

# Academic Health Science System (AHSS)

## and HSE Health Regions

Principles: High Quality Services, Teaching, Training, Research and Innovation



### Chief Academic Officer Role

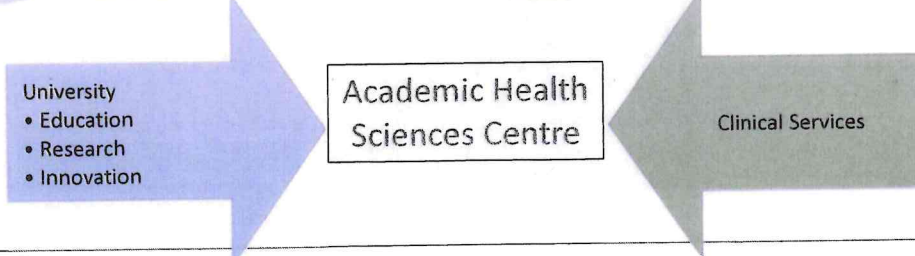
The Establishment of Hospital Groups as a Transition to Independent Hospital Trusts  
*A report to the Minister for Health, Dr James Reilly TD Published February 2013*



The Hospital Group CAO will be a senior academic Clinician/Healthcare Professional with a Senior Executive leadership role in the primary academic partner institution.



The CAO will be the formal channel for cooperation and collaboration between the hospital group and its primary academic partner.



Health Sciences Academy



## Health Sciences Academy Launch 2019



### Three work streams:

- Research & Innovation
- Clinical Practice Integration
- Equality & Inclusion

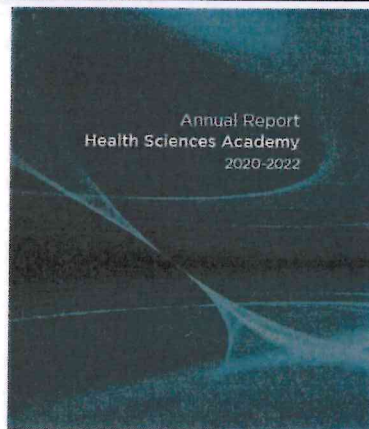
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## Health Sciences Academy: Work to Date



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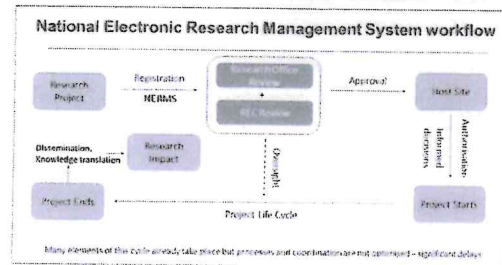
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## Work Stream 1: Research and Innovation

### Research:

#### Key areas:

- Research governance
- Implementation of National Research Governance Framework
- Supporting staff
- Secondment Agreements
- Patient & Public Involvement



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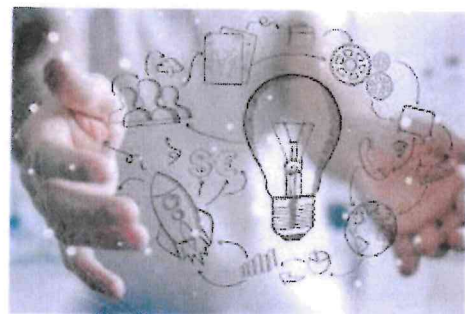
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## Work Stream 1: Research and Innovation

### Innovation:

#### Building a culture of innovation in the Mid-West

- Innovation in Healthcare Steering Committee
- HSE Spark
- **Student immersion- MSc in Design for Health and Wellbeing**
- Rapid Innovation Unit
- Winter Education Series



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## Work Stream 2: Clinical Practice Integration

### ULMedX

- Secured funding
- Implementation of ULMedX programme in UL and MWCH site
- 2 PhD studentships
- Research in community and University

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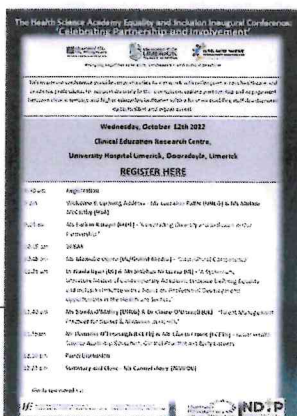
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## Work Stream 3: Equality and Inclusion

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University of Limerick



### Staff projects

- Nursing research:  
"Talent Management Practices for Nurses & Midwives in ULHG"
- White paper:  
"To carry out a systematic literature review of contemporary academic evidence defining equality and inclusion practice with a focus on professional development opportunities in the healthcare sector"
- Staff CPD

### UL student projects

- Allied Health Forum- student placements
- All-Ireland Interprofessional Education Challenge (AIPEC)
- Interprofessional Education
- Interdisciplinary Induction Pack

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**Junior Health Sciences Academy**  
**EARLY CAREERS EVENT 2023**  
 28th February, 9:30am - 12:30pm, via Zoom  
 Information on careers and opportunities in Health for TY students  
 Binding together research, innovation and clinical practice  
[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

**the care aware crew**

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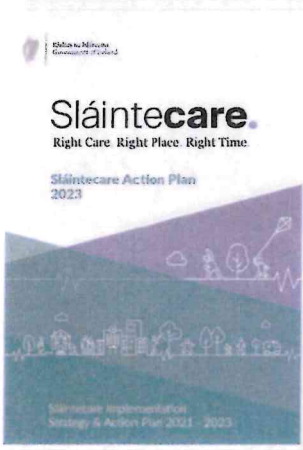
**Chief Academic Officer Group**

*“All health systems use knowledge”.*

**An Academic Health Sciences System  
 creates knowledge as well as using it**

**Covid Biobanking / National Simulation Strategy**

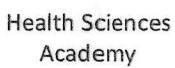
## Sláintecare and Academic Health Sciences System





“Our Focus in 2023 will be continue to be on improving access, outcomes and affordability for patients by increasing the capacity and effectiveness of the workforce, infrastructure and delivery of patient care” (page 5 Foreword from Minister of Health)


**AHSS and Priority Reform Programmes**

- Quality of Care
- Capacity
- Productivity
- Effectiveness
- Safety
- Equality









## Academic Health Science System and Sláintecare

**What is an AHSS?**

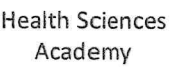
- Partnership of high quality health and social care and learning organisations


**Why an AHSS?**


- Patient Outcomes
- Recruitment and Retention
- Workplace Culture
- Value to the State
- Learning Organisations
- Continuous Quality Improvement


**What is required to deliver an AHSS in Ireland?**

- Accountable integrated system underpinned by government policy and aligned to Sláintecare.











## Sláintecare and Academic Health Sciences System

- CAOs engagement with Acute care, Community, Public Health and GPs
- An opportunity to align Irish healthcare with its partners in education, clinical research, informatics, innovation and healthcare delivery
- Enables healthcare professionals, scientists and clinical researchers **together**, to deliver consistent, high quality, evidence-based, safe healthcare, for the benefit of all




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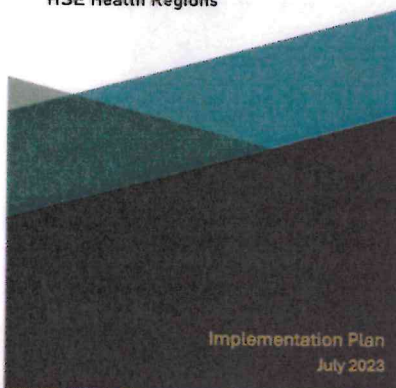
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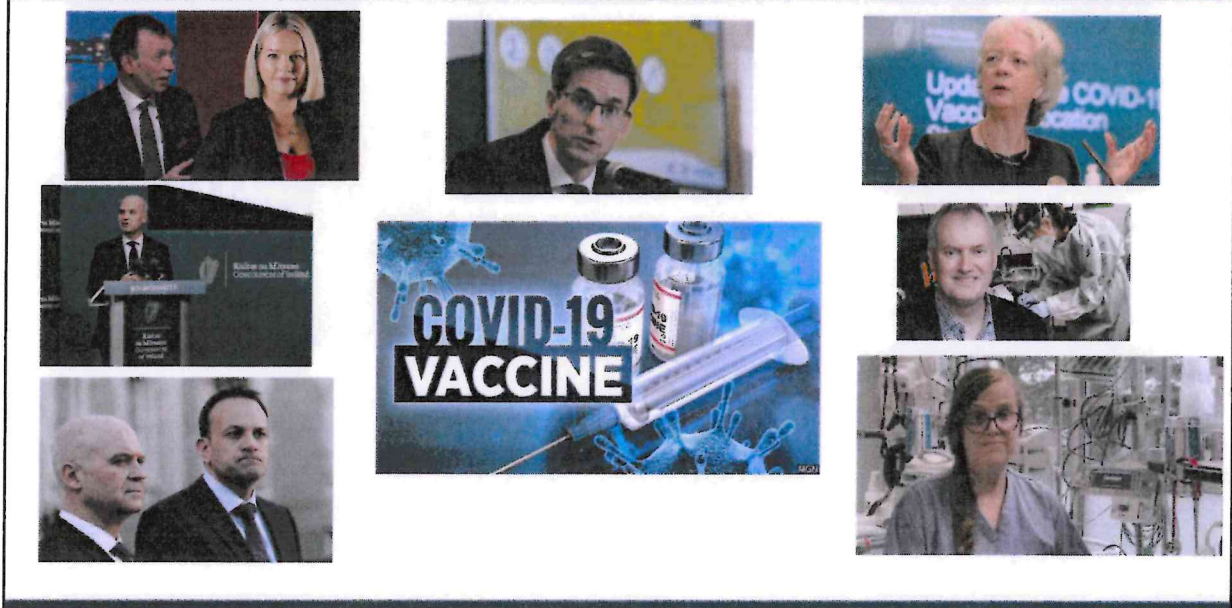
Organisational Reform  
HSE Health Regions



## Organisational Reform HSE Health Regions Implementation Plan July 2023

- Research, Education, Transformation & Innovation
- Regionalised approach will build on closer relations established in recent years between Academic Teaching Hospitals and Hospital Groups.
- Academic Health Science Systems to be embedded into the design and the culture of Health Regions.
- Also foster closer working relations between **health and social care services**, and the **further and higher education** system at regional and at national level promoting excellence in clinical practice and clinical efficiency, to include a **community care** focus as well as in **acute** settings.

## Public Trust in Health Science – Communication / Education



## AHSS Conference in the Midwest

**THE POWER OF COLLABORATION:**  
Building an Academic Health Science System in the Midwest Region

Friday  
8th December 2023

9.10am – 16.00pm  
REGISTRATION FROM 8.30AM

Clinical Education and Research Centre (CERC)  
University Hospital Limerick

**REGISTER NOW**

**Keynote Speaker:**  
**Professor David Burn**  
Director of Newcastle Health Innovation Partners (NHIP), Professor Charles and Anne Buskirk Distinguished Professor, Neurology, Newcastle University

NHIP involves multidisciplinary health and care research, bringing the best talent and expertise to improve patient health, address health inequalities and generate economic growth. This is the principal of an academic health science system which we are developing in the Midwest.

**Programme Schedule**

Opening Address & Introduction	09:00 - 09:15
Executive Panel Discussion CHRC CEO, U. President, U. Mid West, HSE CEO Director - Public Health Research and T&D Research	09:15 - 10:05
Population Health and Science: Innovative for Assessment Chair reports during morning educational conference	10:05 - 11:20
Networking Break	11:20 - 11:40
Education & Innovation: AHSS Building Blocks Chair reports during morning educational conference	11:40 - 13:00
<b>★ Grand Finale Speaker ★</b> <b>Professor David Burn</b> Director of Newcastle Health Innovation Partners, British Deputy, Professor Charles and Anne Buskirk Distinguished Professor, Neurology, Newcastle University	13:00 - 13:50
Lunch	13:50 - 14:15
Research Informing Practice: Innovating Patient Services Clinical expert sharing insights followed by panel discussion	14:15 - 15:45
Closing Address	15:45 - 16:00

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## Academic Health Science System in Mid West – NEXT STEPS

- **Establish an Academic Health Science Governance Board** – (same personnel on CERC Management Board)
- **Coordinate HSE and UL Health Research policies to reduce duplication.**
- **Facilitate Secondment Policies**
- **Convert Memorandum of understanding of Health Science Academy to Memorandum of agreement.**
- **Name Change – “Mid West Academy of Health Science (MWAHS)”**

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