Dear Healthcare Professional

I am delighted to invite you to attend the upcoming Pain in 21st Century meeting, which will take place in Dublin Castle, on 21st - 22nd February 2009.

The aim of this inaugural international postgraduate meeting is to address a spectrum of the key issues in pain medicine, from anaesthesia through epidemiology to rehabilitation and the challenge of returning to work. Developments in cancer pain and neuropathic pain will also be addressed. Divided into six modules, over two days, a diverse range of topics will be discussed in lectures and workshops.

Should you wish to attend the meeting, please complete and return the enclosed registration form or visit www.mandcgroup.ie to register online. Early registration has been extended to 4th February.

I hope that you will join us for what promises to be an educational and memorable meeting.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Camillus Power
Consultant Anaesthetist
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## PROGRAMME

**Saturday 21 February 2009**

### MODULE 1: PAIN IN THE COMMUNITY
- **9.15 - 9.20am** Introduction: Dr Josh Keaveny (Chair), Consultant Anaesthetist/Pain Specialist, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin
- **9.20 - 9.50am** The extent of the problem - Epidemiology: Dr Fiona Blyth, Consultant Epidemiologist, Royal North Shore Hospital, Australia
- **9.50 - 10.20am** Preventing chronic pain and disability - A Renaissance: Dr Clement Leech, – Chief Medical Advisor, Department of Social and Family Affairs
- **10.20 - 10.30am** Q&A Session

### MODULE 2: ACUTE PAIN
- **10.35 - 11.00am** COFFEE
- **11.00 - 11.05am** Introduction: Dr David O’Gorman (Chair), Consultant in Anaesthesia and Chronic Pain, University College Hospital and Bon Secours Hospital, Galway
- **11.05 - 11.35am** Evidence based acute pain management: Professor Stephan Schug, Professor of Anaesthesia, University of Western Australia and Director of Pain Medicine, Royal Perth Hospital, Australia
- **11.35 - 12.05am** Acute and chronic pain interface: Dr Camillus Power, AMNCH, Tallaght, Dublin
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### MODULE 3: INTERVENTIONAL PAIN
- **12.20 - 1.15pm** LUNCH
- **1.15 - 1.20pm** Introduction: Dr Liam Conroy (Chair), Consultant in Anaesthesia and Pain Medicine, Mercy Hospital, Cork
- **1.20 - 1.50pm** Neuromodulation – an advanced pain therapy: Dr Declan O’Keeffe, Consultant in Pain Medicine, SVUH, Dublin
- **1.50 - 2.20pm** Interventional therapies for spinal pain: Dr Connal McCrory, Consultant in Pain Medicine, SJH, Dublin
- **2.20 - 2.40pm** Q&A Session

### MODULE 4: MANAGING PAIN & BACK TO WORK
- **2.40 - 2.45pm** Introduction: Dr Roisin MacSullivan (Chair), Consultant in Anaesthesia and Pain Management, Mater Hospital, Dublin
- **2.45 - 3.15pm** Rehabilitation and intervention, a twin track approach: Professor Michael Nicholas, Clinical & Research Psychologist, Director of the ADAPT Pain Management Programme, University of Sydney, Australia
- **3.15 - 3.45pm** Restoration of function and the challenge of return to work: Professor Paul Watson, Pain Management and Rehabilitation, University Division of Anaesthesia, Critical Care and Pain Management, Leicester-Warwick Medical School, UK
- **3.45 - 4.05pm** Q&A Session

### MODULE 5: CANCER PAIN
- **4.05 - 4.20pm** COFFEE & LIGHT REFRESHMENTS
- **4.20 - 4.25pm** Introduction: Dr Tony O’Brien (Chair), Medical Director, Marymount Hospice & Consultant Physician in Palliative Medicine, CUH, Cork
- **4.25 - 4.55pm** Cancer pain assessment: Dr Dermot Fitzgibbon, Associate Professor, University of Washington,
- **4.55 - 5.25pm** Cancer pain - the role of interventional techniques: Dr Paul Murphy, Consultant in Anaesthesia, SVUH, Dublin
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## WORKSHOPS 11.15AM - 12.15PM

- **An overview of interventional pain**
  - Dr Donal Harney (Facilitator)
  - Dr David O’Gorman
  - Dr John Browne

- **Cancer pain – 2009: the year of cancer**
  - Dr Ray Victory (Facilitator)
  - Dr Dermot Fitzgibbon
  - Dr Tony O’Brien
  - Dr Dympna Waldron

- **Regional anaesthesia and acute pain**
  - Professor Harmon (Facilitator)
  - Professor Stephan Schug
  - Professor Michael Nicholas

- **The future for pain rehabilitation**
  - Dr Camillus Power (Facilitator)
  - Professor Paul Watson
  - Professor Michael Nicholas

For further information on the meeting, please contact Carol Manweiler of M+C Events on cmanweiler@mandcgroup.ie or Tel: 01-665-0300