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Press Statement

Psychiatrists mark 10 year Anniversary of their College with Renowned International and Domestic Keynote Speakers at their Spring Conference this week in Dublin – Thursday 4th April and Fri 5th April

The College of Psychiatrists of Ireland celebrates a major milestone this week at its two-day Spring Conference in the Castleknock Hotel, Dublin. Formed in January 2009 as an Irish only professional body for trainee psychiatrists and psychiatrist specialists, the College is now into its 11th year having achieved and sustained its status as the official accredited body for postgraduate training and professional competence, as well as being a major stakeholder in the mental health arena.

The packed two-day conference programme '*Looking Back - Moving Forward*' blends keynote clinical and research presentations, panel discussions and small group sessions, with a ceremony awarding fellowships for the first time, workshops on enhancing communication and media skills for members, poster presentations, and a gala celebratory dinner.

Keynote speakers and highlights are:

'The impact of social technologies on the mental health and wellbeing of children and young people' with Dr Mary Aiken

'Youth Mental Health – A Global Challenge' chaired by Prof Mary Cannon

'Autism Spectrum Disorder' plenary session with Prof Louise Gallagher, Dr Marc Woodbury-Smith and Adam Harris of Aslam

'Cannabis and Psychiatry' plenary session with Dr William Flannery as chair

[See full programme here](#)

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