

# The Advancing Healthcare Awards Northern Ireland 2024

## The shortlist

### AWARD FOR CREATIVE AND INNOVATIVE PRACTICE

#### **Dysphagia training, leading the way across the UK**

*Alison Ferris, AHP Consultant, Public Health Agency, and  
Fiona McCallion, Assistant Head, HSC Clinical Education Centre*

#### **Northern Ireland Ambulance Service cardiac arrest masterclass project**

*Clinical Education Team, Northern Ireland Ambulance Service*

#### **Sensory Motor Circuits in Primary Schools**

*Children Core Occupational Therapy team and RISE NI Occupational Therapy team,  
Southern Health and Social Care Trust*

### AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN CANCER CARE

Sponsored by Macmillan Cancer Support

#### **Cancer prehabilitation project**

*The Prehabilitation team, Northern Health and Social Care Trust*

#### **Macmillan Advanced Practitioner Oncology Dietitians - impact of early intervention & enhanced recovery**

*Michelle Ruddy and Aine O'Neill, Macmillan Advanced Practitioner Oncology Dietitians,  
Ciara McSherry, Macmillan Clinical Lead Oncology Dietitian, Western Health and Social Care Trust*

#### **Advanced cancer toolkit**

*The Cancer Services team, Northern Health and Social Care Trust*

### AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN A SUPPORT ROLE

#### **Personalised memory aids**

*Julie McCullough, Rehabilitation Coach, South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust*

#### **Swallow Aware Campaign**

*Alison McCusker, Project Manager for Dysphagia NI, Public Health Agency*

#### **Podiatry Assistant Practitioner (PAPs), providing support, advice and foot health education for patient living with diabetes (PLWD)**

*Northern Ireland Regional Podiatry Assistant Practitioners teams*

### AWARD FOR MASTERS CLINICAL RESEARCH

Sponsored by the School of Health Sciences, Ulster University

#### **An Evaluation of a Speech and Language Therapy Swallow Service for Adults with Intellectual Disability**

*Angela Crocker, Lead Clinical Speech and Language Therapist, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust*

#### **Exploring access to community neurorehabilitation for people with progressive neurological conditions**

*Shona Pryde, Advanced Practitioner Physiotherapist, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust and  
co-authors Owen Williams, Margaret O'Hare, Carolyn Murdock and Dr Katy Pedlow*

#### **An Evaluation of the Demographics, Characteristics and Healthcare Utilisation of People with Asthma Referred to an Ambulatory Respiratory Hub**

*Wesley Henry, Advanced Practitioner Physiotherapist, South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust*



## AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP

Sponsored by the Institute of Biomedical Science



### **Milkshakes Matter: a collaborative approach to enhancing the nutritional and dysphagia care of frail nursing home residents**

*Heather Stevenson, Speech and Language Therapist, and Katherine Hudson, Dietitian, Northern Health and Social Care Trust*

### **Northern Ireland quality standard for imaging team**

*Richard Gould, Senior Project Manager, Regional Medical Imaging Board, Strategic Planning and Performance Group, Department of Health,*

*Mark Cadden, Quality Standard for Imaging Lead, South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust and the team across Southern, Western, Northern, and Belfast Health and Social Care Trusts*

### **Respiratory Investigation and Sleep Diagnostic Service**

*Lisa McManus, Chief Respiratory Physiologist, Western Health and Social Care Trust*

### **Northern Ireland Healthcare Science steering group**

*Sinead Fitzpatrick, Senior Cardiac Physiologist, Letterkenny University Hospital and Western Health and Social Care Trust*

## AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE DELIVERY BY AN AHP OR HEALTHCARE SCIENTIST WORKING OUTSIDE THE NHS

### **Replicating the primary care role**

*Jamie Scott, Primary Care Paramedic, GP Federation of NI and Lecturer of Paramedic Science, Ulster University*

### **Addressing a critical gap in mental health support for children**

*Louise Kelly and Karen Diamond, Music Therapists, Resilient Rhythms*

## AWARD FOR PARTNERSHIP WORKING IN PUBLIC HEALTH

Sponsored by Public Health Agency



### **INTERACT project**

*Claire Hallowell, Complex Case Team Manager, and Aidan McDonnell, Complex Case Team Paramedic, Northern Ireland Ambulance Service, with the collaborative team at the British Red Cross*

### **Options, advice, knowledge osteoarthritis knee: The OAK programme West Belfast**

*Arlene Blair, First Contact Physiotherapy Practitioner West Belfast Federation, and Trudy Matchett, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust*

### **Live well for a longer healthy life**

*Suzanne Kennedy, Consultant Physiotherapist, Northern Health and Social Care Trust and Nuala Lamont, Senior Practice Manager, Causeway GP Federation*

## AWARD FOR SERVICE IMPROVEMENT

Sponsored by the Clinical Education Centre, part of the Business Services Organisation



### **The Speech and Language Therapy led ENT Parallel clinic service – a transformational pathway**

*Carolyn Greer and Laura Connolly, Specialist Advanced Practitioner Speech and Language Therapists, South Eastern Health and Social care Trust*

### **Northern Ireland Ambulance Service Integrated Clinical Hub**

*Karl Bloomer, Consultant Paramedic (Urgent Care), Northern Ireland Ambulance Service*

### **Expansion of Southern Trust Acute Care at Home Team**

*Niamh Canavan, Physiotherapist, Catherine Murchan, Occupational Therapist, and Yvonne Hanna, Team Manager, Acute Care at Home Team, Southern Health and Social Care Trust*

### **Occupational Therapy – advanced practice microneedling service in the Royal Victoria Hospital, Regional Burns Unit**

*Ursula Kelly, Occupational Therapy Assistant Service Manager, and Jude Gordon, Clinical Lead Occupational Therapist, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust*

## AWARD FOR THE BEST COLLABORATION ACROSS CLINICAL, ACADEMIA AND INDUSTRY

Sponsored by the Institute of Physics and Engineering in Medicine



### **Development of bespoke virtual therapy- modernising treatment delivery, utilising current resources efficiently and meeting NICE guidelines**

*Emma Dunn, Occupational Therapist Advanced Practitioner Level 2, and Dermot Quinn, Occupational Therapist, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust, in collaboration with eXRt Intelligent Healthcare*

### **Out of hospital cardiac arrest 5-year review research study**

*Julia Wolfe, Research and Development Manager, and Emma McCorkell, Research Paramedic, Northern Ireland Ambulance Service, in collaboration with Professor Adele Marshall and Dr Aleks Novakovic from Queen's University Belfast, funded by Northern Ireland Chest Heart and Stroke*

### **ADVOCATE - advancing radiotherapy techniques as a team**

*The FAST clinic team, Northern Ireland Cancer Care Centre – Stacey Conway (Northern Ireland Cancer Trials Network – Lead Clinical Research Radiographer), Joanne McCarthy (Radiotherapy Service Manager) in collaboration with Professor Suneil Jain (BHSCT/ Queens University Belfast)*

## ULSTER UNIVERSITY STUDENT PARAMEDIC OF THE YEAR

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*Jack O'Hare, BSc Hons Paramedic Science student, Ulster University*

*Courtney McCaughley, BSc Hons Paramedic Science student, Ulster University*

*Adam Cooper, BSc Hons Paramedic Science student, Ulster University*

## RISING STARS

*Rebecca Johnston, Occupational Therapist, South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust*

*Alix Robinson, Occupational Therapist, South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust*

*Jenny McAlister, Orthoptist, Northern Health and Social Care Trust*

*Caitriona Breen, Dietitian, Western Health and Social Care Trust*

*Aoife Cassidy, Occupational Therapist, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust*

*Emma McCorkell, Research Paramedic, Northern Ireland Ambulance Service*

*Naomi Hoffart, Occupational Therapist, Shannon Clinic, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust*

*Meabh Morris, Rotational Band 5 Physiotherapist, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust*

*Daniel Deehan, Occupational Therapist, Southern Health and Social Care Trust*

*Lauren McCartan, Occupational Therapist, Reablement team, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust*

*Ashleigh McKee, Specialist Community Dietitian, South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust*

*Jake Deeney, Band 5 Physiotherapist, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust*

*Rebecca Hughes, Specialist Occupational Therapist, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust*

## THE PATRICIA BLACKBURN AWARD FOR SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION AND ACHIEVEMENT

Sponsored by HSC Leadership Centre

*The winner will be announced on the night.*



## AWARD FOR SPECIAL RECOGNITION

*The winner will be announced on the night.*

## OVERALL WINNER

*Selected from the category winners*