

Friday, 27 March

09:00-09:45

Registration [Rockbarton Foyer] Refreshments [Aran Suite]

Rockbarton Suite

09:45-09:50

Opening and Welcome

Dr Sinead Feeney, GP Trainer Western Scheme & **Dr Aaron Brennan**, Assistant Scheme Director Western GP Training Scheme

09:50-10:00

College Welcome

Dr Deidre Collins, Chair of the Board & **Mr Fintan Foy**, CEO

10:00-11:00

Updates from the College

Dr Cathy Cullen, National GP Training Director

11:00-11:15

Refreshment Break & Networking [Aran Suite]

Rockbarton Suite

11:15-12:15

KEYNOTE Address: Chronic Disease Management

Professor Andrew Murphy, NUI Galway

12:15-13:00

National Association of Trainers in GP (NATIGP) Meeting

Chair: Dr Madeleine Ni Dhalaigh, GP in Roscommon

12:15-13:45

Time for walk/networking for Non-members/ Lunch

13:00 - 13:45

Lunch Break & Networking

13:45 - 14:00

Tea/Coffee/Dessert [Aran Suite]

Breakout Sessions 14:00 - 15:00

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Practical Session: Teaching Joint Injection

Dr Joe Curran, **Dr John McCormack**, **Dr Aaron Brennan** and **Dr JP Casey**

14:00-15:00

Greener Prescribing

Dr John Allman, GP Trainer UCD Dublin Mid Leinster

14:00-15:00

Exploring Sepsis GPU with your Trainee for Safe Effective Practice

Dr Ellen Hayes, Adult Sepsis Clinical Lead

Special Session 14:00 - 17:00

14:00-17:00

Creative Difference & the Art of Being Yourself

Part I: Arts Practice

Professor Timothy Emlyn Joes, Burren College of Art

National Trainers Conference

The Art of General Practice & GP Training

Friday 27 & Saturday 28 March 2026
Salthill Hotel, Galway

Breakout Sessions 15:00 - 16:00

15:00-16:00 **Practical Session: Teaching Joint Injection (Repeat Session)**
Dr Joe Curran, Dr John McCormack, Dr Aaron Brennan, and Dr JP Casey

15:00-16:00 **Abortion Care for Providers & Non-Providers**
Dr Brian Kennedy, GP Trainer Mid West Training Scheme

15:00-16:00 **COPD for GP Trainers - What do I need to know and how should I teach my Trainee?**
Dr Shane McKeogh, GP Clinical Lead Adult Respiratory & GP Trainer TCD Training Scheme

Breakout Sessions 16:15 - 17:15

16:15-17:15 **Manosphere: How best to help our boys?**
Professor Debbie Ging, Professor of Digital Media and Gender DCU

16:00-17:15 **Workshop: The Art of the Tutorial**
Dr Kate Murphy, GP Western Scheme

16:15-17:17 **Embracing Cultural Diversity/Unconscious Bias in the Practice**
Dr Maeve Ni Bhroin, GP in Tallaght, Dublin

17:15 Conclusion Day 1

17:30 Run / Walk / Dip in the Sea

19:00 - 20:00 **Drinks Reception**
Dr Brian Lennon - Ceide Trad Group

Orangerie

20:00 **DINNER**

20:10 **College Address**
Dr Nuala O'Connor, President

21:30 **Dancing and Entertainment**
The Bone Factory with Dr Eamonn O'Shea, GP Trainer Western Scheme

Saturday, 28 March

07:30-08:30

Yoga [Promenade Suite, 4th Floor]

09:00-09:45

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Special Session 09:00 - 11:30

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**Creative Difference & the Art of Being Yourself
Part 2: The Art of Being Yourself**
Mr Martin Hawkes, Burren College of Art

Breakout Sessions 09:30 - 10:30

09:00-10:30

**Can you Call the Nursing Home Back? Approach to Management
of Nursing Home Residents & Teaching Registrars**
Dr Sinéad O'Beirne, Spiddal Medical Centre and Dr Eamonn Twomey, Turloughmore

09:00-10:30

Concussion
Dr Enda Devitt, GP Trainer Western Scheme

09:00-10:30

Drug Dependence
Dr Niamh O'Brien, GP in Galway and Galway Drug Services [GP Buddy of the Year]

10:30-11:00

**Embracing Diversity: Experience of Training in Ireland for IMG &
Working as a Rural GP in Western Ireland**
Dr Ranga Ganesaratnam, GP Trainer Western Scheme
Experience of a Cork Man turned GP Trainer in Galway
Dr Dan Murphy, GP Trainer Western Scheme

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**How to Incorporate Artificial Intelligence into the ART of General Practice
Safely for both Trainer and Trainee**

- Chair Dr Catherine Sweeney, GP Trainer Western Scheme
- Dr Scott Walkin, GP & Antimicrobial Resistance and Infection Control Lead
 - Dr Conor Farrell, GP & Assistant Scheme Director with the Western GP Training Scheme
 - Ms Aisling Timoney, Solicitor & Medisec Representative
 - Dr Conor O'Shea, GP & National GPIT Co-ordinator

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Closing Remarks
Western Trainers