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Election of Members to the Physiotherapist Registration Board at CORU

Candidate: Corinne Evans

Registration No: PT033706

County of Practice: Kerry

Nominated in Category: Category 1: Registrants engaged in the practice of the profession

Personal Statement/ Biography:

Corinne graduated from Kings College London, in 1995 with an Honours degree in physiotherapy and throughout her 25 years in practice has sustained a passion for her profession evidenced by her commitment to continuing professional development.

She has attained Graduate Diplomas in Musculoskeletal Medicine (University of Middlesex), Orthopaedic and Rheumatological Medicine and Clinical Education (NUIG) and a Certificate in Healthcare Management.

She is a professional member of numerous organisations, including Faculty of Pre- Hospital Care, Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh, Society of Musculoskeletal Medicine and the Irish Society of Chartered Physiotherapists, of which she has been a board member since 2017 and Vice President since 2018.

Her dynamic and proactive approach is evidenced by her ability to couple many her many roles-as a clinician she is committed to providing patient centred care through evidence based practice and commitment to excellence. Along with her clinical role, she has worked as Regional Placement Facilitator with University of Limerick, lectured in the Kerry College and continues to lecture part-time in the Institute of Technology, Tralee- soon to be Munster Technological University and on the South/Southwest GP Training Scheme.



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Candidate: John Stacey

Registration No: PT036320

County of Practice: Limerick

Nominated in Category: Category 1: Registrants engaged in the practice of the profession

Personal Statement/ Biography:

John Stacey has been working in the field of physical therapy for over 15 years. He graduated from the Institute of Physical Therapy and Applied Sciences (IPTAS) and thereafter opened his private practice in University Court Medical Centre, Castletroy, Limerick. In this multi-disciplinary medical practice, he provides musculoskeletal assessment and treatment to athletes and clients of all ages.

John holds a Bachelor of Sports Science degree from the University of Limerick (UL), and a Master's degree in Strength & Conditioning from Limerick Institute of Technology/Setanta College. This educational background, coupled with his longstanding experience gained through coaching elite athletes, has provided him with a strong exercise rehabilitation emphasis in his practice.

John continues to participate in academia through the design and delivery of musculoskeletal related courses focusing on current best practices. He has been Sports Therapy Module Leader with Portobello Institute degree programme and Module Leader for the Applied Health Science strand with IPTAS degree programme. He currently works with the Irish College of General Practitioners (ICGP) designing and delivering the rehabilitation content for their Diploma in Practical Musculoskeletal Injury Management as well as with the Mid West GP Training Scheme.

He has been a member of the Irish Association of Physical Therapists (IAPT) since 2004 and is currently a member of the Physiotherapists Registration Board.



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Candidate: Dale Whelehan

Registration No: PT036320

County of Practice:

Nominated in Category: Category 1: Registrants engaged in the practice of the profession

Personal Statement/ Biography:

Dale Whelehan is a staff physiotherapist in Tallaght University Hospital and PhD candidate in Trinity College Dublin. Having completed his undergraduate physiotherapy degree in 2018, Dale pursued research in behaviour sciences with a focus on behaviour change approaches to preventive medicine. His interests are in optimising sleep which he provides continuous professional development for on the educational platform Physiopedia

He has been an external expert for twelve quality assurance reviews of bachelor, master and PhD programmes in Ireland, European Union, and Middle Eastern countries through his appointment by the European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA). Having an interest in education, he has been project lead for Trainees in the Association for the Study of Medical Education (ASME) and strategy associate for the National Forum for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning in Higher Education

His physiotherapy interests are in education, regulatory and legal affairs to assure patient safety. He has extensive experience in these fields having served on the board, as well as the Education and Professional Development Committee of the Irish Society of Chartered Physiotherapists (ISCP). He has also served as a member of the board of Trinity College Dublin whereby he authored Ireland's first 'Student Partnership Agreement' to which he has received the highest accolade from Services Industrial Professional and Technical Union (SIPTU) for student rights. He now serves as an advisory board member on the National Student Engagement Programme (NStEP).



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Candidate: Kevin Burke

Registration No: PT030138

County of Practice: Dublin 12

Nominated in Category: Category 2: Registrant engaged in the management of services provided by the profession

Personal Statement/ Biography:

Kevin graduated from TCD with a BSC in Physiotherapy in 1990 and went on to receive an MA in Healthcare Management from the Institute of Public Administration in 2000. Kevin worked as a staff grade physiotherapist in the USA and in Cork University Hospital in the nineties. He has held the position of Physiotherapy Manager in both the Mercy University Hospital Cork (MUH), and presently, since December 2010, at Children's Health Ireland Crumlin, (previously Our Lady's Children's Hospital Crumlin). He has over 5 years of experience in general management; as Director of Support Services in MUH, and as a Business Manager in St James's Hospital, Dublin. He was recently seconded for a period of 15 months, as Directorate Operations Manager for CD2 in Children's Health Ireland, Crumlin, during a process of change management and structural reform. He returned to full time Physiotherapy management in Children's Health Ireland, Crumlin in November 2020.



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Candidate: Rona McLaughlin

Registration No: PT026136

County of Practice: Donegal

Nominated in Category: Category 2: Registrant engaged in the management of services provided by the profession

Personal Statement/ Biography:

Róna graduated in 1995 from the University of Ulster with a BSc. (Hons) in Physiotherapy. She started her clinical career in OLOH Drogheda, moving on thereafter to work in the HSE and private practice in Dundalk, Galway, Clare and Dublin. In 1998 she moved to Sydney, Australia where she worked in a variety of public and private clinics. On her return to Ireland in 2007 Róna took up a post as senior physiotherapist in Letterkenny Primary Care before being appointed Physiotherapy Manager for Donegal Community Services, CHO1 in July 2019.

Academically Róna has been involved in clinical research projects in the University of Ulster and NUIG, where she completed a Masters in Medical Science in 2018. She also recently completed an ISORM diploma in orthopaedic and rheumatological medicine.