



IRISH MEDICAL  
ORGANISATION  
Ceardchumann Dochtúirí na hÉireann

## Annual General Meeting 2014

24th – 26th April 2014 | Carton House, Maynooth, Co Kildare

IMO@30

**The Trade Union representing  
doctors and fighting for patients**

2014

# Annual General Meeting 2014

## Celebrating 30 Years



Dear Colleagues

The 2014 Annual General Meeting will celebrate the 30th anniversary of the founding of the IMO – your Trade Union. The event will take place from 24th to 26th April in Carton House, Co Kildare.

The last year has shown just how much this profession needs a Trade Union to represent it and we, as your Trade Union and representative body, are leading the way with our campaign for legal and safe working hours for NCHDs, defending the rights of GPs to be fully represented, fighting for fair treatment for new entrant consultants and defending the contractual rights of consultants, protecting the vital work of our public and community health doctors and seeking to have proper resources attach to this important service.

Over the past three decades the IMO has consistently been at the forefront promoting policy on a wide range of health and societal issues. The AGM Programme will look at how we can balance economic growth and a more equitable society to address the health and social issues associated with inequality. The AGM Programme will also highlight the key advances in medicine over the past 30 years. Much has changed in the practice of medicine since the IMO was established but what remains constant is the professional values of the doctors who are at the heart of the health services. Unfortunately those core values are under threat as we struggle to deliver care to patients in an environment of reduced resources and increased demand.

The AGM is an opportunity for us to gather together as a profession to debate our policies on wider health issues. This meeting is also your chance to have your say and participate in your National Specialty Meeting which will consider and debate the many workplace and contractual issues affecting your career in the Irish health services. Additionally the meeting will have a CPD (Continuing Professional Development) Programme which offers you, as an IMO member, an opportunity to avail of CPD Accreditation for these interesting and topical sessions. And, as already advised to members, the very way in which we in the IMO are to manage our own affairs into the future will be considered with a proposal from your Council on a new set of Rules and Code of Practice for the Organisation.

The IMO is a force for good and a voice for change – let your voice be heard and attend the 2014 AGM.

Sincerely

**Dr Matthew Sadler**  
President



## SCIENTIFIC AND CPD PROGRAMME

**Thursday 24th April - CPD Seminar**  
6pm - 7.30pm

**Taxation Issues** – Ms Simone Hennessey, HSOC, discusses professional and personal taxation issues.

**Friday 25th April - CPD Seminar**  
8.00am - 9.30am

**Carrying out a Clinical Audit** - The Medical Council will hold a practical workshop on carrying out a clinical audit.

**Friday 25th April - CPD Seminar**  
2.00pm - 3.00pm

**Patient Consent** - Dr Deirdre Madden and Ms Angela Hughes, HSE National Consent Advisory Group, discuss legislation and best practice for obtaining patient consent.

**Friday 25th April - Scientific Session I**  
3.00pm - 4.30pm

**Balancing a Strong Economy and an Equitable Society** - Evidence shows that more equal societies have fewer health and social problems and are better able to cope with economic downturn. During the boom years economic growth failed to filter down to the poorer classes and recent austerity measures have done little to address income disparities. On our 30th anniversary the IMO has invited some of Ireland's leading think-tanks to present their vision for economic growth and a more equitable society.

**Speakers:** Mr Nat O'Connor, Director TASC, Mr Tom Nealy, NERI and Dr Trevor Duffy

This programme is eligible for study leave for GPs, hospital doctors and community based doctors. The IMO has applied for CPD Accreditation for these sessions.

**Saturday 26th April - CPD Seminar**  
8.00am - 9.30am

**Medico-legal Issues and Risks** - Ms Ruth Shipsey and Ms Kate McMahon of Medisec present a number of scenarios which pose medico-legal issues and risks.

**Saturday 26th April - CPD Seminar**  
9.30am – 10.30am

**Maintaining Professional Values in Modern Healthcare Delivery** - Dr Richard Brennan will hold a workshop on maintaining professional values and autonomy in practice through a series of case studies.

**Saturday 26th April - Scientific Session II**  
3.30pm - 5.00pm

**Practicing Medicine 30 Years On** - Celebrating 30 years of the IMO, the second seminar will examine the changes in medicine over the last three decades including the most important Public Health Interventions as well as Medical and Surgical innovations and research. The session will also look at how despite the increasing commodification of healthcare, professional values remain the same.

**Speakers:** Dr Paul Mc Keown, Dr John FA Murphy, Prof. Des O'Neill

## NATIONAL SPECIALTY MEETINGS

**Saturday 26th April**  
10:30am - 1:00pm

- General Practitioners
- Consultants
- Non-Consultant Hospital Doctors
- Public Health Doctors



### Register to attend

Log onto our website: [www.imo.ie](http://www.imo.ie)  
or contact Janice Haugh: [Jhaugh@imo.ie](mailto:Jhaugh@imo.ie)  
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## SOCIAL PROGRAMME

### Thursday 24th April

Golf

Carton House Golf Course

1.30pm – 3.00pm

### Thursday 24th April

Buffet Supper

Carton House

### Saturday 26th

Cocktail & Gala Banquet

Carton House

## ACCOMMODATION

### Carton House Hotel, Co Kildare

Single Room Per Night: **€140 B&B**

Double/Twin Per Night: **€155 B&B**

Room upgrades are available, please contact us for rates.

To book a room please log on to [www.imo.ie](http://www.imo.ie) alternatively please contact Janice Haugh [jhaugh@imo.ie](mailto:jhaugh@imo.ie) or call 01 6767273

## KIDS CLUB - AGED 3-7

*(Children must be toilet trained)*

### Friday and Saturday

**9:30pm - 5:30pm**

The Kids Club will keep your children entertained and active with a fully supervised programme of fun and games. Activities include games, arts & crafts, singing, story telling and movies. Lunch will be provided each day for participants.

## JUNIOR CAMP - AGED 8-18

### Friday and Saturday

**9:30am - 5:30pm**

**7:30pm - 10:00pm**

The Junior Camp offers a range of sporting and fun activities within a fully supervised programme. Activities will include a range of team sport activities, swimming and treasure hunts. Lunch will be provided each day for participants.

