

AHP/e-Health Stakeholder Event 2015

Speaker Profiles

Monday: 28 September 2015, 9.30am – 4pm

Venue: Linen Suite, Mossley Mill, Mossley



Public Health
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CLARE MC GARTLAND MBE

Lead AHP Consultant, Public Health Agency (PHA)

Clare McGartland MBE is the lead Allied Health Professions (AHP) Consultant within the Public Health Agency. She leads a team of five AHP Consultants who provide professional input into both local and regional commissioning. She is based in the WEST commissioning office and is the AHP representative on the Local Commissioning Group.

Clare has previously worked as AHP Commissioner for the Western Health & Social Services legacy Board and had responsibility to commission services for a range of AHP professions. During this time she was appointed by the Privy Council to represent Orthoptics on the UK wide formation of a new AHP regulatory body – the Health Professions Council.

Clare is currently Chair of the Northern Ireland Lymphoedema Network.

In 2012, Clare was awarded an MBE in recognition for her services to Health Care in N Ireland.



SEAN DONAGHY

Director, eHealth and External Collaboration (HSCB)

Sean's career in Health and Social Care (HSC) stretches back to 1983. His career began in Finance, and included Director of Finance appointments. Between March 2003 and March 2007, he was Chief Executive of the Mater Hospital Trust.

Sean held senior regional posts between March 2007 and September 2010, including the post of Deputy Secretary for Resources and Performance management at DHSSPS.

He was Chief Executive of the Northern Health & Social Care Trust between September 2010 and May 2013, when he took up his current role as Director for e-Health and External Collaboration for N Ireland.



HAZEL WINNING

Lead Allied Health Professional Officer, The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety (DHSSPSNI)

Hazel is currently working as the lead AHP officer at the DHSSPS in Northern Ireland. Within this role, Hazel provides professional leadership for AHPs in the HSC, working closely with colleagues across the Department and HSC to develop AHP services in line with existing strategies and policies. She must respond to assembly business and private office decision-making, and ensure the minister and DHSSPS have timely and expert profession contribution and advice on all matters relating to AHPs. Hazel leads on the development of AHP policy in relation to professional standards and practice, quality and safety, workforce development and planning to ensure workforce is fit for purpose in line with strategic and ministerial direction.

Hazel's professional background is occupational therapy and she has worked across a wide range of clinical areas within a range of service models including acute, community adult and paediatric, education and so on, working within uni-professional, multi-professional, integrated teams etc. before moving into management/leadership role. Hazel has led regionally on many initiatives and projects, representing her profession/AHP at a local level, regionally, nationally and internationally.



CLAIRE BÜCHNER

Consultant Nurse eHealth & Informatics, Public Health Agency (PHA)

Having qualified from University of Ulster in 1991 Claire has held a variety of clinical, research and project management positions during which time she completed a MSc in Health Informatics with the University of Central Lancashire. From 2002 Claire taught within the School of Nursing and Midwifery at Queens University Belfast. In March 2013 Claire took up the position of Consultant Nurse e-Health and Informatics, within the PHA. In this post Claire works as part of the Centre for Connected Health and the Public Health Agency Nursing & AHP team to support and promote the sustainable regional development of e-Health and informatics services and take a lead in the application of information technologies in support of patient care and the nursing profession.

Claire believes that those who deliver care are best placed to make improvements in that care. In Northern Ireland, nurses and midwives are at the forefront of service re-design, pushing the boundaries and challenging traditional practices especially in the use of ICT. She is passionate about the possibilities for technology and data analytics to enhance practice and to support innovation in the development of patient led services now and into the future.



EDDIE RITSON

Programme Director, Centre for Connected Health and Social Care

Eddie has been Programme Director of the Centre for Connected Health and Social Care (part of the Northern Ireland Public Health Agency) since April 2008. He is responsible for leading the Centre's work to improve the quality and responsiveness of the NI health & social care system by assisting the faster adoption of technological innovation. Eddie led the design, procurement and implementation of a remote telemonitoring 'end-to-end' managed service which aims to provide telemonitoring services across the region of Northern Ireland to over 3,500 people per year.

Eddie's career in health care stretches back to 1985 and previous posts include Director of Primary Care in the Southern Health & Social Services Board and Chief Executive of a Primary Care Group in the south of England. He has extensive experience in health & social care, both in the operational management of services and in leading change from a commissioning perspective.



SOO HUN

Programme Manager, Centre for Connected Health and Social Care

Soo joined the Centre for Connected Health and Social Care (part of the Northern Ireland Public Health Agency) in May 2008. She has been involved in connected health initiatives aimed at providing for better quality and more effective care through the use of technology. Soo played a key role in the design and procurement of the Telemonitoring NI Managed Service (www.telemonitoringni.info) - an 'end-to-end' telehealth and telecare service to help people manage their disease/condition and provide healthcare professionals with information in order to make appropriate decisions about care. In 2012-2014 Soo was also the Project Lead on the EU funded Implementing Transnational Telemedicine Solutions (ITTS) <http://www.transnational-telemedicine.eu/>. She is also leading another EU 3rd Health Programme SUNFRIL project on frailty and multi-morbidity.

Soo has more than 30 years' experience in ICT and project management, gained from the private and public sectors. She joined the NI Health Service in 2003 as a Programme Manager has a keen interest in health innovations that can make a difference to care and well-being of citizens.



PROFESSOR JONATHAN WALLACE

Professor of Innovation - Faculty of Computing & Engineering, Ulster University

Jonathan Wallace is Professor of Innovation at Ulster University. His excellence in both Knowledge & Technology Transfer and lecturing has been recognised by his being awarded both a Distinguished Business Fellowship and Distinguished Teaching Fellowship.

He has for the last 12 years been Director of Knowledge and Technology Transfer for the Faculty of Computing and Engineering, with direct responsibility for the commercialisation of the Faculty's research knowledge, industrial collaboration and consultancy provision.

Professor Wallace chairs the Institution of Engineering and Technology Policy Group for Northern Ireland and is a member of the All-Party Advisory Group on Science, Engineering, Technology and Maths for the NI Assembly. He has a significant track record in the field of Connected Health and is recognised as an innovator in the co-creation of user-centred Connected Health product and service solutions. He is a consultant to and sits on the Innovation Groups of a number of Health Trusts. Jonathan is one of the national judges for the annual Telecare Services Association Crystal Awards for Excellence in Telehealth and Telecare, as well as a judge for the annual national eHealth Insider awards. He is currently involved in a number of regional, national and international Connected Health research projects where he is particularly applying his expertise in Usability, UX / Human Computer Interaction and Business Model Development.



DR MICHAEL QUINN

Chief Clinical Information Officer (CCIO) Northern Trust

Michael is a Nephrologist in the Northern Trust and has recently been appointed as Chief Clinical Information Officer.

As a registrar he became interested in Healthcare Informatics and received a Research and Development Office Fellowship to complete a Doctorate in Clinical Epidemiology. He has published widely on bed occupancy rates and the burden of chronic disease on the NHS in Northern Ireland. His current focus is finding ways to reduce duplication and improve patient care through better use of technology.



DES O'LOAN

ICT Strategy Manager, (HSCB)

Des O'Loan is an ICT professional with an extensive range of experience and knowledge gained in the private and public sectors covering requirements analysis, system specifications, software development, team management, project management, programme management, workforce management, general management, budget management. Specialising in international banking, commercial business software, stock control and warehousing and health care software solutions with extensive experience in research, design, development, testing and implementation of technology solutions. Des is an experienced leader at all levels from voluntary to senior management encouraging the best from those that work with me through support, empowerment, delegation of authority and associated accountability.

Des is currently leading on a number of major eHealth programmes and projects funded by the N. Ireland Health & Social Care Board.

Provide the lead on significant eHealth programmes and projects designed to provide care workers in the N. Ireland Health Care system with ICT tools to improve efficiency, patient safety in a truly joined up health care economy.



GERALDINE TEAGUE

AHP Consultant, Public Health Agency (PHA)

Geraldine qualified from the University of Ulster Jordanstown with a BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy in 1991. She took up appointment in the Northern Health and Social Care Trust and worked in a wide range of clinical settings including acute, out-patients, community and paediatrics. Throughout her career Geraldine has had experience in both specialist clinical and managerial posts including managing uni-professional, multi-professional and multi-agency staff.

Geraldine was appointed as an AHP Consultant to the Public Health Agency in 2014 and in this role has been involved in providing AHP professional advice as part of the commissioning process. She is leading on the implementation of the AHP Strategy – 'Improving Health and Well-being Through Positive Partnerships' and the Regional Supervision Policy for AHPs.



MARGARET MOOREHEAD

Allied Health Professional (AHP) Leads, South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust (SEHSCT)

Margaret Moorehead is Assistant Director for Allied Health Professions with the South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust. Margaret has been in post since August 2008 and has responsibility for six Allied Health Professions (Nutrition & Dietetics, Occupational Therapy, Orthoptics, Physiotherapy, Podiatry and Speech and Language Therapy).