



20th Annual Positive Choices Conference



***Developing and Enhancing the Role of the RNLD and the RNID
to Meet the Challenges of the Future***

Positive Choices Conference Programme Friday 12th of April 2024

08:30-09:30	<i>Registration</i>	Ground Floor, Medical Biology Centre (MBC), 97 Lisburn Road, BT99BL
Early Morning		
09:30-09:45	Welcome	Professor <i>Michael Brown</i> Queen's University Belfast
09:45-10:00	Opening address	Professor <i>Donna Fitzsimons</i> Queen's University Belfast
10:00-10:15	Keynote address <i>"Future Nurse, Future Midwife and the role of the nurse in caring for people with intellectual disabilities"</i>	<i>Ms Maria McIlgorm</i> <i>Chief Nursing Officer for Northern Ireland</i>
10:15-10:35	<i>"Unlocking Insights: Navigating the Intersection of Ageing and Intellectual Disability Nursing - Lessons from the IDS- TILDA Study"</i>	<i>Dr Éilish Burke</i> The University of Dublin Trinity College
10.35-10:55	'Think COULD: Evaluation project and next steps of a Queen's Nursing cohort in supporting people with a Learning Disability through the Criminal Justice System'	Mr <i>Craig Bell</i> NHS Forth Valley Learning Disabilities Service
10:55-11:20	<i>"We want you to make a difference"</i>	MiXiT
11:20-11:40	Comfort Break	

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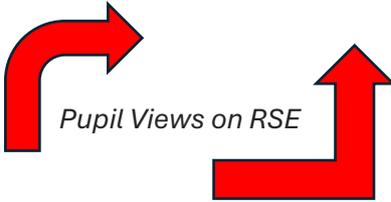
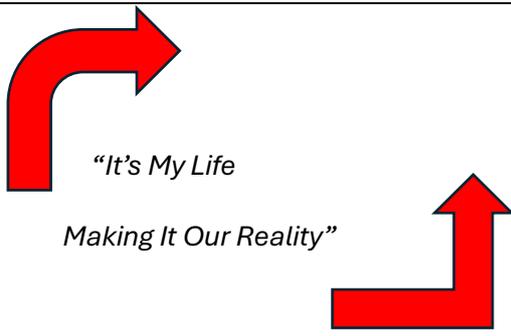


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Late Morning		
11:40-12:05	 <p><i>Pupil Views on RSE</i></p>	Knockevin Senior School Castlewellan Campus
12:05-12:25	<p><i>“The value of Learning Disability Nurses, a Fathers’ perspective, and experiences”</i></p>	Mr Mark Mulholland
12:25-12:50	 <p><i>“It’s My Life Making It Our Reality”</i></p>	Professor Michael Brown & Dr Freda McCormick Queen’s University Belfast
13:00-14:00	Lunch and networking	

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AFTERNOON		
14:00-14:20	<i>"We are a MakaFamily- see us as us"</i>	Makasong
14:20-14:40	<i>"How do student and early career learning disability nurses develop their sense of professional identity and belonging within practice environments, and how can this influence post-registration employment"</i>	Mr Sam Abdulla Edinburgh Napier University, Scotland
14:40-15:00	<i>"Committing to continued learning and development and advancing Learning Disability Nursing in Practice"</i>	Ms Kathryn Vaux Community Learning Disability Team, Northern Ireland
15:00-15:20	<i>"Equity of Access and Outcome"</i>	Ms Siobhan Rogan
15:20-15:45	Closing remarks & CLOSE OF CONFERENCE	Professor Michael Brown Queen's University Belfast
Positive Choices 2025 10th and 11th April University of Winchester		

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