

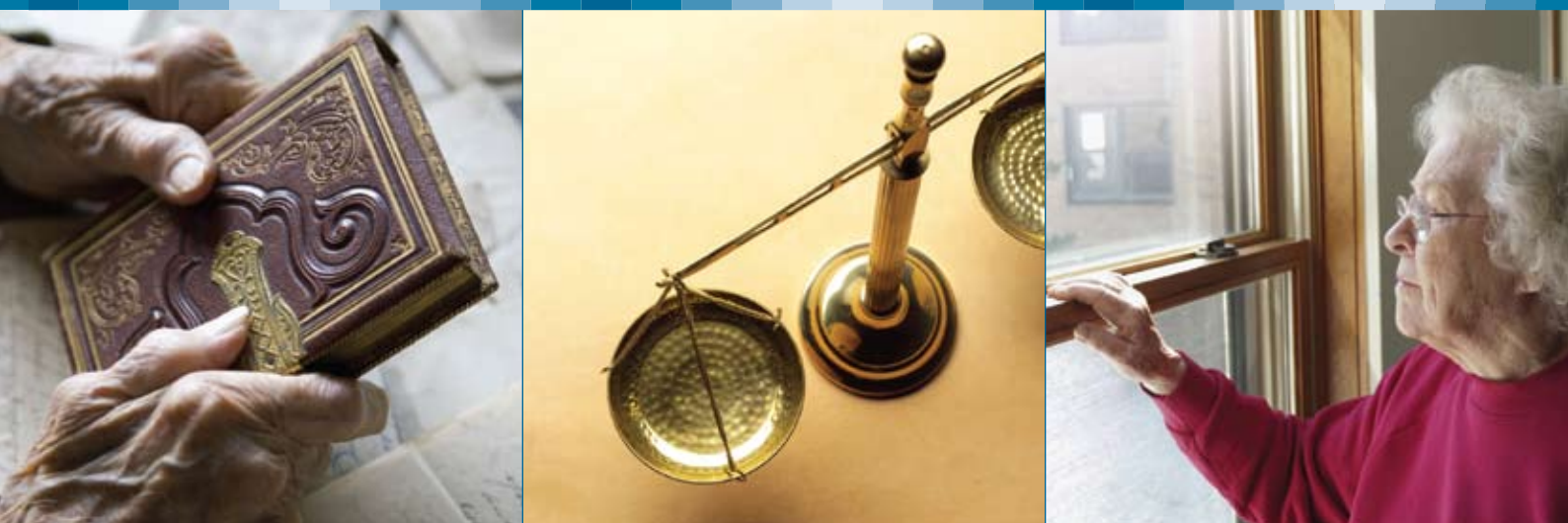


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Consent, Capacity and Human Rights in Dementia Care

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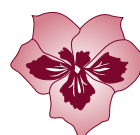
A one-day conference exploring issues of consent, capacity and
human rights for people with dementia



Hosted jointly by the Dementia Services Development Centre – Northern
Ireland and the Law Centre (NI)



Law Centre (NI)



The Dementia Services
Development Centre
Northern Ireland

Aim: This essential one-day conference will provide delegates with the opportunity to examine and discuss key aspects of dementia care. It will address consent, capacity and human rights from European, national and regional perspectives.

Audience: The conference will be extremely relevant to a broad audience, including medical, clinical, legal and justice professionals and service providers.

Cost: The cost is £120 per delegate. A limited number of reduced rate places are available for user groups and carers, priced at £55 per delegate.

Venue: The conference will take place at the Europa Hotel, Belfast (www.hastingshotels.com/europa). Accommodation is available at £105 per night bed & breakfast (single occupancy). To take advantage of this conference rate accommodation bookings must be made by 6 January 2009. Please contact Oonagh Thompson on 028 9093 0070 or o.i.thompson@stir.ac.uk for further details.

Getting there: Situated in the heart of Belfast city centre, the Europa Hotel is three miles from George Best Belfast City Airport and sixteen miles from Belfast International Airport. From the M1 and M2 motorways, follow the Westlink and exit at the Grosvenor Road junction. There is a 500 space multi-storey car park adjacent to the hotel. For those travelling by public transport, Great Victoria Street Station is next door to the hotel.

Programme

The morning session will be chaired by Professor June Andrews

- 09:15 Registration, tea and coffee
- 10:00 **Welcome and introductions.** Professor June Andrews, Director, Dementia Services Development Centre, University of Stirling
- 10:10 **Opening address.** Professor Monica McWilliams, Chief Commissioner, Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission
- 10:20 **'What on earth is the problem here?'** Neil Hunt, Chief Executive, Alzheimer's Society
- 10:50 Tea and coffee
- 11:20 **Choosing protection.** Daniel Blake, Policy Development Manager, Action on Elder Abuse
- 11:50 **Can advance directives promote the autonomy and self-determination of people with dementia? The European perspective**
Jean Georges, Executive Director, Alzheimer Europe
- 12:20 Q&A session
- 12:30 Lunch

The afternoon session will be chaired by Ursula O'Hare, Assistant Director (Policy), Law Centre (NI)

- 13:30 **The Adults with Incapacity Scotland Act 2000: a clinician's perspective**
Dr Cesar Rodriguez, Consultant in Old Age Psychiatry, NHS Tayside
- 14:10 **Now we know where we are, what is it that we need to do next?**
A chaired panel discussion on the impact of human rights on dementia care, engaging delegates and speakers
- 15:30 **Summary.** Professor June Andrews
- 15:45 Close

Professor June Andrews has record of challenging and high profile appointments at senior level in professional, academic and government roles, and in clinical management. She is able to command the confidence of ministers, the public and the health care professions as director of the Dementia Services Development Centre at the University of Stirling. The centre provides teaching, research, consultancy, information and policy advice internationally on dementia related issues.



Daniel Blake has worked for Action on Elder Abuse since 2004. He is currently the Policy Development Manager. He has strategic responsibility for the elder abuse response helpline, as well as leading for the organisation on criminal justice work, older people and domestic violence and working with care providers. Daniel also has overall management responsibility for five strategic projects funded by Comic Relief, carried out in partnership with other voluntary organisations. He has worked on a Department of Health funded project looking at adult protection data monitoring and performance measures. The results of this were accepted in full by Government at the 2006 AEA national conference.



Jean Georges was appointed Executive Director for Alzheimer Europe in 1996. In 2000 he was elected to the Board of the European Federation of Neurological Associations and was its Secretary General from 2002 to 2004. He was elected to the Executive of the European Patients' Forum in 2003, and held this post until 2008. In 2003 he was also appointed to the BMJ Patient Advisory Panel and the EMEA working group with patient organisations, and in 2004 he joined the EFNS task force for the revision of its dementia guidelines. In 2005 he was appointed by the Council of Ministers and the European Parliament as one of two patient representatives to the Management Board of the European Medicines Agency.



Neil Hunt worked for many years in social care in London and Kent before joining the NSPCC, where he became director of child protection. He was seconded to the civil service to work on a wide range of projects in the Home Office and the Department of Education & Skills before taking up the post of chief executive at the Alzheimer's Society in September 2003. He is the chair of the external reference group providing expert input into the development of the national dementia strategy for England and a member of the board of Alzheimer Europe.



Professor Monica McWilliams was appointed Chief Commissioner for Human Rights in Northern Ireland in September 2006. She served as a Member of the Legislative Assembly in Northern Ireland from 1998 to 2003 and was an elected member of the multi-party peace negotiations which led to the Belfast (Good Friday) Agreement in 1998. She was a co-founder and leader of the Northern Ireland Women's Coalition from 1997–2005 and has published widely on domestic violence, human security and the role of the political conflict on women's lives.



Ursula O'Hare is Assistant Director (Policy) at the Law Centre (NI) and also convenes the Mental Health and Learning Disability Alliance. Before taking up a post at the University of Ulster, she was Jean Monnet Lecturer in European Law and Policy at the University of Newcastle upon Tyne. She was also Visiting Professor in European Law at the University of Western Ontario and has published in the area of European equality law and international equality law.



Dr Cesar Rodriguez came to the United Kingdom in 1994 to start his specialisation in psychiatry after completing his medical degree at the University of Valencia, Spain. He has been in Tayside, Scotland since 1996, first as a psychiatric trainee and then as Consultant in Old Age Psychiatry. He is currently the Lead Clinician for Older People Services in Angus. He is a trustee at the Dementia Services Development Trust, Stirling and his special interests include psychopharmacology in the elderly and Scottish mental health legislation.



Booking form

Please complete this form in **BLOCK CAPITALS** and return to the address below

I would like to book a place at 'Consent, Capacity and Human Rights in Dementia Care' at a cost of £120 (If you are a carer or a member of a user group and would like more information about reduced rate places, please contact Oonagh Thompson on the phone number below)

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I have enclosed a cheque or postal order made payable to 'DSDC'

I would like to pay by

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Card number

Start date Expiry date

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Billing address postcode House no.

Please send payment along with your booking form or indicate to whom an invoice should be sent

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Please indicate if you have any special requirements, e.g. dietary, venue access, sound amplification, etc.

I confirm that I am happy for my details to be retained by DSDC-NI so I can be updated about future events. I understand my details will not be passed to any other organisation.

All delegates allocated a place will receive confirmation by email prior to the event. Demand is expected to be high and delegates are advised to book early to avoid disappointment.

Cancellations and changes. Cancellations must be received in writing. Cancellations made more than ten working days before an event will be subject to a 50% administration fee. After this date it is regretted that no refunds can be made nor invoices cancelled. Substitution of delegates is acceptable at any time. In the event of cancellation by the organisers, liability will be restricted to a refund of the fees paid. It may be necessary for reasons beyond the control of the organisers to make changes to speakers, content or timing of programmes.

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