

Dublin City University

2nd Health4Life Conference

Thinking, Feeling, Being: Critical Perspectives and Creative
Engagement in Psychosocial Health

*Ag Smaoineamh, ag Mothú, a Bheith Ann: Peirspictíochtaí Criticiúla
agus Rannpháirtíocht Chruthaíoch i Sláinte Síceasóisialta*

10th – 12th September 2007



Conference Aims and Objectives

The title of the conference; "Thinking, Feeling, Being" reflects the idea that the experience of health and illness is bound up with our reasoning, emotional and social selves and that similarly; effective healthcare practice involves critical thinking, emotional engagement and awareness of peoples' individual social and cultural contexts. To help us to fully explore these dimensions, the conference will incorporate a mixture of academic and arts based presentations. The official language of the conference is English. The conference provides an opportunity for psychosocial health practitioners, service users, carers, artists, academics and researchers to present innovative practice, research and/or lived experience relative to psychosocial well-being.

Themes

Key note speakers come from a range of positions and perspectives and will encourage dialogue and debate with the audience on conference themes.

The themes of this conference include:

- Recovery and rehabilitation
- Community and communities that care
- Risk and power
- Advances in psychiatric care and treatment
- "Therapy"
- Bodies and embodiment
- Cultures, understandings and meanings
- Working with/Facilitating expressions of the Self

Keynote Speakers and Special Guests Include

- Professor Thomas Szasz
- Professor Arthur Frank
- Assoc. Professor Priscilla Ridgway
- Professor Dawn Freshwater
- Professor Paul Verhaeghe
- Professor Phil Barker



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Call for Abstracts

Abstracts should reflect the conference themes and submissions are welcome in various media, for example:

- Academic/discussion papers and poster presentations focusing on research and practice
- Personal narratives, poetry, short stories, drama
- Artwork, photography, multi-media, music, dance
- Complimentary/alternative approaches to healthcare

We particularly welcome submissions that demonstrate significant service user and/or carer involvement.

Deadline of abstract submissions - **1st June 2007**

The author/s are asked to indicate which of the conference themes is appropriate for their presentation.

- **Presentation of papers and other performances**
Maximum 30 minutes in length (20 minutes presentation/performance 10 minutes discussion)

- **Posters, visual displays and multi-media**

Clearly presented (in case of posters font should be no smaller than 14 point, anywhere on the poster)

Stimulating and engaging

Presenter's name, organisation (if applicable) and contact details included on the poster/display. We expect at least one person involved in the design of the poster to be available during the period of exhibition

Audio visual displays to last no longer than 15 minutes

- **Workshops**

Maximum 1 hour in length

Designed using clear rationale, aims and outcomes that are consistent with the theme(s) of the conference

Ensure physical and psychological safety of participants and facilitators

Please bear in mind that the conference organisers cannot be responsible for the security of art pieces and equipment

We may not be able to accommodate pieces that are very large or exhibits/performance/workshops requiring extensive space or resources

We do not accept exhibits/displays that are used for marketing purposes.

Please note that we are anticipating a high response and may not be able to accommodate all submissions. You will be notified by the end of June 2007 as to the outcome of your abstract application.

Please submit your abstract online at: http://www.dcu.ie/health4life/conferences/2007/call_for_abstracts.shtml or send title, abstract, plus a brief biography of main author and full contact details to:

**School of Nursing,
Dublin City University,
Dublin 9.**



Submission Guidelines

If you would like to submit a piece of work for possible inclusion in the conference please read the following guidelines:

Provide a short abstract summary of 250 words (maximum) explaining the background and significance of the work you would like to present. The author's name should not appear anywhere within this area on the abstract form (as they will be blind reviewed).



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Registration Form

You are strongly encouraged to register for this conference on-line at: <http://www.dcu.ie/health4life/conferences/2007>

Please complete this form using 'block' letters or complete the on-line registration form. One copy of this Registration form should be completed for each participant. A copy of this registration form will be accepted.

Title: Prof. Dr. Mr. Mrs. Ms.

Family Name: _____

First Name: _____

Postal Address: _____

City/Country: _____

Postcode: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Affiliation: _____

Panel/delegates dialogue/discussion topics

On 11th September there will be three facilitated dialogue/discussions with panel and participants that relate to the conference themes. As a precursor to the actual dialogue please offer your idea for discussion topic, in no more than ten words below.

Conference Fees

The conference fee includes a conference proceeding, a participants' list, the whole scientific programme of 10th -12th September 2007, refreshments and tea breaks. Lunches are included. Participants will need to register and pay separately for the conference dinner.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellation of registration must be received in writing to the conference administrator before 1st September 2007 to get a 50% refund of the paid fees. No refund will be made thereafter.

Payment

Note: Payment must be made in euro.

I wish to register for (please tick the appropriate boxes)

Early Bird (Payment Received before 30th June 2007).

Full Registration

	Waged	Unwaged
Early Bird	<input type="checkbox"/> €300	<input type="checkbox"/> €122
Late	<input type="checkbox"/> €350	<input type="checkbox"/> €150

Day Registration

Early Bird / day	<input type="checkbox"/> €110	<input type="checkbox"/> €45
Late Bird / day	<input type="checkbox"/> €130	<input type="checkbox"/> €55

For day registration please indicate the days you are attending

Day One Day Two Day Three

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Registration Form (continued)

Conference Dinner

(11th September) €55 pp

Number attending:

Please debit my credit card: € _____

Please indicate if you have any special dietary needs that need to be taken into consideration.

Credit Card

Type of card: Visa Mastercard

Card Number:

Expiry date:
(m/m) (y/y)

Card holder's name: _____
(as appears on card)

Signature: _____ Date: _____
(as on credit card)

Name: _____
(please print)

*(By signing this form, I accept the release and waiver of liability policies,
as well as the policies with regards to cancellations and refunds for registration)*

Bank cheque/draft (payable to 'Dublin City University')

I enclose a bank cheque/draft of € _____

Cheque no. _____

Please send your registration form together with a cheque or bank draft to:
Conference Administrator, School of Nursing, Dublin City University, Dublin 9, Ireland

For further information regarding payment/registration
email: eimear.stewart@dcu.ie