



Centenary of Midwives (Ireland) Act 1918 Conference

Historical and Contemporary Perspectives

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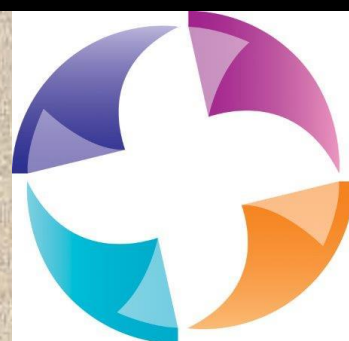
Pillar Room, Rotunda Hospital, Parnell Square, Dublin 1

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Conference Programme



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8.30	Registration	
9.00	Welcome: Professor Fergal Malone, Master of the Rotunda Hospital Opening address: Fiona Hanrahan, Director of Midwifery and Nursing, Rotunda Hospital The conference will be opened by Simon Harris, T.D., Minister for Health	
9.45	Pre twentieth century maternity. Chair: Catherine Cox, Director, Centre for the History of Medicine in Ireland, University College Dublin	
	Changing childbirth in eighteenth century Ireland.	Mike Geary, Rotunda Hospital
	“A fat pompous old woman, ignorant, and illiterate”: popular midwifery in nineteenth century Ireland.	Laurence Geary, University College Cork
	Breastfeeding in nineteenth-century Irish workhouses.	Judy Bolger, Trinity College Dublin
11.05	Tea & Coffee	
11.20	Motherhood supported. Chair: Anne O’ Byrne, Head Librarian, Rotunda Hospital.	
	Women’s views and experiences of having their mental health needs considered in the perinatal period.	Ursula Nagle, Rotunda Hospital
	The prevalence of anxiety in pregnancy and at three months postpartum, as reported by nulliparous women in Ireland.	Louise Rafferty, Rotunda Foundation
	“Treasure Hunting” – establishing a midwife-led foetal growth assessment clinic to identify the high-risk foetus in the low-risk pregnancy.	Heather Watson, Belfast HSC Trust
	Getting ready for baby - group-based antenatal care and education.	Denise Boulter, Public Health Agency, Belfast
12.55	Lunch	
13.40	The newly registered midwife and maternal care. Chair: Harriet Wheelock, Keeper of Collections, Heritage Centre, Royal College of Physicians of Ireland	
	Municipal gospel or necessity? Belfast Corporation and the regulation of midwives, 1911-1918.	Philomena Gorey, University College Dublin
	The first Central Midwives Board of Ireland (1918-1923): impact and change.	Ann Louise Mulhall, Coombe Women and Infants University Hospital
	Delivering the district. Nurse Anne Lynch, Midwife to Oldcastle, Co. Meath, in the first decades of the new Irish State.	Anne MacLellan, James Connolly Memorial Hospital, Anne Marie Meenan, Coombe Women and Infants University Hospital
	Midwives and antenatal care: the boundaries of responsibility.	Janet Greenlees, Glasgow Caledonian University
15.15	Tea and Coffee	
15.30	Maternal health, social policy and birth control. Chair: Dawn Johnston, Director of Midwifery, Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland	
	Midwives voices in Irish maternity care policy documents: the Mother and Infant Scheme.	Margaret Dunlea, Trinity College, Dublin
	Family planning in the Rotunda Hospital, c.1961-1972.	Deirdre Foley, Dublin City University
	Recruiting, training and supervising Maternity Peer Supporters to enhance perinatal care of migrant women within a multisite feasibility study.	Catherine Burke, The ORAMMA project, Sheffield Hallam University
	Midwives voices in Irish maternity care: contemporary developments.	Malgorzata Stach, Trinity College, Dublin
17.00	Conference closing.	