

Northern Ireland Branch of the BPS Virtual Annual Conference 2021 Thursday 15th - Friday 16th April

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Time	Session A	Session B	Session C	
9.15	Conference Welcome Dr Karen Hagan, NIBPS Chair			
9.30	Keynote: Experiences of the evidence to practice pipeline for UK psychology in Covid-19 Prof Lucie Byrne Davis, University of Manchester			
10:35	Session Change Over			
10.40	Keynote: Rising to the challenge. Clinical Psychology's response to the pandemic Prof Nichola Rooney, Queen's University Belfast			
11.45	Stretch & Screen Break			
11.55	Keynote: Understanding Suicide Risk in the time of Covid Prof Rory O'Connor, University of Glasgow			
12.55	Lunch			
13.30	Symposium: Health behaviour during a pandemic: what can be learnt from health psychology? Sponsored by DHPNI Convenor: Dr Liz Simpson, Ulster University	Workshop: Overcoming research challenges - a flexible approach Chair: Dr Gillian Shorter, Queen's University Belfast Convenors: Natasha Dalton & Cara Ghiglieri, Postgraduate Reps NIBPS Committee	Coaching your way out of Covid Alison Clarke & Tia Moin, Special Group for Coaching Psychology (SGCP)	
13.45	Advance care planning in a COVID-19 outbreak: Development of an online educational programme for care home staff and family members Julie Doherty, Queen's University Belfast	Developmental Dr Victoria Simms, Ulster University		
13.50	Predictors of screening for COVID-19: employing the Health Belief Model Niall McGrath, Ulster University	Experimental and Behaviour Dr Denis O'Hora, NUI Galway		
13.55		Educational Enda Cunningham, Queen's University Belfast		
14.05		Animal Dr Catherine Reeve, Queen's University Belfast		
14.10	Factors influencing perception and beliefs about Covid-19 vaccines safety and acceptance amongst young adults. A qualitative study Joanne Treacy, Ulster University	Neuro Dr Niamh Kennedy, Ulster University		
14.15		Panel		
14.25				
14.30	The impact of COVID-19 on quality of life, stress and coping in women at mid-life: A focus group investigation Kerry J. Lum, Ulster University			
14.35				
14.50	Stretch & Screen Break			

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15.00	Symposium: Psychological Approaches to Obesity Management Sponsored by DCPNI Convenor: Dr Petra Corr, Northern Health & Social Care Trust Opening address: Mark Taylor, DoH	Clinical Dr Pauline Adair, Queen’s University Belfast	
15.10	The role of psychology within the Glasgow & Clyde Specialist Weight Management Service Dr Ross Shearer, Glasgow & Clyde Specialist Weight Management Service	Sport Dr Gavin Breslin, Ulster University	
15.20		Ethics Dr Claire Hewson, The Open University	
15.30		Researching with vulnerable Groups Prof Tony Cassidy, Ulster University	
15.40	Raising the Issue of Childhood Obesity Rebecca Houghton & Catherine Black, Northern Health & Social Care Trust	Viva - Dr Suzanne McCartney, Stranmillis University College	
15.50		Panel	
16.00	FIT Families Dr Anne-Marie McClean, South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust		
16.10			
16.20	Developing Health Coaching interventions for people living with long term conditions Dr Rodger Graham, South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust		
16.50	Day One Closing Comments		

18.00	NIBPS AGM & Networking
20.00	End

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8.50	Welcome & Introduction , Rachel Lindsay, Chair DOPNI		
8.55	Why membership and members matter , Karen Beamish, BPS Director of Membership and Professional Development		
9.15	Keynote: Supporting Staff Wellbeing: an NI perspective Dr Sarah Meekin, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust		
10:20	Session Change Over		
10.25	Keynote: Navigating Mental Health and Wellbeing at Work Dr Jo Yarker, Birkbeck University of London		
11.30	Stretch & Screen Break		
11.40	Promoting Psychological Wellbeing at Work Sponsored by DOPNI Convenor: Rachel Lindsay Agile Working: How to Develop Digital Resilience and Thrive Dr Christine Grant, Coventry University		Forensic Practice in Covid Times Sponsored by DFPNI Convenors: Dr Robin Jordan & Dr Sarah Ruston Building Better Psychological Futures: The Opportunities and Challenges in Improving Outcomes For Children and Young People in Residential Care in Northern Ireland Dr Robin Jordan, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust
12.00	Retirement – what else? Supporting older workers career options Clare Mulligan-Foster, Birkbeck University of London	Trajectories of depression, anxiety and PTSD in the first UK lockdown: data from The COVID-19 Psychological Wellbeing Study (CV19PWS) Kareena McAloney-Kocaman	The challenges facing unaccompanied minors entering the looked after care system in Northern Ireland Dr Kevin Brookfield, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust
12.10			
12.20	Sedentary behaviour, physical activity, and wellbeing at work: A goal-based perspective Dr Benjamin Gardner, King's College London	"It's more just a warning.": Young people's experiences and views of sex education in Northern Ireland and suggestions for improvement Sophy Irwin	Trauma Exposure and Domestic Violence Offending Severity in a Probation Sample Twylla Cunningham, PBNI
12.30		Understanding Life in Lockdown for Autistic Young People Gillian O'Hagan	

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12.40	IGLOO resources enabling sustainable return to work following mental ill-health Dr Jo Yarker, Birkbeck University of London	Exploring the facilitators and barriers to following COVID-19 guidelines on social distancing among young people in Northern Ireland Emma Berry	Continuing practice in lockdown: Forensic Psychologists response to adapting to remote working, use of technology and ethical considerations for future practice Aileen Houston, PBNi
12.50		PRESENTATION WITHDRAWN A freedom of information request on HSC Trust service provision for adults with autistic spectrum disorder Claire McVeigh	
13.00	Lunch & Poster Viewing		
13.45	Keynote: Promoting Psychological and Physical Wellbeing in older people during covid-19 Frances Duffy, Northern Health & Social Care Trust, & Siobhan Casey, AGE NI		
14.50	Understanding the lived experiences of Healthcare Professionals during the COVID-19 Pandemic: An Interpretative phenomenological analysis Catherine Hitch		Poster Q&A Session Please see Poster Abstract Document
15.00	“Jesus, Here We Go Again”: Experiences of Loneliness during the COVID-19 Lockdown in the UK Phoebe McKenna-Plumley	A thematic review of barriers and facilitators to collaboration between NEPS psychologists, Special Educational Needs Co-ordinators and Senior Leadership Teams in Irish post-primary schools Maria Holland	
15.10	Predictors of Compliance with Covid-19 Precautionary Measures: The Role of Empathy, Age and Gender Laura Mahady	Educator and Student Perspectives of Nurture Group Provision in a Mainstream Secondary School in Ireland Niamh Walsh	
15.20	Differences in Psychiatric Symptoms between the UK and Greece prior to and during COVID-19: the roles of Subclinical Narcissism and Mental Toughness Tayler Truhan	The Age of Worry: The effectiveness of school-based CBT interventions to treat adolescents with social anxiety Ciara Raleigh	Changing Behaviours, Changing Lives - The Role of Psychology... psychology within the community Panel Chair: Dr Emma Carroll, Northern Health & Social Care Trust
15.30	Does the coronavirus pandemic have a gendered impact? Assessing the predictive role of the (im)balance between caregiving responsibilities and working from home for women vs. men Vasilena Stefanova	The Relaunch. Back to School after COVID-19 Restrictions. Guidance from the Psychological Society of Ireland Marian Naughton	
15.40	Stretch & Screen Break		Panel Members: Dr Noel Brick, Ulster University Dr Anne Darcy, Western Health & Social Care Trust Dr Jenny Groake, Queen’s University Belfast Dr Liz Simpson, Ulster University

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15.50	Beneath the Surface: the Influence of Music and the Dark Triad Traits on Stress and Performance Teresa Gomes Arrulo	The Impacts of Autism Awareness Interventions on Secondary School Students' Attitudes towards Students with Autism Elaine O'Keeffe	
16.00	The Effectiveness of Psychotherapeutic Interventions for Inpatients with Borderline Personality Disorder: A Systematic Review Ryan Luney	Children's School Lives: The impact of teacher support and having additional educational needs (AEN) on pupil wellbeing in Irish primary schools Maire Fitzgerald	
16.10	A Mini-Systematic Review of Victim Empathy Treatment for Convicted Sex Offenders Emily Jeanneault	Developing Attachment-Focused Interventions for Children in Care in Primary Schools: A Design and Implementation Study of 'The Attach Project' Hannah Russell	
16.20	Therapists' experiences of 'internet exposure' in the therapeutic relationship: an interpretative phenomenological analysis Stacey Baraniuk	Children of the forgotten women - attachment in mother and baby home survivors Natasha Dalton	
16.30	Personal View: Integrated Phased Intervention for Complex Posttraumatic Stress Disorder with Comorbid Substance Use Disorder Following Intimate Terrorism Julie Beaumont	Understanding and addressing Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) in residential care: The residential social care worker perspective Michael Roache	
16.40	Staying Connected to Zoo – How connecting to zoos can help us feel connected to animals and each other during COVID times Alaina Macri	The associations between Memories of Benevolent Childhood Experiences and Student Mental Health. What do we really know? Saskia Craig	
16.50	Stretch & Screen Break		
17.00	Keynote: Psychological distress and resilience in a population under existential threat: Understanding the multifaceted impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic Prof Richard Bentall, University of Sheffield		
18.05	Closing comments & prizes		
18.20	Conference Close		