panel Discussion: Let's talk strategy** - Chair: Michael Ogilby Speakers: Scott Gill, Judith Gray & Clare Murray

WORKSHOP SESSION ONE 09.50 - 10.50

- **Improving engagement with patients experiencing symptoms of anxiety, trauma or depression** - Speaker: Dr Deirdre McCabe

WORKSHOP SESSION TWO 11.20 - 12.20

- **Navigating the complexities of chronic pain in primary care** - Speakers: Scott Gill and Judith Gray

WORKSHOP SESSION THREE 13.10 - 14.00

- **Masterclass: Improving Cardiovascular and Renal Outcomes in People with CKD and Type II Diabetes.**

Speaker: Dr Robert Mullan

Sponsored by a Medical Education Grant from Boehringer-Ingelheim. They have had no input into the session content or agenda.

WORKSHOP SESSION FOUR 14.20 - 15.20

- **Regional Masterclass: Sharing best practice** - Useful resources for your CPD - Enriching your portfolio - Research in General Practice Pharmacy
Speakers: Clare Murray, Michael Ogilby, Scott Gill

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EXHIBITOR PROFILES

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SPEAKERS PROFILES



SCOTT GILL

PCPA Northern Ireland Lead and Lead Pharmacist, Ards GP Federation

Scott is currently Lead Pharmacist for the Ards GP Federation in Northern Ireland.

After graduating from QUB in 2007, Scott started his career in Community Pharmacy and started working in GP practices in 2015. Scott is an Independent Prescriber and focuses on treating patients with long term conditions (e.g. respiratory conditions, diabetes, cardiovascular disease, mental health, persistent pain), in particular those with multiple conditions. His interest in this area led to a return to QUB to complete an MSc in Advanced Clinical Practice in 2019. He is also involved in a multidisciplinary pain management team to help patients better manage their condition and mental health.

Scott is the Northern Ireland Lead for PCPA, Chair of SELCG (South Eastern Local Commissioning Group) Prescribing & Medicines Management Committee and a Council member of the Pharmaceutical Society Northern Ireland.



JUDITH GRAY

PCPA Northern Ireland Ambassador and Lead GP Pharmacist, North Down GP Federation

Judith has worked primarily in GP practice since 2017, following more than 20 years experience as a community pharmacist. She has been an Independent Prescriber since 2018, and completed her MSc in Advanced Pharmacy Practice in 2023.

Judith teaches part of the Foundation post-graduate course, and is an assessor for the Independent Prescribing course. She is presently a Lead for the North Down Federation in Northern Ireland, and has been a member of the Pharmacy Forum since 2023. She has developed and taught courses in frailty, deprescribing, cancer and migraine.

SPEAKERS PROFILES



DR DEIRDRE MCCABE

Specialist Clinical Psychologist Plastic Surgery and Chronic Pain SET Ulster Hospital.

Deirdre moved to Belfast to commence her studies, and subsequent career in psychology, in 2005, she completed her undergraduate degree in Queen's University Belfast (QUB) in 2008. She went on to complete her Masters in "Counselling and Therapeutic Communication", in University of Ulster in 2012.

She qualified as a clinical psychologist in 2015, from the D.Clin.Psych training programme in QUB. Her doctoral dissertation focused on exploring the role of shame in psychological distress.

Since 2015, Deirdre has developed her clinical skills working in Learning Disability and Clinical Health Psychology Services. She was nominated for an early career award within the Division of Clinical Psychology in Northern Ireland, for her work with adults who have learning disability and their carers. She currently provides psychological support to patients and staff within Plastic Surgery, Chronic Pain, and Maternity Services in the Ulster Hospital.



DR ROBERT MULLAN

Consultant Nephrologist, Northern Health and Social Care Trust

Qualifications: MB BCH BAO (Hons) MRCP (London) MD (QUB Belfast)
I am a Consultant Nephrologist for the Northern Health and Social Care Trust based at Antrim Area Hospital since 2006 and acted as Clinical Lead for Nephrology between 2019 and 2023.

My other areas of interest include medical education, particularly undergraduate medical education. I am currently the Co-Sub Dean for Undergraduate Medical Education in the Northern Trust (representing both Queen's University Belfast and Ulster University) and have been made an Honorary Senior Lecturer by Queen's University Belfast. I am involved with renal research projects locally and have been the principal investigator in several renal trials based within Antrim Renal Unit in collaboration with QUB Belfast.

SPEAKERS PROFILES



CLARE MURRAY

PCPA Research Group Lead and Lecturer in the School of Pharmacy, QUB

Clare has been a Lecturer (Education) in the School of Pharmacy since January 2022.

She joined the School of Pharmacy academic team to assist in the teaching of independent prescribing skills and clinical pharmacy following the changes to the initial education and training of pharmacists by the GPhC. Prior to assuming this role in QUB, Clare worked as a Lead General Practice Pharmacist.

She also undertook a clinical role, working as a generalist independent prescriber with an interest in Type 2 Diabetes, hypertension and anticoagulation. She holds post graduate qualifications in Advanced Clinical Pharmacy Practice, Type 2 Diabetes and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease. She continues to practice as an independent prescriber within the GP out of hours setting, working as an Urgent Care Triage Pharmacist Prescriber.

MICHAEL OGILBY

PCPA Northern Ireland Ambassador and Lead General Practice Pharmacist, East Belfast Federation



Michael graduated from Queen's University Belfast in 1992, and after pre-registration training spent 23 years as a Community Pharmacy manager. During this time, he began to work with local GP practices who supported him in gaining the Independent Prescribing qualification. He continued to work across sectors, running hypertension clinics in primary care, until 2016 when GP Federations rolled out General Practice Pharmacists across Northern Ireland. He moved full time into primary care as Lead GPP for East Belfast Federation, leading over 20 pharmacists who manage approximately 118,000 patients across 22 practices.

Michael spends half his time in practice, primarily managing hypertension and anticoagulation, while his remaining time is spent managing and developing the GPP role in East Belfast and Northern Ireland as a whole.

He teaches the cardiovascular section of the Foundation Programme for GPPs and is a supervisor and assessor for both the Foundation and Independent Prescribing programmes. He has recently also begun to work in Urgent Care on a sessional basis.

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