



31st UK Medicines Information Conference

University of Ulster at Coleraine, Northern Ireland
16th-18th June 2005



Stepping Up to Excellence - draft programme

1:00	Welcome to Northern Ireland <i>Seán O'Hare, Director of Pharmaceutical Services, The Royal Hospitals, Belfast</i>
1:05	Annual report of UKMi <i>Christine Proudlove, Chair UKMi Executive</i>
Plenary session 1: From aspiration to action Chair: Seán O'Hare, Director of Pharmaceutical Services, The Royal Hospitals, Belfast	
1:25	The future of MI in a changing healthcare system <i>Norman Morrow, Chief Pharmaceutical Officer, DHSSPS, Northern Ireland</i>
1:55	Interfacing and working with primary care <i>Terry Maguire, Community Pharmacist, Northern Ireland</i>
2:25	Supplementary prescribing <i>Fiona Reid, Primary Care Pharmacist, Newbyres Medical Group, Lothian</i>
3:00	Refreshments
Plenary session 2: Reckoning with risk Chair: Jim Smith, Chief Pharmacist, DoH, England	
3:30	Pharmaceutical trials: current legal issues in pharmacy practice <i>Tony McGleenan, Chair in Law, University of Ulster</i>
4:15	The problem of prescription-related illness <i>Hugh McGavock, Visiting Professor of Prescribing Science, University of Ulster</i>
4:45	Exhibition and sponsors' reception
6:00	Dinner
7:00	Coaches depart for Giant's Causeway

Thursday 16th June - afternoon

Plenary session 3: Byte IT Chair: Simon Wills, Head of Wessex Drug and Medicines Information Centre	
8:30	eMC <i>Steve Mott, Executive Director, Datapharm Communications Limited</i>
8:50	NeLM <i>David Erskine, Acting Director, London & South East MI Centre</i>
9:10	MiDatabank <i>Steve Moss, Managing Director, CoACs Limited, University of Bath</i>
9:50	Refreshments
Parallel sessions 1	
10:20	A beginner's guide to drugs in renal disease <i>Michelle Skip and Julia Kuczynska</i>
	Working with industry <i>Sophie Graham, Pfizer Limited</i>
	Safe use of medicines in lactation <i>Elena Grant, Director, West Midlands MI Centre</i>
	Improving patient safety <i>Tracey Boyce and Jillian Redpath, Northern Ireland Medicines Governance Team</i>
	MiDatabank <i>Steve Moss, Managing Director, CoAcS Limited, University of Bath</i>
11:50	Exhibition and posters
1:00	Lunch in exhibition

Friday 17th June - morning

Oral presentations	
Chair: Ian Simpson, Chief Executive, College of Pharmacy Practice	
2:00	A survey of UKMi by AIOPI MI personnel - improving the working relationship <i>Meghna Joshi, Pharmacist, Wessex Drug & Medicines Information Centre, Southampton University Hospital NHS Trust</i>
2:20	A journal club that works <i>Paulette Main, Principal Pharmacist, Medicines Information, Ealing Hospital NHS Trust</i>
2:40	NVQ III - what can it do for me? <i>Mair Martin, Principal Pharmacist, Medicines Information, Ysbyty Gwynedd, North West Wales NHS Trust</i>
3:00	Pharmacy led medicines management service on cardiac investigations ward <i>Roisin O'Hare, Cardiology Pharmacist, The Royal Hospitals, Belfast</i>
3:20	Assessment of the impact of pharmacist dose adjustment of aminoglycosides and vancomycin in the intensive care unit <i>Janet West, Senior Pharmacist, Medicines Information, Glasgow Royal Infirmary</i>
3:50	Refreshments
Parallel sessions 2	
4:15-5:45	Bipolar disorder - an update on treatment <i>Anne Connolly, Principal MI Pharmacist, Maudsley Hospital</i>
	Drugs in pregnancy <i>Pat McElhattan, National Teratology Information Service</i>
	Personal effectiveness <i>Billy Dixon, Image Consultant</i>
	Improving patient safety <i>Tracey Boyce and Jillian Redpath, Northern Ireland Medicines Governance Team</i>
	MiDatabank <i>Steve Moss, Managing Director, CoAcS Limited, University of Bath</i>
7:00	Reception
7:30	Conference dinner
9:30	Dancing to live music

Friday 17th June - afternoon

Plenary session 4: Focus on complementary medicine	
Chair: Kate McClelland, President of the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland	
9:00	The regulation of herbal medicinal products in the UK <i>Linda Anderson, Principal Pharmaceutical Officer, MHRA</i>
9:30	Chinese medicine - what lies behind the labels <i>Debbie Shaw, Medical Toxicology Unit, Guy's & St Thomas', London</i>
10:00	Herbal medicines: their perioperative use and potential drug interactions <i>Nicola Whelan, Community Pharmacist, Dublin</i>
10:30	Refreshments
Plenary session 5: Improving performance: new days, new ways	
Chair: Jeremy Savage, Deputy Chief Pharmacist, Wales	
11:00	Consultant pharmacists and the knowledge and skills framework <i>David Webb, Director of Clinical Pharmacy, London Pharmacy Services</i> <i>Richard Cattell, Director South West MI Centre</i>
11:45	Discussion
11:55	Summary and farewell <i>Eilish Smith, Principal Pharmacist, Regional Medicines and Poisons Information Service and Chair of the Conference Organising Committee</i>
12:00	Lunch
	Coaches depart for airport

Saturday 18th June - morning