

RCN Pain and Palliative Care Conference

Exploring pain and palliative care across care settings



Venue: RCN HQ, London
Date: Friday 7 March 2025

Please note these programme details and timings are subject to change. A final programme will be circulated prior to the event.

Programme at a glance

9.00	Registration, exhibition, networking and refreshments	
9.30	Welcome and introduction to the conference <i>Martin Galligan, Pain and Palliative Care Forum Chair</i>	
9.35	Enhancing the Delivery of Pain & Palliative Care: Economic Insights from Cancer Patient Data <i>Dr Ethna McFerran, Post Doctoral Research Fellow, Queens University Belfast</i>	
10.10	Holistic Symptom Assessment <i>Professor Bridget Johnston (FRCN), Clinical Professor of Nursing and Palliative Care, University of Glasgow</i>	
10.45	Exhibition, networking and refreshments	
11.15	Workshops	
11.15	<p>Workshop One: Neuropathic Pain</p> <p>Chair: Karin Cannons Nurse Consultant Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust</p> <p>Speakers: Callum Metcalfe-O'Shea, UK Professional Lead for Long Term Conditions and Advance Nurse Practitioner, RCN Charlotte Sear, Senior Clinical Nurse Specialist, Royal Brompton Hospital Felicia Cox (FRCN) Nurse Consultant, Royal Brompton & Harefield Hospitals</p>	<p>Workshop Two: Advance Care Planning</p> <p>Chair: Sandra Campbell (FRCN), Macmillan Consultant Nurse in Palliative and End of Life Care, The Scottish Ambulance Service</p> <p>Speaker: Professor Bridget Johnston (FRCN), Clinical Professor of Nursing and Palliative Care, University of Glasgow</p>
12.00	Lunch and exhibition viewing	
13.00	Workshops	

13.00	<p>Workshop Three: Pain Assessment in Vulnerable Groups Chair: Rachel Desai, Nurse Consultant Pain Service, Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Foundation Trust</p> <p>Speakers: Dr Margaret Dunham, Associate Professor in Nursing & Pain Management, Edinburgh Napier University Sandra Campbell, Macmillan Consultant Nurse in Palliative and End of Life Care, The Scottish Ambulance Service</p>	<p>Workshop Four: Cultural Experiences of Palliative Care Chair: Ola Isaiah, Specialist Nurse in Palliative Care, Newham University Hospital, Bart Health NHS Trust</p> <p>Speaker: Flora Dangwa, Wellcome Trust CREATE Clinical PhD Fellow, King's College London</p>
13.45	5-minute transition	
13.50	<p>Workshop Five: Principals of Symptom Management Chair: Suzanne Monks Lecturer University of Leeds</p> <p>Speaker: Ola Isaiah Specialist Nurse in Palliative Care, Newham University Hospital, Bart Health NHS Trust Sandra Campbell, Macmillan Consultant Nurse in Palliative and End of Life Care, The Scottish Ambulance Service</p>	<p>Workshop Six: Developing the pain & palliative care workforce Chair: Martin Galligan, Pain and Palliative Care Forum Chair</p> <p>Speaker: Rachel Desai, Nurse Consultant Pain Service, Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Foundation Trust Sharon Taylor, Matron Palliative Care, The Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust Karin Cannons, Nurse Consultant, Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust</p>
14.35	Refreshments and exhibition viewing	
15:00	<p>Communication Skills and Shared Decision Making Lloyd Allen, Freelance Trainer</p>	
15.45	<p>Panel Discussion: In Conversation with Pain and Palliative Care Forum Steering Committee</p> <p>Chair: Martin Galligan, Pain and Palliative Care Forum Chair</p> <p>Panellists: Sandra Campbell, Macmillan Consultant Nurse in Palliative and End of Life Care, The Scottish Ambulance Service Ola Isaiah, Specialist Nurse in Palliative Care, Newham University Hospital, Bart Health NHS Trust Rachel Desai, Nurse Consultant Pain Service, Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Foundation Trust Suzanne Monks, Senior Lecturer, University of Leeds Karin Cannons, Nurse Consultant, Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust</p>	
16:30	Conference close	