

# The Future of Safe Prescribing

*A joint conference between the British Pharmacological Society and the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland*

**Royal College of Physicians of Ireland  
29 March 2019**

- 08.00 – 08.45      Registration and refreshments
- 08.45 – 08:55      Opening remarks  
*Professor Mary Horgan, President of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland, Ireland*
- 08:55 – 09:00      Introduction  
*Professor David Williams, Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland and Beaumont Hospital, Ireland*
- Session 1: Prescribing: Current State-of-the-art**  
Chair: *Professor David Williams, Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland and Beaumont Hospital, Ireland*
- 9:00 – 9:20          Improving prescribing skills of future healthcare professionals  
*Professor Simon Maxwell, The University of Edinburgh, UK*
- 9.20 – 9.30          Prescribing Safety Assessment – the Irish perspective  
*Professor Patrick Murray, University College Dublin, Ireland*
- 9.30 – 10.00        Polypharmacy – what can we do about it now?  
*Professor Emma Baker, St George’s University of London, UK*
- 10.00 – 10.30       Non-medical prescribing: has it improved healthcare and access?  
*Dr Mary Tully, The University of Manchester, UK*
- 10.30 – 11.00       Refreshment break
- Session 2: Prescribing over the next 10 years**  
Co-Chairs: *Professor Emma Baker, St George’s University of London, UK and Professor David Kerins, University College Cork, Ireland*
- 11.00 – 11.30       The future of European Medicines regulation post Brexit  
*Dr Patricia McGettigan, Queen Mary University of London, UK*

- 11.30 – 12.00      Electronic prescribing: current state and future innovations  
*Professor Jamie Coleman, University of Birmingham, UK*
- 12.00 – 12.30      National Medicines Management programmes: lessons learned and developments for Ireland  
*Professor Michael Barry, Irish National Centre of Pharmacoeconomics, Ireland*
- 12.30 – 14.00      Lunch and poster session  
Co-Moderator: *Professor Sandosh Padmanabhan, University of Glasgow, UK and Professor Laurence Egan, NUI Galway, Ireland*

### **Session 3: Future of safe prescribing**

Chair: *Professor Martina Hennessy, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland*

- 14.00 – 14.30      Big data approaches to improving prescribing  
*Professor Marion Bennie, University of Strathclyde, UK*
- 14.30 – 15.00      Precision prescribing  
*Dr Richard Fitzgerald, University of Liverpool, UK*
- 15.00 – 15.30      HTA in the era of precision medicine: the challenge between rewarding innovation and affordability for healthcare systems  
*Dr Mairin Ryan, Health Technology Assessment, Health Information and Quality Authority, Ireland*
- 15.30 – 16.00      Refreshment break

### **Session 4: WDM Paton Memorial Lecture**

Chair: *Professor Sir Munir Pirmohamed, University of Liverpool, UK*

- 16.00 – 16.50      *Examining the birth of modern therapeutics (1950-80) as revealed in UK pharmaceutical advertising: the good, the bad and the ugly*  
*Professor Richard Green, The University of Nottingham, UK*
- 16.50 – 17.00      Closing remarks  
*Professor Sir Munir Pirmohamed, University of Liverpool, UK*
- 17:00 – 19:00      Networking reception