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# MASTERCLASS

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## ***Masterclass: Geriatrics and Neuropathology***

5.00pm Tuesday, 25 October 2011

Royal College of Physicians of Ireland, No. 6 Kildare Street, Dublin 2



## Programme

TIME	TITLE	SPEAKER	CHAIR
16.30 – 17.00	<b>Registration</b>		
17.00 – 17.05	<b>Introduction and Welcome</b>	Dr Diarmuid O'Shea Vice President of Education and Professional Development, RCPI	
17.05 – 17.25	Challenging Behaviour in Patients with Dementia in Acute Hospitals	Prof Greg Swanwick AMNCH, Tallaght	Dr Kieran O'Connor, Mercy University Hospital, Cork
17.25 – 17.30	<b>Question and Answers</b>		
17.30 – 17.55	The Differential Diagnosis: TIA Recognition	Dr Tom Walsh Galway University Hospital	
17.55 – 18.00	<b>Question and Answers</b>		
18.00 – 18.25	Clinical Pearls: Lessons from the Neuropathologist	Dr Francesca Brett Beaumont Hospital, Dublin	Dr Tara Coughlan, AMNCH, Tallaght
18.25 – 18.30	<b>Questions and Answers</b>		
18.30 – 18.55	How I Manage the Acutely Ill Parkinson's Disease Patient	Dr Graham Hughes St Vincent University Hospital, Dublin	
18.55 – 19.00	<b>Questions and Answers</b>		
19.00 – 19.30	<b>Panel Discussion</b>		

This meeting is approved for 3 CPD credits by the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland

## Dr Tara Coughlan

AMNCH, Tallaght

### Co-Chair

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## Prof Greg Swanwick

AMNCH, Tallaght

### Challenging Behaviour in Patients with Dementia in Acute Hospitals

Gregory Swanwick MD, FRCPI, MRCPsych, qualified from Trinity College Dublin in 1986. Before entering the Dublin University psychiatric training program, he worked in general medicine in Ireland and New Zealand. He obtained membership of the Royal College of Physicians in Ireland, 1990, and the Royal College of Psychiatrists, 1992. He was awarded the Woodford-Williams Prize by the Royal College of Psychiatrists in 1994 for original work relating to the prevention of dementia

and this work led to an MD from TCD in 1995. Currently, he is a consultant psychiatrist in psychiatry of old age with the HSE and Adelaide and Meath Hospital, Dublin and the co-ordinator of postgraduate medical education at the hospital. He is also a Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Dublin, Trinity College and is the Director of Postgraduate Training and Education with the College of Psychiatry of Ireland.

## Dr Kieran Anthony O'Connor

Mercy University Hospital, Cork

### Co-Chair

Kieran O'Connor qualified from University College Cork in 1997. He completed higher medical training in Geriatric Medicine in various hospitals in Ireland and subsequently in the University Trust in Birmingham UK. He completed an MSc in Epidemiology with

University of London. Dr O'Connor commenced in post as Consultant Physician in Geriatric Medicine in the Cork city-wide Department of Geriatric Medicine in January 2006. He has been a National Speciality Director in Geriatric Medicine for the past two years.

## Dr Thomas Walsh

University College Hospital Galway

### Transient Ischaemic Attack – A Medical Emergency

Thomas Walsh is a graduate of NUI, Cork. Following the completion of specialty training in Geriatric and General Internal Medicine both in Ireland and King's College Hospital, London he undertook a Fellowship in Stroke Medicine at the Western General Hospital, Edinburgh and the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh. Prior to being appointed to Galway University Hospitals he was appointed

Consultant Geriatrician and Stroke Physician at Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham. Within Geriatric Medicine his main sub-specialty interests are stroke (including vascular risk management in TIA and stroke), falls and neurovascular instability. Currently he is Clinical Lead for Stroke Medicine at Galway University Hospitals and is Chairman of the West of Ireland Regional Stroke Forum.

## Dr Francesca Brett

*Beaumont and St James Hospitals and Trinity College Dublin*

### Clinical Pearls: Lessons from the Neuropathologist



Francesca Brett qualified in University College Cork and was awarded her MD thesis entitled 'Cell-cell interaction and its effects on neural vascular endothelium' by the National University of Ireland. This work was carried out between the Veterinary School, University of Cambridge, UK and the Neuropathology Department, University of California, San Diego, USA. Before returning to Ireland she worked in the UK as a Senior Registrar in Neuropathology in Cambridge and subsequently as a visiting scholar in the Department of Neuropathology at

the University of California, San Diego, USA. She currently works as a Consultant Neuropathologist in Beaumont Hospital and St James and as a Senior Lecture in Neuropathology at Trinity College Dublin. Since returning to Dublin she has expanded her expertise by completing a Masters in Forensic and Legal Medicine in UCD and works closely with the State Department on forensic aspects of head injuries. She is the National Specialist Director for Neuropathology Training in Ireland.

## Dr Graham Hughes

*Consultant Physician in Geriatric and General Medicine, St Vincent's University Hospital*

### The Acutely Ill Parkinson's Disease Patient



Graham Hughes is a Consultant Physician in Geriatric and General Medicine in St Vincent's University Hospital, Dublin. He graduated from Trinity College Dublin in 1997 and received his geriatric training in the Northern Deanery in the UK. He has particular interests in Parkinson's disease (PD) and integration of older people's care across the service interfaces. He has been a consultant with special interest in movement disorders since 2007 in the UK and Ireland. The Movement Disorder Service in St Vincent's

University Hospital is integrated between the departments of Neurology and Geriatric Medicine which permits appropriate patient assessments in specialist and nurse specialist clinics, day hospital and local nursing care facilities. He has performed research and has publications in PD and Progressive Supranuclear Palsy. He is an active lecturer in Movement Disorders at undergraduate and postgraduate level and has presented and chaired national meetings in this area.