

STACEY POWER

School of Medicine

Conference Attended:

The International Stillbirth Alliance's 11th Annual Conference, Madrid, 4th, 5th & 6th of October 2019.

Attending this conference was very beneficial to my learning as this year's International Stillbirth Alliance conference had a strong focus on the area of my research; fatal fetal anomalies. I benefitted from listening to and networking with many international experienced researchers. Furthermore, I received two highly commended posters during the ISA conference. This created an interest in my research with many attendees enquiring about my studies and care provision in Ireland. This generated good discussion of the care being delivered elsewhere and generated much thought regarding future research topics. All of the above facilitated me in networking with researchers in the area of fatal fetal anomalies and perinatal palliative care with the hopes of future collaborative research studies.

Many Irish delegates were in attendance of the conference. This also offered a great opportunity for me to network and highlight current research studies I am conducting, to potential participants. This hopefully will increase my participant recruitment in my final studies of my PhD.

Lastly, this conference allowed me the opportunity to further explore what research is being done on my research topic and by whom. This has encouraged me to begin thinking of potential external examiners for my Viva Voce next year.