AGENDA

Morning Plenary Session

09:30 Registration
10:00 Welcome by Chairman
10:05 Opening remarks by Minister for Health and Social Service and Public Safety Mr Edwin Poots MLA

The impact of pain on individuals and society

10:10 Naomi O’Loughlin, Impact of pain on life and work
10:15 Caitriona Roberts, Impact of pain on life and schooling
10:20 Ms Kate Fleck, Arthritis Care, Impact of pain on individuals, families and carers
10:25 Ms Tanya Kennedy, Workplace Director, Business in the Community, Impact of Pain in the Workplace

Panel discussion

10:35 Naomi O’Loughlin, Caitriona Roberts, Carer, Kate Fleck, Dr Ian Gillespie, Consultant in Pain Medicine, Tanya Kennedy

Scoping the problem

10:50 Mr Steve Barron, All Ireland Institute for Public Health, The population prevalence of musculoskeletal pain in Ireland
11:05 Audit of Pain Services in NI (TBC)
11:15 Coffee

Delivering services for people living with chronic pain

11:30 Dr Jim McMullan, Delivering pain management services closer to home
11:35 Dr Paul McConaghy, Delivering pain management at a specialist pain clinic
11:40 Mrs Maeve Hully, CE, Patient and Client Council, Launch of the Patient Experience Survey

Panel discussion

11:45 Mrs Hully, Dr McMullan, Dr McConaghy, Representative of community group, Representative of voluntary sector organisation, LCG commissioner

Planning for the future

12:00 Prof Richard Langford, President of the British Pain Society, Mapping pathways for patients with pain
12:10 Dr Martin Johnson, Clinical Champion for Pain, RCGP, What can be achieved?
12:20 Dr Steve Gilbert, Lead Clinician, Scotland, Lessons from Scotland
12:30 Working Together to Meet Need (TBC)
12:40 Dr Steve Gilbert, Lead Clinician, Scotland, Lessons from Scotland

Lunch

13:00 Lunch

Afternoon Workshops

14:00 Workshop 1 Education - How can we address pain through education?
14:00 Workshop 2 Public Health - How can Public Health address pain related issues?
14:00 Workshop 3 Quality Commissioning of Pain services - How should pain services be commissioned?
15:00 Feedback from workshops
15:30 Dr Pamela Bell, Chair Pain Alliance of Northern Ireland Next Steps
15:45 Dr Michael McBride, Chief Medical Officer, Closing remarks
16:00 Close of meeting

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