PALLIATIVE CARE RESEARCH NETWORK
(P.C.R.N.)

Two-Day
Research Programme Development Meeting

24th & 25th September 2013

Location: Clarion Hotel Liffey Valley, Dublin
Purpose

The purpose of the meeting is to:

1) Review existing research strands, work projects, clinical and research skills, experience and expertise.

2) Consider current / future research priorities and opportunities for the P.C.R.N. in terms of what is important? What is relevant? What is feasible?

3) Provide opportunities to develop research potential and foster strategic leadership for future projects.

4) Develop targeted grant proposals for submission to national & international funders.

Participants:

The following groups are asked to attend both days:

- All P.C.R.N. Lead & Co-Principal Investigators
- Key collaborators for the overarching SRN
- HRB and HSC R&D Division representatives

Goals for the Retreat event:

To provide an opportunity for palliative care researchers and collaborators to review current strengths, identify gaps in research priorities and research capacity, develop new research themes, topics, collaborations and potential projects, and ultimately, develop the knowledge and research skills necessary to meet AIHPC’s vision for palliative care on the island of Ireland.

Anticipated outputs:

It is anticipated that the following outputs will be achieved:

1) At least two draft research proposals developed for possible external research funding.

2) Additional themes identified for potential collaboration around topics and methodology.
Preparation
In preparation for the Retreat, attendees are asked to come prepared by reading the following documents and considering the questions below:

- Update on P.C.R.N.

- Research articles:
  - Palliative care research on the island of Ireland over the last decade: a systematic review and thematic analysis of peer reviewed publications (McIlfatrick et al. 2013). *BMC Pall Care*, 0(0).

Additional questions:
- What is the current focus of the P.C.R.N./research strands/work projects?
- In your opinion, what/where are other possible areas of interest/new research across and within strands?
- Are their new areas for potential other collaboration across and within the strands?
- How do we ensure the research is attractive and relevant for national and international audiences?
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DAY TWO

Recap of Day 1

Presentation on new Research Strand 3

Open discussion & group work

Coffee break (15mins)

Group work continued

Lunch (1hr)

Group work

Coffee break (15mins)

Identify & agree on next steps

Evaluation of Retreat e.g. if we were to organise another retreat, what three things should we aim to achieve/ avoid?

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