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## **Election of Members to the Radiographers Registration Board at CORU**

**Candidate:** Michelle Sugrue (Radiographer)

**Registration No:** RA007425

**County of Practice:** Cork

**Nominated in Category:** Category 1: Registrants engaged in the practice of the profession of Radiographer or Radiation Therapist

### **Personal Statement/ Biography:**

Michelle qualified from the University of Hertfordshire with a BSc in Diagnostic Radiography in 2011. During the first two years of her career, she worked in a central London hospital, predominantly in CT. Here, she played a key role in conducting an audit on radiation exposure to the lens of the eye during CT brain scans. This led to a beneficial change in hospital protocol. She was also appointed the role of Safety Officer for this department.

On returning to Ireland in 2013, she worked on a locum basis. She remains a member of the Dublin locum group, which allows an insight into the operation and function of a variety of hospitals. In April 2013, Michelle accepted a permanent post in Cork University Hospital (CUH). In this department, Michelle worked within many specialist areas, including an extensive role in the Cardiac Catheterisation Laboratory. In addition to this, she was involved in the education and guidance of CUH student radiographers, which encouraged her to complete a diploma in 'Clinical Leadership'. Michelle was also a member of the CPD committee in CUH, working closely with other committee members in organising CPD events and learning opportunities for her colleagues.

Michelle went on to complete a Postgraduate Certificate in Breast Imaging, at London South Bank University. In January 2018, she commenced her current role as a Senior Radiographer in the Breast Check service at the Merrion Unit, Dublin. Soon after taking up this post, she was appointed the role of clinical trainer.



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## **Election of Members to the Radiographers Registration Board at CORU**

**Candidate:** Stephen Renardson (Radiographer)

**Registration No:** RA027597

**County of Practice:** Kerry

**Nominated in Category:** Category 1: Registrants engaged in the practice of the profession of Radiographer or Radiation Therapist

### **Personal Statement/ Biography:**

I am a very experienced Radiographer with over 40 year's working knowledge in both the UK and Ireland. Having qualified with a D.C.R (R) in 1976 from Hull School of Radiography, I spent the next 14 years working my way up the professional ladder in various UK hospitals.

In 1990 my family moved to Ireland for personal reasons and I took a position in Tralee General Hospital (now University Hospital Kerry) where I worked for 27 years until my retirement in 2016. For 16 of these years I was the RSM and during my final 4 years I oversaw the implementation of the NIMIS system in UHK and was the PACS Manager immediately prior to retirement.

I have recently returned to part time work in the Bon Secours Hospital Tralee which I am enjoying immensely. It has afforded me the opportunity to rekindle my love of Radiography as a profession.



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## **Election of Members to the Radiographers Registration Board at CORU**

**Candidate:** Ciaran Walsh (Radiographer)

**Registration No:** RA007674

**County of Practice:** Cork

**Nominated in Category:** Category 1: Registrants engaged in the practice of the profession of Radiographer or Radiation Therapist

### **Personal Statement/ Biography:**

Ciaran is the RSM in the Bon Secours Cork, Ireland's largest private hospital, currently undergoing major development and expansion. He trained in the UK where he worked in both NHS and private hospitals. Ciaran returned to Ireland to set up the CT service in St. Columille's Hospital, Loughlinstown before becoming RSM in the South Infirmery Victoria University Hospital, Cork.

Over the years, he has been involved in multiple regional and national projects. He has organised many short courses and study days for radiographers such as Red Dot, Cardiac Imaging and Cross Sectional Anatomy. Ciaran was closely associated with the establishment of the UCC postgraduate Radiography programme and does occasional lectures for the students.



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## **Election of Members to the Radiographers Registration Board at CORU**

**Candidate:** Marie-Louise Butler (Radiographer)

**Registration No:** RA006386

**County of Practice:** Dublin 4

**Nominated in Category:** Category 2: Registrant engaged in the education and training of persons in the practice of the profession of Radiographer or Radiation Therapist

### **Personal Statement/ Biography:**

I trained as a radiographer in UCD and initially worked as a radiographer in Waterford Regional Hospital. I returned to UCD as a lecturer in 2007, where I completed my PhD focussing on radiation safety. In 2008, I began working with Global Diagnostics where I worked closely with public and private hospitals nationwide focussing on quality improvement and safety. I was the acting RSM in Whitfield Clinic in 2017 and have just returned from a sabbatical from UCD where I fulfilled the role of Head of Clinical Services in Global Diagnostics.

I was previously the educational representative on IIRRT and worked with the EFRS, ESR and ABR. I have presented at numerous conferences and have organised several CPD events.



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## **Election of Members to the Radiographers Registration Board at CORU**

**Candidate:** Anita O'Donovan (Radiation Therapist)

**Registration No:** RA006321

**County of Practice:** Dublin 8

**Nominated in Category:** Category 2: Registrant engaged in the education and training of persons in the practice of the profession of Radiographer or Radiation Therapist

### **Personal Statement/ Biography:**

Anita O'Donovan joined the Discipline of Radiation Therapy at Trinity College Dublin (TCD) in 2011 as Assistant Professor, having previously worked in both clinical and research positions as a Radiation Therapist in Saint Luke's Hospital, Dublin and Cork University Hospital.

In terms of academic achievements, she received a BSc. in Radiation Therapy (First Class Hons), M.A. (j.o) and Special Purpose Certificate in Education, from Trinity College Dublin, and has recently submitted her PhD on the subject of cancer in the older person.

Anita is a member of the Science and Education committee of the International Society of Geriatric Oncology (SIOG) and an editorial board member for the Journal of Geriatric Oncology. She is also a member of faculty of the European Society for Radiotherapy and Oncology (ESTRO) course on the Multidisciplinary Management of Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer, and the organising committee of the Irish Geriatric Oncology annual meeting. Her commitment to promoting best practice is demonstrated through the organisation of many national and international scientific conferences and CPD courses for healthcare professionals, as well as international site visits in a consultancy role. She is also an active contributor to the Health and Social Care Professions (HSCP) group in Ireland, on behalf of the IIRRT.

Anita, through her interest in technology-enhanced learning and innovative teaching methods, was awarded a TCD Provost Teaching Award in June 2017.



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## **Election of Members to the Radiographers Registration Board at CORU**

**Candidate:** Niamh Moore (Radiographer)

**Registration No:** RA009652

**County of Practice:** Cork

**Nominated in Category:** Category 2: Registrant engaged in the education and training of persons in the practice of the profession of Radiographer or Radiation Therapist

### **Personal Statement/ Biography:**

As a CT clinical specialist radiographer and now as a lecturer in UCC I have always listened to, and delivered on, the needs of others. Throughout my 20 years of clinical experience in CUH, predominantly in CT, I ensured a high-quality CT service and education was delivered effectively utilising the allocated resources. The skills required in this role included listening to diverse needs, synthesising information and prioritising resources.

I have been actively involved in research in CT for over 10 years. I am currently on the IIRRT national council and have been a member of a Radiography Education Group since 2013 from which I developed a nationally accredited IV course. This group led to the development of an MSc Diagnostic Radiography programme in UCC, where I was the Programme Development Co-Ordinator and am now a Lecturer on the programme.