The Irish Association of Advanced Nurse Midwife Practitioners

Irish Association of Advanced Nurse and Midwife Practitioners Annual Conference 2026

"Advanced Practice in Ireland: Transforming care, measuring impact, expanding access & shaping the future "

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08.30-09.00		**Registration/Coffee**
		Welcome Address: Ms Melissa Hammond, Chair IAANMP, RANP
Morning Chair		**Ms Carmel Hoey, Director NMPDU HSE West & Midwest I OMNSD Lead for Specialist & Advanced Practice**
09.00 – 09.20		**Opening Address**: Dr Colm Henry Chief Clinical Officer HSE
09.20 – 09.40		**Keynote Speaker**: Dr Jarlath Varley RANP/Programme Director for Advanced Practice Msc, RCSI ***Topic: Impact by Design: Building ANMP Capability through Advanced Practice Education***
09.40 - 10.00		**Keynote Speaker:** Clare Crowley Nursing & Midwifery Fellow, National Simulation Office ***Topic: Simulation in Advanced Practice: From Education to Quality Improvement***
10.00-10.30		**Guest Speakers:** Prof Richard Greene **Chief Clinical Information Officer** and Loretto Grogan **National Chief Nursing & Midwifery Information Officer,** *Technology & Transformation & the Office of the Chief Clinical Officer, HSE* ***Topic: Electronic Health Record Update: Leadership and Practice Transformation for Advanced Nurse & Midwife Practitioners***
10.30-11.00		**Guest Speaker**: Ms Phil Ni Sheaghdha IMNO General Secretary ***Topic: Protecting Advanced Practice: Professional Autonomy and Scope of Practice***
11.00- 11.30		**Coffee and Poster Viewing** *Poster Judges; Dr Jarlath Varley, Ms Claire Kearney and Ms Elizabeth Carroll*
Mid-Morning Chair		**Ms Margaret Williams, Director of Nursing & Midwifery- Professional Practice & Quality**
11.30 – 11.50		**IAANMP Bernie Carpenter Bursary Recipient:** Ms Tracy Finnegan RANP
11.50 – 12.10		**IAANMP Trisha Mc Keown Bursary Recipients:** Ms Felicity Mc Fadden RANP
12.10 – 12.40		**Guest speaker: Ms Carolyn Donohoe, CEO NMBI & Ms Aine Lynch President of NMBI** ***Topic: NMBI update***
12.40 - 13.00		**Key Note Speaker:** Dr Patricia Minnock RANP ***Topic: Capturing impact in Advanced Practice***

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13.00 - 14.00		**Lunch and Pharma Exhibition Viewing**
14.00-15.00		Chair: Ms Priscilla Lynch Clinical Editor, *The Medical Independent* **Panel Discussion:** ***"Advanced Nurse and Midwife Practitioner's Impact in Ireland; unlocking opportunities, demonstrating benefits and overcoming challenges"*** 1. Chief Nursing Officer, Department of Health — **Ms Rachel Kenna** 2. Nursing & Midwifery Services Director, OMNSD, Interim Advisor to CEO & Office of CCO in HSE — **Dr Geraldine Shaw** 3. Regional Director of Nursing & Midwife. — **Ms Siobhan Canny** 4. HSE Technology and Transformation National Chief Nursing & Midwifery Officer HSE — **Ms Loretto Grogan** 5. Practicing Advanced Nurse Practitioner, Spark fellow — **Ms Anna Marie Kiernan** 6. INMO General Secretary — **Ms Phil NiSheaghdha**
15.00- 15.15		**Poster Winners & Evaluation**: Ms Melissa Hammond, Chair, IAANMP, RANP
15.15-16.00		**Keynote Speaker**: Dr Brian Pennie Neuroscientist, Author, Lecturer, Entrepreneur. ***Topic: There is no magic wand; only powerful tools we forget to use!***
16.00- 16.30		**IAANMP members AGM - Members only**
16.30-17.00		**Cheese and wine reception** **Closing remarks** Incoming Chair

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