

HAI NURSES & AHPs ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAMME
FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER, 2026

08:30 – 09:30	REGISTRATION AND MEET THE SPONSORS/DISPLAY POSTERS	
CHAIRS: Carmel Ann Galligan and Karena Maher		
TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
09:30-09:35	Welcome and Introduction	Carmel Ann Galligan, Chairperson, HAI Nursing/AHP Group
09:35-10:10	Guest Lecture "Fatigue and Function in Haematology: An Occupational Therapy Perspective"	Caitríona Barrett, Occupational Therapist, Waterford University Hospital
10:10-10:45	IRON DEFICIENCY WITHOUT ANAEMIA?	Prof. Andrea Piccin, Consultant Haematologist Mater Private Hospital, Dublin Honorary Senior Lecturer, Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland (RCSI), Dublin
10.45-11.15	Tea/Coffee/Meet the Sponsors/Poster Viewing	
CHAIRS: Kerrie Sweeney & Caroline Rooney		
11:15-12:00	Beyond the Chair: Using Virtual Reality to Improve the Chemotherapy Experience	Dr Richard Hinton, Consultant Haematologist, Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda Deirdre Peters, ANP Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda Margarida Rodrigues, CNS Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda
12:00-13:00	Guest Speaker and Meet the Expert Session followed by Case Presentations/Discussion Transforming “watch & wait” in CLL into a positive health empowerment experience for patients Case Reports: (5 minute case study & 5 minute for discussion) CLL – The Young, Fit patient and considerations around multiple treatments and immunosuppression CLL – First line therapy with fixed duration and psychological considerations CLL – The Unfit patient with T53 Mutation – treatment and toxicity considerations	Prof. John Seymour Medical Director, Director of the Haematology Department, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre & the Royal Melbourne Hospital, Melbourne Case report presenters: Andrea Patterson, Lymphoma CNS, Belfast Trust Fidelma Hackett, Haematology ANP, University Hospital Limerick Karena Maher, Haematology ANP, University Hospital Waterford
13:00-14:15	Lunch followed by Tea/Coffee and Display posters	

HAI NURSES & AHPs ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAMME
FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER, 2026

CHAIRS: Caroline McCaughey and Fidelma Hackett

Oral Presentations

14:15-14:25	Keep Her LIT; Igniting Nursing Literacy in the Genetic Profile & Molecular Markers of Myeloproliferative Neoplasms	Shona Spillane, Mercy Hospital, Cork
14:25-14:35	Audit of an ANP led Erythrocytosis Assessment Clinic	Lisa Lyons, Northern Health and Social Care Trust
14:35-14:45	Co-Produced Pre-Intervention Survey: Assessing Patient Information Needs For Digital Waiting Room Display Screens	Carmel Ann Galligan, St James's Hospital, Dublin
14:55-15:45	<i>Guest Lecture - Introduced by Dr Barry Quinn</i> <i>Transfusion of ideas: sharing knowledge across nursing communities</i>	<i>Dr Mary Tanay, President of UKONS</i>
15.50-16.15	Tea/Coffee/Meet the Sponsors and Poster Viewing	

Medical & Scientific Session – Main Auditorium

17.10-18.10	<i>Guest Speaker – Introduced by Prof. Paul Browne</i> <i>BCL2 INHIBITION IN CLL: FROM UNDRUGGABLE TARGET TO STANDARD-OF-CARE</i> <i>Prof. John Seymour</i> <i>Medical Director, Director of the Haematology Department, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre & the Royal Melbourne Hospital, Melbourne</i>	
18.40-19.45	OFFICIAL POSTER VIEWING AND ADJUDICATION	
19:45	Conference Dinner	
18.30-20.00	Poster viewing followed by Conference Dinner	

HAI NURSES & AHPs ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAMME

SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2026

CHAIRS: Carmel Ann Galligan and Lisa Lyons

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
10:00-10:30	Nursing/AHP AGM	<i>All Welcome!</i>
10:30-10:10	Impact of Allogeneic Haematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant On Sexual Function Of Female Survivors	Ciara Tripaldi, St James's Hospital, Dublin
10:10-10:20	The Clinical Significance Of Frailty Across The Allogeneic Stem Cell Transplant Pathway: A Systematic Review Of Prognostic Value, Longitudinal Frailty Trajectories, And Assessment Tools	Sophie Grehan, Trinity St. James's Cancer Institute, Dublin
10:20-10:30	Evaluation Of A Nurse Led Homecare Daratumumab Administration Service Piloted From St James's Hospital	Melissa Martin, St James's Hospital, Dublin
10:30-10:40	Evaluation of Home Dosing Adherence To Emicizumab In Children With Severe Factor Viii Deficiency (Haemophilia A): Insights From Children's Health Ireland At Crumlin, Dublin	Bridin Brady, Children's Health Ireland at Crumlin
10:40-11:20	<i>Guest Speaker</i> <i>Resetting the Gut Microbiome: A New Frontier in Oncology</i>	<i>Dr Despoina Chrysostomou FHEA MRSB</i> Department of Metabolism, Digestion and Reproduction Liver Unit, 10th Floor, QEQM Wing, St Mary's Hospital Campus, London
11:20-11:50	Tea/Coffee/Meet the Sponsors and Poster Viewing	
12:05-13:05	<i>Joint Session with Nursing & AHPs Group</i> <i>Guest Speaker – Introduced by Dr Peter McCarthy</i> <i>AYA Haemato-Oncology</i> <i>Prof. Michael Roth, Professor of Paediatrics, The University of Texas</i>	<i>Main Auditorium</i>
13:05	Awarding of Prizes and Close of Annual Meeting	<i>Main Auditorium</i>
13:15	Lunch	