

## Diploma in Medicine for the Older Person – Now open for applications - Beginning October 2019

60 CPD Credits

Do you want to develop expert knowledge and skills in medicine for the older person?

By participating in this diploma, you can learn how to diagnose, treat and manage a wide range of conditions and clinical presentations associated with older people.

You will attend modules on mobility, cognition, falls and bone health, community care, neurological disorders, multi-morbidities and frailty, psychiatry in old age, and advances in gerontology (including legal aspects). You will learn from leading experts in geriatric medicine and explore the most critical issues facing geriatric medicine in Ireland, including the growing number of Irish citizens aged over 75.

This programme is suitable for GPs who have an interest in the care of the older person.

This programme is delivered through a mix of online and face-to-face learning experiences. You will view online material and access readings, ask questions, and complete assignments in our virtual learning environment, as well as attend lectures and practical workshops, and engage in case discussions and reflective exercises.

Curriculum designed and delivered by leading experts:

- Dr Joe Browne, Programme Director of this Diploma and Consultant Geriatrician and Clinical Lead in the Acute Medical Assessment Unit, St James's Hospital
- Dr Rosa McNamara, Consultant in Emergency Medicine, St James's Hospital
- Dr Susie O'Callaghan, Consultant Geriatrician, Falls and Syncope Unit, St James's Hospital
- Dr Maitiú Ó Tuathail, General Practitioner
- Niamh Murphy, SCOPe HSCP Manager/Physiotherapy Manager, St James's Hospital
- Dr Paul McElwaine, Consultant Geriatrician, Tallaght University Hospital
- Dr Isweri Pillay, Consultant in Geriatric and General Internal Medicine, and Clinical lead for the Integrated Care Program for Older Persons, South Tipperary General Hospital
- Dr Elaine Greene, Consultant Psychiatrist, St James's Hospital and Clinical Associate Professor, Psychiatry at Trinity College School of Medicine

Topics include:

- Leadership and quality improvement in medicine for the older person
- The management of chronic diseases in the older person
- Effective communication with the older patient and their family
- Identifying risks and consequences of falls and syncope
- The diagnosis and management pathways of stroke and other neurological disorders
- Common psychiatric and behavioural issues that present in older age, including dementia and delirium
- Recognising red flags in the patient's examination or history that could indicate abuse and how to deal with this
- End of life care, palliative medicine and the legal aspects of geriatric medicine.

Applications close on 30 September, 2019

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