CHARTER DAY MEETING
8th - 11th FEBRUARY 2017

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NCPS = 4.5 credits
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FRIDAY
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THE RCSI ROYAL CHARTER

In 1765 Sylvester O’Halloran, a surgeon from Limerick, had proposed a College of Surgeons in Ireland along the lines of the College de St. Cosme in Paris, which had been regulating French surgery since its creation by royal charter by Louis IX in 1255. O’Halloran called for a college of surgery to be founded in Dublin to train, educate and examine persons in the art of surgery. This lead to a group of Dublin surgeons joining together and forming the Dublin Society of Surgeons in 1780. The main goals of the society were to separate surgeons from the Barber Surgeons Guild and provide surgical training, education and regulation in Ireland. They lobbied for a royal charter in 1781 and presented the Lord Lieutenant with their petition. The Lord Lieutenant presented the petition to King George III who saw it fit to grant a royal charter on 11 February 1784 establishing the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland. The first President was Samuel Croker-King (1728-1817) and the first Professor of Surgery was William Dease (1752-1798).

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It gives me great pleasure to welcome everybody to our Annual Charter Day meeting.

The Annual Commemoration of the granting of our Charter by King George III in 1784 remains a reminder to us of our responsibilities. The original Charter charged us with the provision of Surgical Education and the control of Surgical Practice.

RCSI has changed immensely since then such that now we are an independent not-for-profit focussed Health Sciences Institution with degree awarding status with an extremely broad – both National and International – perspective and activity.

We still however continue to strive to deliver our surgical remit.

This year’s committee of Ken Mealy, Sean Tierney, Kieran Ryan, Louise Loughran, Aoife Congdon, Claire Phelan, and Kate Smith have put together a programme which we hope will be stimulating and relevant to you.

We begin on Thursday February 9th with the National Clinical Programme for Surgery meeting. Later that evening we have the 27th Annual Video-Surgery meeting presented once again by Professor Tom Walsh.

On Friday 10th – the morning meeting is of parallel sessions from the different surgical specialties. Directly following the parallel sessions, we will launch our new RCSI Fellowship and Membership Programme, our three-year phased plan to provide enhanced value and support for our surgical Fellows and Members based here in Ireland and across 78 other countries Worldwide. Addressing the critical developmental / transitional needs at each stage of a surgeon’s career, this strategy will provide Fellows and Members with greater opportunities to connect with their College and with their international, multi-disciplinary professional network (of over 8,000 surgical leaders).

The Johnson & Johnson lecture, entitled ‘Prevent, Intercept and Cure: Our Call to Develop Healthcare Solutions for the Modern Age’, is delivered by RCSI Alumnus Dr Aran Maree – the Chief Medical Officer of J&J, immediately after lunch.

This is followed by my Presidents Address to update the Fellows & Members in the areas of College activity, surgical training, education and practice.

The Plenary Session is on Professionalism – a core principle of our practice.

The 93rd Colles Lecture is delivered by Dr Ray Morgan, University of Virginia and is entitled ‘The Great War and the Evolution of Reconstructive Surgery’.

On Saturday the Irish Surgical Training Group host their Annual Meeting and Bosco O’Mahony lecture delivered by Ms Kokila Lakhoo, Consultant Paediatric Surgeon, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust, entitled : Global Initiatives in Paediatric Surgery: The relevance of Global Surgery in surgical training.

In the evening we will confer an Honorary Fellowship on Mr Brendan Moran of Basingstoke UK in appreciation of his tremendous contribution to the surgical practice and treatment of colorectal cancer in both the UK and Ireland and internationally.

This will be followed by the Charter Day Dinner.

I trust you will enjoy the scientific and social interactions over the few days of the meeting.

**Professor John Hyland**
President
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Please ensure you sign in each day to receive all CPD credits for the meeting. CPD credits cannot be awarded without a signature.

**PLEASE NOTE:** You will be required to sign in on two occasions on Thursday, 9th February for both the NCPS Meeting and the Videosurgery meeting to receive all 8.5 CPD credits.
## PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

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| 13.45 – 14.15| Johnson & Johnson Lecture
Dr Aran Maree, Chief Medical Officer, Johnson & Johnson               | O’Flanagan LT |
| 14.15 – 14.45| Hot Topics                                                            | O’Flanagan LT |
| 14.45 – 15.15| Presidential Address: Professor John Hyland                           | O’Flanagan LT |
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2) RCSI Surgical Travel Grant 2017
3) Sir Walter Mercer Medal 2016 | O’Flanagan LT |
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| 15.35 – 17.10| Plenary Session: Professionalism                                       | O’Flanagan LT |
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| 17.30 – 18.15| 93rd Abraham Colles Lecture
Dr Raymond Morgan                                                       | College Hall  |
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Mr Brendan J. Moran M.Ch., FRCSI, FRCSI (Gen), FRCS
Charter Day Dinner
Dress code: Black Tie, Orders & Decorations | College Hall, Exam Hall |
WEDNESDAY 8th FEBRUARY 2017

11th ANNUAL INTERCOLLEGIATE CASE PRESENTATIONS

The Intercollegiate Case Competition is an annual event which sees an individual student from each of the 6 Irish medical schools compete against one another through presentation of a surgical case, to a 3 person judging panel of well-respected surgeons. The winning student, as selected by the judges, takes home not only the bragging rights for their medical school, but is also awarded the Bouchier-Hayes Medal. The Bouchier-Hayes Medal is named in honour of Professor David Bouchier-Hayes who performed Ireland’s first laparoscopic cholecystectomy.

18.00 – 21.00  
11th Annual Intercollegiate Case Presentations  
Hosted by the RCSI Surgical Society  
including the presentation of the Professor David Bouchier-Hayes Medal  

Representatives from RCSI, UCD, TCD, UCC, UL and NUIG
NATIONAL CLINICAL PROGRAMME IN SURGERY: LESSONS LEARNED FROM SIX YEARS OF DATA

The National Clinical Programmes represent a strategic initiative between the Health Service Executive’s (HSE) Quality and Clinical Care Directorate and the various post-graduate training bodies. The programmes aim to design and implement change initiatives to improve and standardise the quality of care and access for all patients in a cost effective manner. The Programmes are structured with broad cross functional input and with clinical leadership being provided by the training bodies to ensure that the patient remains at the centre of any change recommendation. The National Clinical programmes all share three core objectives:
» To improve the quality of patient care delivered to all HSE patients
» To improve access to appropriate services
» To Improve cost effectiveness

The aim of the National Clinical Programme in Surgery is to provide a framework for the delivery of safer, more timely and accessible, more cost effective and efficient care for the surgical patient. The NCPS works closely with the other Clinical Programmes, notably the Programme in Anaesthesia, Acute and Emergency Medicine, Older Persons and Critical Care. It also works with other Clinical Programmes, when appropriate, as well as the Special Delivery Unit (SDU), patient advocacy groups and all relevant stakeholders across the health system.

The National Surgery programme reports directly into RCSI Committee for Surgical Affairs (CSA). It also reports to the Director of Clinical Strategy and Programmes Directorate in the HSE. While the national programme set out to be generic at the outset it now includes other surgical programmes such as Trauma and Orthopaedics and includes sub-specialty programmes who are General Surgery, Urology and Otolaryngology, other subspecialties will, in time have their own programme co-ordinated through the National Office.

SESSION 1: SIX YEARS OF DATA

Chair: Mr Kenneth Mealy, Vice-President, RCSI; Joint Lead, National Clinical Programme in Surgery & Wexford General Hospital, Wexford

09.00 – 09.10 Introduction
Professor Frank Keane, Joint Lead, National Clinical Programme in Surgery

09.10 – 09.25 Trauma and Orthopaedics - Six years of data “What have we learned”
Professor John M. O’Byrne, President, Irish Institute for Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery & Cappagh National Orthopaedic Hospital, Dublin

09.25 – 09.40 General Surgery - Six years of data “What have we learned”
Professor Paul Ridgway, General Surgery Consultant, General Surgery Clinical Advisor to the National Clinical Programme in Surgery, RCSI

09.40 – 09.55 Otolaryngology - Six years of data “What have we learned”
Professor Michael Walsh, Consultant in Otolaryngology, Otolaryngology Clinical Advisor to the National Clinical Programme in Surgery, RCSI
09.55 – 10.10  | **Urology - Six years of data “What have we learned”**  
Mr Eamonn Rogers, Consultant Urologist, University College Hospital Galway,  
Urology Clinical Advisor to the National Clinical Programme in Surgery, RCSI

10.10 – 10.40 | Refreshments  
Exam Hall

**SESSION 2: INSIGHTS GAINED**

**Chair:**  
Professor Sean Tierney, Dean of Professional Development & Practice, RCSI & Tallaght Hospital, Dublin

10.40 – 10.55 | **HIPE coding, accuracy and nudging the pricing system**  
Ms Maureen Cronin, Assistant Chief Financial Officer (ACFO)  
Acute Hospitals – Activity-Based Funding (ABF) / Healthcare Pricing Office (HPO)

10.55 – 11.10 | **NQAIS : Informing the system**  
Ms Eilish Croke, National NQAIS Clinical Programme Manager, RCSI

11.10 – 11.25 | **Use of data in driving performance**  
Ms Deborah McNamara, Council Member, RCSI & Beaumont Hospital, Dublin

11.25 – 11.40 | **QI: Where does it begin and end**  
Mr Kieran Tangney, Executive Director, Quality & Process Improvement Centre, RCSI

11.40 – 11.55 | **Towards a world of Healthcare outcomes**  
Professor Jan Sorensen, Director of the Healthcare Outcomes Research Centre, RCSI

11.55 – 12.55 | Lunch

**SESSION 3: THE FUTURE**

**Co - Chairs:**  
Mr Kevin O’Malley, Council Member, RCSI, Vascular Consultant,  
Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin  
Mr Michael O’Sullivan, Council Member, RCSI, Consultant in Trauma and Orthopaedics, Galway University Hospital.

13.00 – 13.15 | **Trauma Networks Rationalising the Services**  
Professor Eilis McGovern, Director of the HSE National Doctors Training and Planning (NDTP) Unit

13.15 – 13.30 | **Delivering a National Trauma Service “What Good Looks Like”**  
Mr Paddy Kenny, Connolly Hospital & Cappagh National Orthopaedic Hospital, Dublin

13.30 – 13.45 | **What the data can tell us**  
Mr Gerry Kelliher, Business Intelligence, National Clinical Programme in Surgery

13.45 – 14.00 | **Surgical Services 2020 and beyond**  
Mr Kenneth Mealy, Vice-President, RCSI; Joint Lead, National Clinical Programme in Surgery & Wexford General Hospital, Wexford

14.00 – 14.55 | Panel and Audience Discussion

14.55 – 15.00 | **Closing remarks**  
Professor John Hyland, President, RCSI
NATIONAL CLINICAL PROGRAMME IN SURGERY: OUR SPEAKERS

Professor Frank Keane,
Joint Lead, National Clinical Programme in Surgery

A graduate of Trinity College, Professor Keane was Consultant in General and Colorectal Surgery at Tallaght Meath Hospital from 1982-2010. He was President RCSI from 2008 -2010. Since then he has been Chair of the Forum of Postgraduate Training Bodies and continues to be Joint Lead in the National Clinical Programme in Surgery. He is a Fellow the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland and an Honorary Fellow of the three UK Colleges as well as Royal College of Physicians of Ireland. He has authored and co-authored over 120 peer review and policy publications.

Mr Paddy Kenny,
Connolly Hospital & Cappagh National Orthopaedic Hospital, Dublin

Mr Paddy Kenny specialises in trauma and orthopaedic surgery with a special interest in revision hip surgery and impaction bone grafting techniques. He is Joint National Clinical Lead of the Trauma and Orthopaedic Clinical Programme. Paddy is Chairman of the Irish National Orthopaedic Register (INOR) and the Irish Hip Fracture Database (IHFD). He is also chairman of the Reconstruction and Ongoing Care Subgroup of the National Trauma Steering Committee. He was President of the Irish Institute of Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery from 2014-2016 and Honorary Secretary of the ITOS from 2003 – 2011, 2013. He is also a member of the National Office of Clinical Audit (NOCA) Governance Board and member of the Royal College of Surgeon’s Committee for Surgical Affairs.

Professor John M. O’Byrne,
President, Irish Institute for Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery & Cappagh National Orthopaedic Hospital, Dublin

Professor O’Byrne has a large clinical practice, specialising in knee and hip surgery. His practice is based at Cappagh National Orthopaedic Hospital, Mater Private Hospital and Sports Surgery Clinic, Santry. Abraham Colles Chair in Orthopaedic & Trauma Surgery at Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland. President, Irish Institute of Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery. Executive Committee member, Irish Orthopaedic Association (IOA) Honorary Orthopaedic Surgeon to the Senior Irish Soccer Team. Professor O’Byrne is the Founder & Director – MCh (by module) programme in RCSI. Editorial Board Member – Irish Journal of Medical Science (UMS) – Elsevier publishing. Reviewer for multiple orthopaedic journals. Professor O’Byrne has published two textbooks and authored over 110 publications. He is Co-PI and Prof Fergal Ó’Brien is chief PI on €1.3 million SFI-HRB Translational Research Award which began in 2012. Holds multiple patents in medical devices.

Professor Paul Ridgway,
Tallaght Hospital, Dublin

Paul is an Academic Consultant General Surgeon at Tallaght Hospital with honorary appointments to Our Lady’s Hospital for Sick Children, Crumlin and St Vincent’s Hospital. Qualified from RCSI in 1996, Paul trained in Ireland, London (England) and Toronto (Canada). He has held elected positions on the councils of the Society of Academic and Research Surgery (SARS; 2005-9) and the Network of Accredited Skills Centres in Europe (NASCE, 2014-present). He was president of the Biological Society of TCD 2013/14 and is a co-founding member of the Irish Sarcoma Group. In 2016, he was appointed the National Clinical Advisor for General Surgery to the Clinical Programmes, a HSE initiative.

He has research interests in the patient-technology interface as it pertains to training and practice. His doctorate (Imperial College, London; 2002) was centred on how tumours interact with the technology used to remove them. His recent eHealth projects include the development of a Virtual Reality Outpatients (2009) and the use of a telepresence robot “LUCY” to deliver acute surgical assessment at Tallaght Hospital (2015). He has over 80 Peer reviewed publications, book chapters and numerous invited lectures. He represented Ireland as an International Cricketer at University level.
NATIONAL CLINICAL PROGRAMME
IN SURGERY: OUR SPEAKERS

Professor Michael Walsh,
Consultant in Otolaryngology, Clinical Advisor to the National Clinical Programme in Surgery, RCSI

Special Interests: Head and Neck Cancer, Facial Plastics, Chronic Nasal and Sinus Disease, Skull Bone Surgery. Research Interests: Chronic Rhinitis and Sinusitis and Head and Neck Cancer.
Membership: Former Professor and Head of Dept of ENT, Royal College of Surgeons Member of ENT Section, Royal Academy of Medicine. Former Vice President European Academy of Facial Plastics. A founding member of the institute of Otolaryngology, head and neck surgery. Former President Irish Otolaryngology Society, President section of Otolaryngology UEMS. Founding member of the Laryngectomy Association of Ireland, Clinical Vice Dean for Undergraduates RCSI (’92-’94), Member in SAC Otolaryngology UK (’95-’00)

Mr Eamonn Rogers,
Consultant Urologist University College Hospital Galway

Mr Eamonn Rogers M.Ch., M. Med. Sci., F.R.C.S.I., F.R.C.S. (Urol), Dip. Urol. (Baylor), Consultant Urologist with special interest in Urological Oncology, University College Hospital Galway; Vice President of Irish Society of Urology; Clinical Lead in Urology for Saolte Healthcare Group; National Clinical Advisor in Urology to the National Clinical Programme in Surgery and HSE. A Bevan Award winner NHS 1999. A member of Irish Society of Urology, British Association of Urological Surgeons and European Association of Urology. Throughout his career, he was responsible for formal and informal tuition of both undergraduates and fellow postgraduates at University College Hospital Galway, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, Baylor College of Medicine and University of Dublin, Trinity College.

Ms Maureen Cronin,
Assistant Chief Financial Officer (ACFO) Acute Hospitals – Activity-Based Funding (ABF) / Healthcare Pricing Office (HPO)

Maureen Cronin is a graduate of University College Dublin and a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Certified Accountants. She worked for 14 years in HSE Corporate Finance as Head of Corporate Reporting and Budgeting and has significant experience of negotiating the health budget with the Department of Finance. She was appointed as Head of the new Healthcare Pricing Office in 2014 and is leading the implementation of Activity-Based Funding in Irish Public hospitals having moved €3.2 billion of block funding on to price and volume contracts from 1 January 2016.

Ms Eilish Croke,
National NQAIS Clinical Programme Manager, RCSI

Eilish Croke, R.G.N., MBA, BNS, Dip in Computers, Communications & Research, Cert. in Op Theatre Technique, has taken up the position of Programme Manager (RCSI) for NQAIS Clinical Implementation. Eilish was formerly Director of Nursing and Midwifery Planning and Development in the Midlands and Programme Manager for the National Acute Medicine Programme (Ir). She trained as a general nurse at the Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin, completed a Bachelor in Nursing Studies (BNS) at Dublin City University and Masters in Business Administration at A.I.T. She has experience in many areas of clinical practice, education and management. She joined the Nursing and Midwifery Planning and Development Unit as workforce planner in 2003, and was subsequently appointed Director of the unit. Having a keen interest in patient safety and quality of care, she led and contributed to, a number of National Clinical Guidelines, quality assured by the National Clinical Effectiveness Committee (NCEC) in the Department of Health. She led the development and implementation of the National Early Warning Score and COMPASS education programme – a work stream of the National Acute Medicine Programme - and joined the International Crisis Checklist Collaborative for responding to patient
deterioration in 2014. She previously contributed to the work of the National Quality Assurance Intelligence System (NQAIS) Medicine.

Ms Deborah McNamara,
Council Member, RCSI & General Surgery
Consultant Beaumont Hospital, Dublin

Ms Deborah McNamara MD FRCSI (Gen Surg) is a Consultant General & Colorectal Surgeon and Clinical Director at Beaumont Hospital, Dublin. She is recipient of the Patey Prize, Registrars Prize (Surgical Section, RAMI) and is a Millin Lecturer. She was Secretary of the Irish Association of Coloproctology (2005-11), Programme Director for General Surgery (2010-13) and Secretary (2007-10) & Chairman (2010–13) of the General Surgery Sub-Committee. She represents RCSI on the National Endoscopy QA Programme and the SAC in General Surgery. A former Council Member of ACPGBI (2009-2014), she chairs the NCCP Rectal Cancer Lead Clinician Group and is an RCSI Council Member. Her interests include rectal cancer, surgical training and healthcare quality improvement.

Mr Kieran Tangney,
Executive Director, Quality & Process Improvement Centre, RCSI

Kieran is director of RCSI’s newly established Quality and Process Improvement Centre (QPIC). Before joining RCSI in 2010, Kieran led quality and process improvement programmes for some of the world’s largest medical device companies. He has also worked in senior process engineering and operations management roles with those organisations both internationally and in Ireland. On joining RCSI, Kieran worked initially as a programme manager supporting the design of the national clinical programmes in Surgery, Emergency Medicine, Radiology and Critical Care. In his subsequent role as Head of Operations in Surgical Affairs, he directly oversaw the operational management of the national surgical and emergency medicine training programmes and has been instrumental in supporting the redesign and quality enhancement of those programmes.

Professor Jan Sorensen,
Director of the Healthcare Outcomes Research Centre, RCSI

Jan Sorensen is the Director of a newly established Health Outcome Research Centre (HORC) at RCSI and a Professor of Health Economics. For 18 years he has held senior research positions at the University of Southern Denmark including 8 years as a professor of health services research. Researchers from the new HORC will study differential outcomes that might arise from different ways of organizing and financing healthcare service and have special interests in health economic evaluations, quality of life and outcome research. Currently, the research program of HORC includes consequences for health outcomes of long waiting times, modeling cost-effectiveness of major orthopedic procedures, implications from cancelations of planned surgery and outcomes from new funding principles.

Professor Eilis McGovern,
Director of the HSE National Doctors Training and Planning (NDTP) Unit

Professor Eilis McGovern, FRSCI, is the National Programme Director for Medical Training in the Health Service Executive. Professor McGovern is responsible for overseeing the HSE’s legislative responsibilities for medical education and training as well as being a key leader in the continuing development of strategies and operational models to support and enhance medical training and medical workforce planning.

A graduate of University College Dublin Medical School, Prof. McGovern completed internship and basic surgical training before obtaining her Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland in 1982. She then trained in cardiothoracic surgery in Dublin, followed by a clinical fellowship in the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota. She was appointed as a consultant cardiothoracic surgeon to the Mater and Royal City of Dublin Hospitals in 1987. In 1999 she transferred to St James’s Hospital in Dublin to oversee the opening of a new cardiac surgery unit.
In the field of undergraduate medicine she chaired the Medical Faculty Board of the Royal College of Surgeons medical school from 2001 until 2006. She has also been actively involved in teaching in St James’s Hospital which is one of the two major teaching hospitals for Trinity College Medical School. She has a long track record in postgraduate training. She is a past member of the Intercollegiate Board for cardiothoracic surgery (UK and Ireland) and a former examiner. She chaired the Irish Postgraduate Medical and Dental Board from 2003 to 2007 and currently sits on a range of committees and groups dealing with postgraduate medical education and training.

Professor McGovern was President of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, from 2010 to 2012, having been a Council Member prior to this since 1993.

Mr Gerry Kelliher,
Business Intelligence, National Clinical Programme in Surgery

An advocate for data driven decision making in support of integrated change of health care provisioning in HSE Acute Hospitals with the objective of better care for patients in the most appropriate setting while utilizing scarce resource more efficiently. Gerry has contributed to surgical, trauma and pediatric models of care, NQAIS, TPOT, work load analysis, capacity planning and metrics informed change initiatives in the HSE. Gerry has provided Strategic / Programme / Project management, business consulting and ICT Architect leadership for multiple projects and accounts in different B2B, B2C and G2C jurisdictions.

Mr Kenneth Mealy,
Vice-President, RCSI; Joint Lead, National Clinical Programme in Surgery & Wexford General Hospital, Wexford

Mr Mealy (FRCSI 1985) undertook his clinical and academic training in Ireland, the UK, Harvard Medical School, Boston and the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. He was appointed a consultant gastrointestinal surgeon attached to Wexford General Hospital in 1998. With a long interest in surgical training as Chair of the Dublin Region Basic Surgical Training Committee and then as the Chair of the National Basic Surgical Training Programme, he was elected to the Council of RCSi in 2008. Since then he has chaired the Finance Committee, the Committee for Surgical Affairs and the Irish Surgical Postgraduate Training Committee. He has been Joint Lead for the National Clinical Programme in Surgery since 2010 and Medical Director of the National Office of Clinical Audit (NOCA) since 2012. He was elected as Vice-President of RCSi in June 2016.

27th ANNUAL
VIDEOSURGERY:
GUEST SPEAKER

Mr Brendan J. Moran,
M.Ch., FRCSI, FRCSI (Gen), FRCS

Brendan Moran is Consultant Surgeon in Basingstoke since 1995. He qualified in University College Cork in 1980 and obtained FRCSI in 1984. He was awarded MCH, by Thesis, University College Cork in 1989. He established the peritoneal malignancy programme in Basingstoke, now the largest in the world, and is the Lead Clinician for the English Significant Polyp Early Colorectal Cancer (SPECC) program. He is an executive and founder member of PSOGI (Peritoneal Surface Oncology Group International). He is President in Waiting of the Association of Coloproctology of GB and Ireland (President 2018). He is Honorary Professor of Surgery, National University of Singapore and Aarhus University Denmark.
THURSDAY 9th FEBRUARY 2017

27th ANNUAL VIDEOSURGERY
Connolly Hospital Blanchardstown presents VideoSurgery in conjunction with RCSI

16.00 – 16.30  Registration. Front Hall, York Street entrance
Co-Chairs:  Professor Sean Tierney and Mr Mohammed Atie

16.30 – 16.40  Introduction
Professor Tom Walsh, Connolly Hospital, Dublin

16.40 – 16.50  A New Dimension. Not a New Technique
Professor Arnold Hill, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin

16.50 – 17.05  Emerging Applications of 3D Printing in Patients with Complex Congenital Cardiac Disease Undergoing Transplantation
Mr Lars Nölke, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin

17.05 – 17.15  Anterior Component Separation - a Useful Addition IN Laparoscopic Ventral Hernia Repair
Mr Dermot Hehir, Midland Regional Hospital, Tullamore

17.15 – 17.25  The Hepatic Ante-situm Approach for Membranous Obstruction of the IVC
Mr John Conneely, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin

17.25 – 17.40  Complications Post Gastric Banding
Mr Mayilone Arumugasamy, Beaumont and Connolly Hospitals, Dublin

17.40 – 17.50  Laparoscopic Gallbladder Aspiration For The Difficult Gallbladder
Professor Tom Walsh, Connolly Hospital, Dublin

17.50 – 18.30  Difficult Laparoscopic Cholecystectomies
Mr Gerry McEntee, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin

18.30 – 19.00  Refreshments
Co-Chairs:  Professor John Hyland, President, RCSI & Mr Kenneth Mealy, Vice-President, RCSI

19.00 – 19.10  Modified Roux en Y Gastric Bypass for Failed Anti-Reflux Surgery
Mr William Robb, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin

19.10 – 19.20  Thoracoscopic Repair of Chylothorax Post Oesophagectomy
Mr Mayilone Arumugasamy, Beaumont and Connolly Hospitals, Dublin

19.20 – 19.30  Redo Delorme
Professor Ronan O’Connell, Council Member, RCSI & St Vincent’s University Hospital, Dublin

19.30 – 19.40  Laparoscopic Ileal Pouch Anal Anastomosis
Mr John Burke, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin

19.40 – 19.50  Robotic Anterior Resection with Splenic Flexure Mobilisation
Mr Colin Peirce, University Hospital Limerick

19.50  GUEST SPEAKER
Pelvic Lymphadenectomy and Peritoneectomy
Mr Brendan J. Moran, Hampshire Hospitals
FRIDAY 10th FEBRUARY 2017

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FRIDAY 10th FEBRUARY 2017

MORNING SESSION

PARALLEL SESSION:
CARDIOThorACIC SURGERY

Co-Chairs: Mr John Hinchion, Cork University Hospital, Cork
Mr Ronan Ryan, St. James's Hospital, Dublin

09.00 – 09.45 Valve preserving aortic root as a model of supra regional referral
Professor Mark Redmond, Consultant Cardiothoracic Surgeon, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital and Our Lady's Children's Hospital Crumlin, Dublin

Co-Chairs: Mr Hossein Javadpour, Mater Misercordiae University Hospital, Dublin
Mr Michael Tolan, St. Vincent’s University Hospital, Dublin

09.45 – 10.30 How are we going to staff Cardiothoracic units?
Mr Lars Nölke, Our Lady's Children's Hospital Crumlin & Mater Misercordiae University Hospital, Dublin
Mr Vincent Young, St. James's Hospital, Dublin
Mr Alan Soo, University College Hospital Galway, Galway
Mr John Hinchion, Cork University Hospital, Cork

10.30 – 11.00 Exhibition & Refreshments
Exam Hall

Co-Chairs: Ms Donna Eaton, Mater Misercordiae University Hospital, Dublin
Ms Sarah Early, St. James’s Hospital, Dublin

11.00 – 11.45 What should we advise our trainees as regards combined cardiac and thoracic surgery?
Ms Karen Redmond, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin
Mr Jonathan McGuinness, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin

Co-Chairs: Mr David Healy, St. Vincent’s University Hospital, Dublin
Mr Simon MacGowan, Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast

11.45 – 12.30 Mycobacterium Chimera an update
Mr Lars Nölke, Our Lady’s Children’s Hospital Crumlin & Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin

12.30 – 13.45 Lunch & Exhibition
Exam Hall
PARALLEL SESSION: GENERAL SURGERY

SESSION I: GALLBLADDER SURGERY

Co-Chairs:
Mr Fiachra Cooke, Consultant Colorectal Surgeon, University Hospital Waterford
Mr Gerry McEntee, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin

09.00 – 09.20 The Acute Gallbladder
Mr Mark Grannell, Consultant General Surgeon, South West Acute Hospital, Co. Fermanagh, Northern Ireland

09.20 – 09.40 Damage Limitation in Gallbladder Surgery; Tips and Tricks to Get Out of Jail
Professor Tom Walsh, Consultant Oesophagogastric Surgeon, Connolly Memorial Hospital Blanchardstown, Dublin

09.40 – 10.00 Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy; Which Patient, When, Where and by Whom
Mr Adrian O’Sullivan, Consultant HPB Surgeon, Mercy University Hospital & Cork University Hospital, Cork

10.00 – 10.30 Discussion

10.30 – 11.00 Exhibition & Refreshments
Exam Hall

SESSION II: DRIVING THE QUALITY AGENDA IN COLONOSCOPY

Co-Chairs:
Mr Fiachra Cooke, Consultant Colorectal Surgeon, University Hospital Waterford
Mr Paul McCormick, Consultant Colorectal Surgeon, St. James’s Hospital, Dublin

11.00 – 11.20 The National Endoscopy Quality Improvement Programme. An Update for 2017
Professor Steve Patchett, Consultant Gastroenterologist, Beaumont Hospital and Chairman of the Endoscopy QI Program Working Group

11.20 – 11.40 Endoscopy Training in Ireland: Future Directions
Professor Glen Doherty, Consultant Gastroenterologist, St. Vincent’s University Hospital, Dublin

11.40 – 12.00 Using NQAIM to Drive Personal and Unit Performance Improvement
Mr Fiachra Cooke, Consultant Colorectal Surgeon, University Hospital Waterford

12.00 – 12.30 Discussion

12.30 – 13.45 Lunch & Exhibition
Exam Hall
THE USE OF MODERN TECHNOLOGY TO DELIVER BETTER EYE CARE

Co-Chairs: Mr Gerry Fahy, University Hospital Galway and Programme Director HST Ophthalmic Surgery
Miss Yvonne Delaney, Dean of Post Graduate Education, Irish College of Ophthalmologists

09.00 – 09.05 Opening Address
Professor Billy Power, President Irish College of Ophthalmologists

09.05 – 09.30 What is changing in delivery of services for retinal disease?
Mr David Keegan, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin

09.30 – 09.55 Evolving trends in delivery of glaucoma services
Professor Colm O’Brien, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin

10.00 – 10.30 New model of delivery of eye care services in Scotland
Professor Roshini Sanders, NHS Fife’s Queen Margaret Hospital, Dunfermline

10.30 – 11.00 Exhibition & Refreshments
Exam Hall

Co-Chairs: Miss Marie Hickey Dwyer, Consultant Ophthalmic Surgeon
University Hospital Limerick
Dr Fiona Kearns, Ophthalmic Physician, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin

11.00 – 11.30 New models of delivery of eye care services in Northern Ireland
Professor Julie Silvestri, Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast

11.30 – 12.00 Innovations and stem cells in ocular surface reconstruction and corneal transplantation
Professor Conor Murphy, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland and Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital, Dublin

12.00 – 12.30 Gene therapy applied to eye disease
Mr Paul Kenna, Royal Victoria Eye and Ear, Dublin

12.30 – 13.45 Lunch & Exhibition
Exam Hall
ENHANCING CULTURE OF PATIENT SAFETY IN OTOLARYNGOLOGY
HEAD AND NECK SURGERY

Co-Chairs: Professor John Fenton, University Hospital Limerick, Limerick
Ms Helena Rowley, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital & Children’s University Hospital, Temple Street, Dublin

08.55 – 09.00 Welcome
Professor Laura Viani, Council Member, RCSI

09.00 – 09.15 Salivary gland surgery. How to avoid a medical council complaint and the courts
Mr Paul Lennon, St. James’s Hospital, Dublin

09.15 – 09.30 Near Misses in ENT
Professor John Fenton, University Hospital Limerick, Limerick

09.30 – 09.45 Patient Safety Issues and Paediatric Otolaryngology
Ms Helena Rowley, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital & Children’s University Hospital, Temple Street, Dublin

09.45 – 10.00 Flying below 10: NOTSS for Surgeons
Professor Ivan Keogh, University Hospital Galway, Galway

10.00 – 10.15 Neuro-Otology & Lateral Skull Base Surgery
Professor Rory McConn Walsh, Beaumont Hospital / RCSI, Dublin

10.15 – 10.30 A review of national clinical incidents, claims and costs in Otolaryngology
Dr Dubheasa Slattery, Head of Clinical Risk at the State Claims Agency & Consultant General and Respiratory Paediatrician

10.30 – 11.00 Exhibition & Refreshments
Exam Hall

11.00 – 11.15 Human Factors and Surgical Identity
Ms Camila Carroll, RCSI Member of Council, Consultant Otolaryngologist
Head and Neck Surgeon, Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital, Dublin

11.15 – 11.30 Patient safety and Quality assurance in Thyroid Surgery
Mr Patrick Sheehan, Cork University Hospital, Cork

11.30 – 11.45 Rhinological Issues
Mr David Smyth, University Hospital Waterford, Waterford

11.45 – 12.00 Facial Plastics and Indemnity Issues in Full Time Private Practice
Mr Michael Harney, Bon Secours Hospital, Cork

12.00 – 12.20 Patients, Surgeons and Safety
Professor Freddie Wood, Irish Medical Council President

12.30 – 13.45 Lunch & Exhibition
Exam Hall
PARALLEL SESSION: TRAUMA & ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY
Combined Session with the Faculty of Radiologists

ADVANCES IN DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING IN TRAUMA AND ORTHOPAEDIC CONDITIONS

Co-Chairs:
- Dr Philip Hodnett, University Hospital Limerick, Limerick
- Mr Brendan O’Daly, Tallaght Hospital, Dublin

09.00 – 09.05 Introduction and Welcome
Professor John M. O’Byrne, President, Irish Institute for Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery & Cappagh National Orthopaedic Hospital, Dublin

09.05 – 09.23 Shoulder
- Mr Diarmuid Molony, Tallaght Hospital, Dublin
- Dr Conor Shortt, Tallaght Hospital, Dublin

09.23 – 09.41 MSK Infection / Osteomyelitis
- Mr David Moore, Council Member, RCSI, Our Lady’s Children’s Hospital Crumlin & Tallaght Hospital, Dublin
- Dr Ciaran Johnson, St James’s Hospital, Dublin

09.41 – 09.59 Paediatrics
- Mr Pat O’Toole, Our Lady’s Children’s Hospital Crumlin, Dublin
- Dr Aisling Snow, Our Lady’s Children’s Hospital Crumlin, Dublin

09.59 – 10.17 Major Trauma
- Mr Joseph Queally, Cambridge University Hospital, Addenbrookes
- Dr Ferdia Bolster, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin

10.17 – 10.30 Exertional Compartment Syndrome
- Professor John M. O’Byrne, President, Irish Institute for Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery & Cappagh National Orthopaedic Hospital, Dublin
- Professor Steve Eustace, Cappagh National Orthopaedic Hospital & Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin

10.30 – 11.00 Exhibition & Refreshments
Exam Hall
**PARALLEL SESSION: TRAUMA & ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY**  
*Combined Session with the Faculty of Radiologists*

Co - Chairs:  
Dr Diane Bergin, University College Hospital Galway, Galway  
Ms May Cleary, University Hospital Waterford, Waterford

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Dr Paul Foran, Connolly Hospital, Blanchardstown, Dublin |
| 11.18 – 11.36 | Hip (FAI)                | Mr Tom McCarthy, St James’s Hospital, Dublin  
Dr Philip Hodnett, University Hospital Limerick, Limerick |
| 11.36 – 11.54 | Foot and Ankle          | Professor Robert Flavin, St. Vincent’s University Hospital & University College Dublin, Dublin  
Dr Diane Bergin, University College Hospital Galway, Galway |
| 11.54 – 12.12 | Prosthetic Joint Infection/ Loosening | Mr Paul McKenna, University Hospital Waterford, Waterford  
Dr Philip Hodnett, University Hospital Limerick, Limerick |
| 12.12 – 12.30 | Knee Soft Tissue Injuries | Mr Michael Donnelly, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin  
Dr Oisin Flanagan, Sports Surgery Clinic, Dublin |
| 12.30 – 13.45 | Lunch & Exhibition      |                                                                             |
SESSION I: PAEDIATRIC UROLOGY

Co-Chairs: Mr Eamonn Rogers, ISU Vice-President, Consultant Urologist, Galway University Hospital, Galway
Mr Ciaran Brady, Consultant Urologist, Mercy University Hospital, Cork

09.00 – 09.25 Paediatric Urology in Ireland: past, present and future
Mr Feargal Quinn, Consultant Paediatric Urologist, Our Lady's Hospital Crumlin, Dublin

09.25 – 09.50 Cryptorchidism in Ireland 2017: who, where, when, why?
Mr Fardod O’Kelly, Urology Specialist Registrar, Our Lady's Hospital Crumlin, Dublin

09.50 – 10.15 Hypospadias: an overview
Mr Eamonn Kiely, Consultant Urologist, Cork University Hospital, Cork

10.15 – 10.30 Discussion

10.30 – 11.00 Exhibition & Refreshments
Exam Hall

SESSION II: LOCALISED PROSTATE CANCER: WHERE TO FROM HERE?

Co-Chairs: Mr Peter Ryan, ISU President, Consultant Urologist, Bon Secours Hospital, Cork
Mr Jerome Coffey, Director of National Cancer Control Programme

11.00 – 11.30 Current Role of Multiparametric MRI in the diagnosis of Localised Prostate Cancer in Ireland
Mr Arun Thomas, Consultant Urologist, Tallaght Hospital, Dublin

11.30 – 12.00 Prostate Cancer Screening
Mr Frank O’Brien, Consultant Urologist, Cork University Hospital, Cork

12.00 – 12.30 Provision of Robot Assisted Surgery for the future in Ireland
Mr Patrick O’Malley, Consultant Urologist, Galway University Hospital, Galway

12.30 – 12.45 Discussion

12.45 – 13.45 Lunch & Exhibition
Exam Hall
MORNING SESSION

PARALLEL SESSION: VASCULAR SURGERY

IRISH ASSOCIATION OF VASCULAR SURGEONS
SESSION I: DIABETIC FOOT

Co-Chairs: Professor Sean Tierney, Tallaght Hospital, Dublin
Mr Joseph Dowdall, St Vincent's University Hospital, Dublin

09.00 – 09.05 Welcome
Mr Stephen Sheehan President, Irish Association of Vascular Surgeons

09.05 – 09.20 Development of Multidisciplinary Care
Dr Sean Dineen, National Clinical Lead, Diabetes

09.20 – 09.35 Diabetic Foot Pathway, A Hospital Experience
Ms Mary Barry, St Vincent’s University Hospital, Dublin

09.35 – 09.50 Distal Bypass for Diabetes Mellitus
Professor Martin O’Donoghue, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin

09.50 – 10.05 Rehabilitation Following Amputation for Diabetes
Dr Jackie Stowe, National Rehabilitation Hospital

10.05 – 10.30 Discussion

10.30 – 11.00 Refreshments and Exhibition
Exam Hall

SESSION II: TRAINING IN VASCULAR SURGERY

Co-Chairs: Ms Bridget Egan, Council Member, RCSI & Chair, Irish Surgical Postgraduate Training Committee
Mr Stephen Sheehan, Training Programme Director. Vascular Surgery

11.00 – 11.10 Development of a New Speciality, Vascular Surgery
Mr Prakash Madhavan, St James's Hospital, Dublin

11.10 – 11.25 The Vascular Training Programme
Mr Jonathon Boyle, Chair Vascular SAC

11.25 – 11.40 The Vascular Curriculum 2013
Mr Eamon Kavanagh, Deputy Training Director, Vascular Surgery

11.40 – 11.50 Continuing Vascular Training in the General Surgery Programme
Ms Zenia Martin, RCSI Representative, Vascular SAC

11.50 – 12.00 The Vascular Surgery Intercollegiate Examination
Professor Simon Cross, Council Member, RCSI & Vascular Examination Speciality Board

12.00 – 12.30 Discussion

12.30 – 13.45 Lunch & Exhibition
Exam Hall
A new online professionalism course is being launched at the 2017 Charter Day. The course can be completed entirely online and consists of 12 modules relevant to the topic. Examples include communication, relationships with colleagues, patient safety and many more. Each module is comprised of a 5 minute video and additional reading and video material. The course is eligible for CPD points. A selection of modules will be available for viewing during the breaks.

Launch of the RCSI Fellowship & Membership Programme
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13.45 – 14.15 JOHNSON & JOHNSON LECTURE, O’FLANAGAN LT
Prevent, Intercept and Cure: Our Call to Develop Healthcare Solutions for the Modern Age
Dr Aran Maree, Chief Medical Officer, Johnson & Johnson Medical Devices Companies
Introduction & Chair: Mr Kenneth Mealy, Vice-President, RCSI

HOT TOPICS
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Chair: Mr Declan Magee, Council Member, RCSI

14.15 – 14.25 Atypical Mycobacteria
Mr Lars Nölke, Our Lady’s Children’s Hospital Crumlin & Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin

14.25 – 14.35 New Frontiers in Ophthalmology: From Stem Cells to Teleophthalmology
Professor Billy Power, President Irish College of Ophthalmologists

14.35 – 14.45 Nuclear Medicine Applications in Orthopaedics
Dr Eoin Martin, University Hospital Limerick, Limerick

Osteochondral Injury
Dr Philip Hodnett, University Hospital Limerick, Limerick
14.45 – 15.15 Presidential Address
Professor John Hyland, President, RCSI
Introduction & Chair: Mr Kenneth Mealy, Vice-President, RCSI

15.15 – 15.25 Presentations
RCSI Colles Travelling Fellowship in Surgery and RCSI Travel Grant 2017
Recipient: Mr Fardod O’Kelly

Mr Fardod O’Kelly (a trainee in Urology - ST7) for a Clinical Fellowship in Paediatric Urology at the Children’s Hospital of Eastern Ontario, Ottawa, Ontario. 1st July 2017 – 30th June 2018. The amount awarded was €20,000 together with a Colles Medal. Mr O’Kelly was also awarded a surgical travel grant for €10,000. Mr O’Kelly’s objectives for this Fellowship and Travel Grant include learning how to develop a sub-specialised, tertiary referral paediatric urology service based on the models provided in CHEO and Sick Kids; keeping a detailed log of each operation performed, the equipment and perioperative care provided for complex paediatric urological surgery; learning how to establish and develop multidisciplinary team clinics for cross-specialty conditions; performing cost-based analysis on the provision of minimally invasive surgery and learning how to perform laparoscopic techniques such as pyeloplasty (trans / retroperitoneal), (hemi)nephrectomy, and re-implants, with a view to providing this service for the first time in Ireland. This will also act as a platform for the proposed development of robotic paed urology services over the next 5-7 years.

RCSI Surgical Travel Grant 2017
Recipient: Mr Niall Davis

A surgical travel grant in the amount of €20,000 was also awarded to Mr Niall Davis (Urology trainee - ST8) towards the cost of a Clinical fellowship in the Austin Hospital, Melbourne, Australia (07/08/2017 - 07/08/2019).

During this time, Mr Davis aims to
(a) Sub-specialise in the field of endourology and minimally invasive urological procedures
(b) Sub-specialise in the field of reconstructive and female urology.

Sir Walter Mercer Medal 2016
Recipient: Mr Sven O hEireamhoin

The Sir Walter Mercer Medal is awarded each year to the candidate who has obtained the highest marks in the Intercollegiate Specialty Examination in Trauma & Orthopaedic Surgery. (The winner of this prize will be invited to become the British Orthopaedic Association Young Ambassador.) Before the creation of the Intercollegiate Specialty Examination in Trauma & Orthopaedic Surgery in 1990, the Sir Walter Mercer medal was awarded by the Edinburgh College to identify the best candidate in the Specialty Fellowship Examination in Orthopaedic Surgery delivered by that College. Edinburgh College Council agreed in 1990 that the medal should be offered to the Intercollegiate Board to make an award each year. The medal was first awarded as a prize for the Intercollegiate Specialty Examination in 1991.

15.25 – 15.35 Refreshments
PLENARY SESSION: PROFESSIONALISM

Since the publication of our “Guide to Surgical Practice” by RCSI in 2004, the environment in which surgeons (and all doctors) practice has evolved considerably. Following the publication of the “Guide to Professional Conduct and Ethics for Registered Medical Practitioners” by the Medical Council in 2016, RCSI have undertaken to consult with the community of surgeons in Ireland and publish updated guidance on good surgical practice. RCSI intends this document to help guide surgeons in how they should practice to meet the standards of practice that their patients, peers, employers, and the public expect. We also intend to provide guidance as to how to manage conflicts between these standards in the healthcare environment when these arise. This session will hear different perspectives on the issue of professionalism and the session will conclude with a summary of the progress to date on the updated guide to Good Surgical Practice.

Co-Chairs: Ms Camila Carroll, RCSI Member of Council, Consultant Otolaryngologist Head and Neck Surgeon, Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital, Dublin
Mr Joe O’Beirne, Council Member, RCSI & University Hospital Waterford

15.35 – 15.50 Probitry, Professionalism and the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland
Professor Freddie Wood, Irish Medical Council President

15.50 – 16.05 Burnout: an Issue for Surgeons in Ireland?
Dr Blánaid Hayes, Consultant Occupational Physician & Dean of Faculty of Occupational Medicine, RCPI

16.05 – 16.35 Professionalism - Present and Future
Dr Dubhfeasa Slattery, Head of Clinical Risk at the State Claims Agency & Consultant General and Respiratory Paediatrician

16.35 – 16.45 Examining Good Surgical Practice
Professor Sean Tierney, Dean of Professional Development & Practice, RCSI & Tallaght Hospital, Dublin

16.45 – 17.10 Discussion

17.10 – 17.30 Refreshments
College Hall

17.30 – 18.15 93rd ABRAHAM COLLES LECTURE College Hall
The Great War and the Evolution of Reconstructive Surgery
Raymond F. Morgan, MD, DMD, FACS
Milton T. Edgerton Professor and Chair, Department of Plastic Surgery, University of Virginia

Introduction & Chair: Professor John Hyland, President RCSI

18.15 – 19.00 Reception
ABRAHAM COLLES
(1773-1843)

Abraham Colles was born in Co. Kilkenny in 1773 and over the next 70 years, he would come to dominate the world of surgery both in Ireland and around the world. After completing a BA in TCD, his ‘letters testimonial’ from RCSI and Doctor of Medicine in Edinburgh, he returned to Dublin to work at the Dispensary for the Sick Poor in Meath Street, an unusual move at that time for a young man who belonged to the middle and upper classes. His actions caught the attention of Surgeon-General Stewart, who seeing the potential in Colles persuaded him to leave the world of the physician behind and enter that of the surgeon. Colles held numerous consulting surgeon and academic positions, including Professor of Anatomy, Physiology and Surgery in RCSI, and in 1802 Colles was elected President of RCSI at the age of 29.

Colles could skilfully draw graphic images of diseases and Colles’ publication Treatise on surgical Anatomy (1811) was the first anatomical work designed on topographical lines. This earned Colles several eponyms for his anatomical discoveries, examples being the Colles’ fascia and Colles’ ligament. The most widely known of these eponyms is the Colles’ fracture which was named after he published the paper on the fracture of the carpel extremity of the radius (1814). During his lifetime Colles was visited by doctors from all over the world. He is considered one of Ireland’s great nineteenth century surgeons and one that made the surgical profession respectable in Ireland. When Colles died in 1843, medical schools suspended their classes and he was given a public funeral.

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JOHNSON & JOHNSON LECTURER

Dr Aran Maree,
Chief Medical Officer, Johnson & Johnson Medical Devices Companies

Dr. Aran Maree is Chief Medical Officer of the Medical Devices (MD) family of companies at Johnson & Johnson (J&J), based in New Jersey, USA. In his capacity as Chief Medical Officer, he is a member of the global Medical Device Group Operating Committee and leads the MD Medical Safety organization. He is chair of the MD Medical Safety Council and the MD pipeline Development Committee. He also has responsibility for the cross-sector Johnson & Johnson pediatric development strategy (CHILD) team.

Aran has more than 20 years' experience in the world of healthcare strategy, pharmaceuticals and medical devices in Europe, the Middle East, Asia Pacific and the USA, including working at The Boston Consulting Group, Merck & Co., and Johnson & Johnson. Aran graduated with Honors from the Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland and became a Member of the Royal College of Physicians in Ireland, with subsequent training in internal medicine and interventional cardiology in Dublin, Ireland and Sydney, Australia.

PLENARY SESSION GUEST SPEAKERS

Professor Freddie Wood,
Professor Freddie Wood, Irish Medical Council President

Professor A.E. (Freddie) Wood graduated from UCD in 1971 and obtained F.R.C.S.I. in 1975. He undertook specialty training in Cardithoracic Surgery in the Royal Victoria Hospital Belfast in the late 70’s before completing his training in the Hospital for Sick Children Toronto. He pioneered heart transplantation with the late Maurice Neligan in addition to complex congenital heart surgery and reparative valve surgery. In 1992 he set up the National Homograft Valve Bank. From 1999 to 2010 he served as Director of Heart & Lung Transplantation at the Mater Hospital and led the development of the Lung Transplantation Programme in 2001 culminating in successful lung transplantation in 2005. He began the Artificial Heart Programme in 2005 and laid the foundation for the successful introduction of ECLS (extracorporeal life support) / ECMO (extracorporeal membrane oxygenation) in Our Lady’s Children’s Hospital and the Mater Hospital.

Prof Wood has a long standing interest in postgraduate training and is a past member of the Intercollegiate Board in Cardiothoracic Surgery. He was a member of the Executive of the Society of Cardiothoracic Surgeons of Great Britain & Ireland for a decade during the Bristol Royal Infirmary Congenital Heart Surgery Debacle. He was a member of Council of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland from 2000 to 2014 and was the first Chairman of Governance in 2008, as well as the Chair of the Finance Committee.

He retired from the Mater and Our Lady’s Children’s Hospitals in autumn 2010. Between 2011 and 2013, he was Consultant Cardio-Thoracic Surgeon in Congenital Heart Disease to the Royal Victoria Hospital Belfast to direct, manage, mentor and provide surgery whilst solution for its all island provision was finalized. He is currently a Surgical Prosecutor (Anatomy) in the RCSI and President of the Medical Council for its term from June 2013-2018.

Dr Blánaid Hayes,
Consultant Occupational Physician & Dean of Faculty of Occupational Medicine, RCPI

Blánaid is a graduate of University College Dublin and has worked as a consultant occupational physician at Beaumont Hospital for 20 years. She also has experience in providing occupational health advice to the industrial sector, having worked with IBM Ireland over a ten year period.

She is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland (FRCP) and a Fellow of the Faculty of Occupational Medicine (FFOM). She is currently the Dean of the Faculty of Occupational Medicine (RCPI) and is a former President of the Irish Society of Occupational Medicine (ISOM). Blánaid has participated in the development of various national guidelines including those on MRSA (2013), Hand Hygiene (2005) and Prevention of Transmission of
Blood Borne Diseases (2005). Her research interests include doctors’ wellbeing, needlestick injury and influenza immunisation in healthcare workers. She is currently lead investigator in a national study on wellbeing in hospital doctors in Ireland.

Dr Dubhfeasa Slattery, (MB BCh, MRCPI (Paeds), FRCPI, M Med Sci, PhD)
Head of Clinical Risk at the State Claims Agency, Consultant General and Respiratory Paediatrician

Dubhfeasa is head of Clinical Risk at the State Claims Agency, Dublin. She is a Consultant Respiratory and General Paediatrician of 15 years and graduated from University of Dublin, Trinity. She completed a 3 year fellowship at the Children’s Hospital Boston and Harvard Medical School before working there as a Consultant Respiratory Paediatrician. Dubhfeasa has a PhD in Molecular Medicine and has published papers on basic science, translational, clinical and educational research. She has received independent research grant funding, multiple national and international research awards and was one of 3 international recipients of an American Ireland Fund Award (2009) for her contribution to Paediatrics, research and fundraising. Dubhfeasa consolidated her interest in quality improvement in healthcare by completing a Diploma in Leadership and Quality in Healthcare (RCPI) in 2014, the Safety, Quality, Informatics and Leadership programme (2015-16) through Harvard Medical School and the Harvard Quality and Leadership programme for international healthcare executives (2016). Dubhfeasa has a Master’s in Education for Healthcare Professionals (Queen’s University 2011) and has authored and delivered national courses. Dubhfeasa held the national role of Associate Dean of Hospital Inspections at the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland (2010-2014), is a senior clinical lecturer at University of Dublin, Trinity and University College Dublin and a fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland.

Professor Sean Tierney,
Professor Sean Tierney, Dean of Professional Development & Practice, RCSI

Professor Sean Tierney is a graduate of UCD and trained in surgery in Ireland, the UK and the USA. He became a Consultant Vascular Surgeon in Tallaght Hospital in 2000 and Dean of Professional Development & Practice in RCSI in 2009.

93rd ABRAHAM COLLES LECTURER

Raymond F. Morgan, MD, DMD, FACS
Milton T. Edgerton Professor and Chair, Department of Plastic Surgery, University of Virginia

Dr Raymond F. Morgan has served as the Milton T. Edgerton Professor and Chair of the Department of Plastic Surgery at the University of Virginia since 1988. He is also a clinical professor of Orthopedic Surgery.

He has served on the University Faculty Senate. He has also served as a Trustee and on the Executive Board of the Piedmont Liability Trust since its founding in 1989. He has served as the President of the UVA University Physicians Group. He serves as the Co-Director of the University Hand Center.

The author or co-author of more than 260 scientific publications, Dr. Morgan has chaired the Plastic Surgery Research Council. He has served as a Director on the American Board of Plastic Surgery. He has served as the President of the American Association of Plastic Surgeons. He recently served a nine-year term as a Regent of the American College of Surgeons.

In addition to his Medical Degree, Dr. Morgan holds a Masters in Higher Education and a Doctoral in Dental Medicine. He has been elected to membership in Alpha Omega Alpha. He performed his internship and residencies in General and Plastic Surgery at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. His Fellowship in Surgery of the Hand was at the Raymond M. Curtis National Hand Center in Baltimore. In November 1995, the University Board of Visitors established the Raymond F. Morgan Professorship in Plastic Surgery at the University of Virginia.

In 2016, the American Council of Academic Plastic Surgeons named Dr Morgan the Robert M. Goldwyn Academic Mentor of the Year.
SESSION I:
GLOBAL SURGERY: IS THERE A ROLE WITHIN CURRENT SURGICAL TRAINING?

Co-Chairs: Ms Mary Nugent (Orthopaedic Surgery), Chair ISTG
Mr Eamon Francis (Plastic Surgery), Vice Chair ISTG

09.00 – 09.05 Welcome
Ms Mary Nugent, Chair ISTG

09.05 – 09.20 RCSI Travelling Fellowship Awardee Report
Ms Deirdre Nally, Tallaght Hospital, Dublin

09.20 – 09.35 Colles Travelling Fellowship Awardee Report
Mr John Burke, Consultant Surgeon, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin

09.35 – 09.50 Colles Travelling Fellowship Awardee Report
Ms Zahraa Al-Hilli, Consultant Surgeon, Cleveland Clinic, USA

09.50 – 10.10 The Irish MSF Overseas
Ms Niamh Blake, Recruitment & HR Co-ordinator
Ms Eve Bruce, Plastic Surgeon, Medicins San Frontieres Ireland

IRISH SURGEONS IN GLOBAL SURGERY INITIATIVES

10.10 – 10.30 Developing a sustainable paediatric cardiothoracic surgery programme in Vietnam
Professor Mark Redmond, Consultant Cardiothoracic Surgeon, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital and Our Lady's Children's Hospital Crumlin, Dublin

10.30 – 10.50 The Haiti Experience – Lessons Learned
Mr Keith Synnott, Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin

10.50 – 11.10 Is there a role for surgical training in global surgery?
Mr Michael Kelly, Dept. of Colorectal Surgery, St. Vincent's Hospital, Dublin

11.10 – 11.30 Advancing plastic surgery in the developing world
Mr Odhran Shelley, Director, National Burns Unit, St. James’s Hospital, Dublin

11.30 – 12.00 Refreshments
SESSION II:

Co-Chairs: Mr Brendan O’Connor (Paediatric Surgery)
Ms Ailin Rogers (General Surgery)

JOHN BOSCO O’MAHONY (1948 – 2008)

Mr. John Bosco O’Mahony FRCSI MRCP (UK) was one of the longest serving members of the Council of RCSI, being elected by his peers for almost twenty years consecutively. His untimely death on the 29th July 2008 left a void for the College, where he served on Council since 1989, and for the people of Wexford, where he was Consultant Surgeon since July 1984 in Wexford General Hospital. Bosco was a man of exceptionally high intelligence as proved by his many personal and academic achievements. He was Head-boy and Gold medalist at Rockwell College and won a scholarship to study medicine in University College Dublin, graduating in 1972. He completed his internship at St Vincent’s University Hospital and was awarded his MRCP (UK) before concentrating on his career in surgery. His post graduate training took him to St Thomas’s Hospital in London and subsequently to Brigham and Women’s Hospital and Harvard University in Boston USA, where he completed his research training. His greatest legacy will be his human touch. He understood people and their needs and worked extremely hard over the years in his profession. He was a great teacher and mentor of his junior colleagues and developed many long standing relationships with his trainees. He was awarded the Silver Scalpel in 2007 by the Higher Surgical Trainees in recognition of his talents.

13.45 – 14.15 THE BOSCO O’MAHONY LECTURE

Global Initiatives in Paediatric Surgery:
The relevance of global surgery in surgical training
Ms Kokila Lakhoo,
Consultant Paediatric Surgeon, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust

12.55 – 13.00 Closing Remarks
Ms Mary Nugent, Chair ISTG

BOSCO O’MAHONY LECTURER

Ms Kokila Lakhoo, Consultant Paediatric Surgeon, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust

Ms Lakhoo is a consultant paediatric surgeon at the Children’s Hospital in Oxford, and an honorary senior lecturer in paediatric surgery at the University of Oxford. She is also the clinical lead for paediatric surgery in Oxford. Ms Lakhoo graduated from university in South Africa and completed a PhD in gastrointestinal diseases at the University of Witwatersrand. Following training in adult general surgery and paediatrics, she completed further training in paediatric surgery at Baragwanath Hospital in Johannesburg, Red Cross Children’s Hospital in Cape Town and Great Ormond Street Children’s Hospital in London. Ms Lakhoo now specialises in newborn and children’s surgery. Other special interests include fetal counselling, neonatal surgery, paediatric tumour surgery, paediatric thoracic surgery and specialist gastrointestinal surgery. Ms Lakhoo is the Chair of the International Forum for the British Association of Paediatric Surgeons and is also personally developing a paediatric surgery programme in Tanzania.

18.45 Honorary Fellowship Conferring
Mr Brendan J. Moran, M.Ch., FRCSI, FRCSI (Gen), FRCS

Charter Day Dinner
Dress Code: Black Tie, Orders & Decorations
To acknowledge the essential contribution made by our examiners to the achievement of the College's mission: “to educate, nurture and discover for the benefit of human health” RCSI has established a **Court of Examiners**.

The College invites applications from our Fellows to become **Court Members** and assist in the delivery of postgraduate surgical examinations.

**There are many reasons to become involved in the work of RCSI's Court of Examiners:**

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› Obtain PCS Credits  
› Participate in Annual Meeting/Postgraduate Conferring  
› Network with colleagues  
› Examine in Overseas Centres

To find out more about becoming a Court Member, please visit the RCSI Court of Examiners Information Stand at the Charter Day Meeting or contact us by email at examiners@rcsi.ie

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