



# BRAIN CONNECTIONS

## Advances in Research and Support

Saturday 14th June 2025 1-4pm, Western Gateway Building UCC

### Details of Presentations



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SESSION TITLE	SPEAKERS	Time	Room
Session A: Understanding Dementia	Professor Tony Foley, <i>Department of General Practice, UCC</i>	1.00-1.30pm	G.18
	Gemma McCarthy, <i>Advanced Nurse Practitioner ICPOP, Memory Clinic, HSE Cork</i>	2.30-3.00pm	
Session B: Understanding Parkinson's Disease	Dr Diana Olszewska, <i>Consultant Neurologist, CUH</i>	1.30-2:00pm	G.14
	Dr Grace Crotty, <i>Consultant Neurologist, CUH</i>	3:00-3.30pm	
Session C: Exercise and Brain Health	Dr Leanne Ahern, <i>Physiotherapist, North Cork Primary Care Services</i> & Dr Ruth McCullagh, <i>Senior Lecturer, Discipline of Physiotherapy, UCC</i>	1:00-1:30pm	G.08
Session D: Diet, Gut Health and Brain Health	Dr Kseniya Simbirtseva, <i>APC Microbiome</i> & Dr Sarah Nicolas, <i>Department of Anatomy and Neuroscience</i>	1.30-2.00pm	G.04
Session E: Music and Brain Health	Dr Eva McMullan, <i>School of Music and Theatre, UCC</i>	2:30-3:00pm	G.08
Session F: Cognition, Communication and Brain Health	Dr Fiadhnaít O'Keeffe, <i>Department of Applied Psychology</i> & Dr Emma Gleeson, <i>Department of Speech and Hearing Sciences</i>	3.00-3.30pm	G.02
Session G: Signposting to Services for Parkinson's Disease and Dementia	Ms Charlotte Deasy, <i>Parkinson's Ireland, Parkinson's disease Nurse Specialist</i> & Ms Amy Murphy, <i>Alzheimer Society of Ireland, Dementia Advisor</i>	3.30-4.00pm	G.14



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