

# First Responders & Civil Defence Lecture Day

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2023

9:00 – 17:00

Brookfield Health Sciences Centre

[Lecture Theatre BHSC G05](#)

University College Cork

[College Rd, University College, Cork, T12 AK54](#)

**9:00 - 9:15**

## **Welcome Address**

Veronica Forde Civil Defence Officer

## **Introduction**

Dr Tony Lynch GP/First Responder

**9:15 - 10:00**

## **Lecture 1 Helicopter Medicine**

Paul Traynor Advance Paramedic with Irish Air Ambulance

**10:00 - 10:45**

## **Lecture 2 A Life Responding**

Dr Hugh Doran

**10:45 - 11:00**

## **Refreshments & Networking**

**11:00 - 11:45**

## **Lecture 3 Road Traffic Collisions and Scene Safety**

Ger Ryan Fire Officer, Cork Fire Brigade

**11:45 - 12:30**

## **Lecture 4 First Responders' Mental Health**

Dr Sandra Peake CEO Wave Trauma Centre Belfast

Sandra trained as a nurse in Belfast and has had a distinguished career dealing with both medical and psycho-social trauma. She has a PhD in Victimology from UCC, and two honorary doctorates as well as an MBE. Sandra is an advocate for those who have been injured and traumatised during the Troubles, as well as victims of institutional abuse and also works internationally with victims across the globe.

**12:45 - 13:30**

## **Lunch**

<b>13:30 - 14:15</b>	<b>Lecture 5</b>	<b>Lessons from Covid</b>
	Dr Colm Henry	Chief Medical Officer
<b>14:15 - 15:00</b>	<b>Lecture 6</b>	<b>Community First Response - the Irish View</b>
	Ger O'Dea	National Community Engagement Manager, National Ambulance Service
<b>15:00 - 15:15</b>	<b>Refreshments &amp; Networking</b>	
<b>15:15 - 16:00</b>	<b>Lecture 7</b>	<b>Paediatric Emergencies</b>
	Prof C. Farrell	Director of EMS Harvard University Boston
	<p>Prof. Farrell's research interests focus on paediatric trauma and injury prevention. She is interested in the epidemiology of injury, social determinants of health, strategies for injury prevention, as well as the acute management of trauma patients. Her prior work has included paediatric fractures, motor vehicle safety, firearm-associated injury, and child abuse fatalities. Her interest in the pre-hospital care of ill and injured children has led to a collaboration between EMS education and research.</p>	
<b>16:00 - 16:45</b>	<b>Lecture 7</b>	<b>Critical Update</b>
	Micheal Sheridan	CEO of Critical
	<p>Critical is one of Ireland's leading Emergency Medical Response charities, it is a network of Volunteer Emergency Medical Responders and Emergency First Responders.</p>	
<b>16:45 - 17:00</b>	<b>Event Summary and Conclusion</b>	
	Dr Tony Lynch	

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