

# CCNA Nursing Programme

Towards a comprehensive Paediatric Cardiology Service



Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025

Room: Seligman Theatre

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| 08:00 – 09:15     Registration   |  |  |
| 08:45 – 09:00 <b>Sponsored Symposium</b>   |  |  |
| Session 1: Heart Failure – Innovating Paediatric Heart Transplantation Care<br>Chairs: Adrienne Cottam and Liz Smith |  |  |
| 09:15 - 09:20  | Welcome  | Adrienne Cottam                              |
| 09:20 - 09:45  | Why is heart transplant so hard? Overview and case study                               | Dr Jacob Simmonds                            |
| 09:45 - 10:10  | The heart of the transplant team – Innovations in the essential coordinator role       | Sarah Mead-Regan                             |
| 10:10 - 10:35  | Heart transplant patient experience Sofiyat - My POV                                   | Sofiyat Abisogun                             |
| 10:35 - 10:50  | Discussion and questions   | All  |
| 10:50 - 11:20  | Refreshment break and posters  |  |
| Session 2: Right AV Valve- Evolving Care<br>Chairs: Di Robertshaw and Bridget Leavey                                 |  |  |
| 11:20 - 11:50  | Fontan FORWARD: A journey of twists and turns  | Kathryn M. Dodds                             |
| 11:50 - 12:15  | Living the best life with a Fontan   | Professor Kerry Gaskin & Lexie Katsaitis     |
| 12:15 - 12:35  | From Challenges to Change: Well-being challenges in paediatric CHD                     | Dr Helena Widdrington                        |
| 12:35 - 12:40  | Discussion and questions   | All  |
| 12:40 - 13:40  | Lunch, CCNA AGM, networking and posters  |  |
| 12:45 -13:15 <b>BVM Sponsored Symposium</b>  |  |  |
| Session 3: Innovations in Career Pathways<br>Chairs: Liz Akers and Sarah Mead-Reagan                                 |  |  |
| 13:40 - 14:15  | Hi-vis jackets, hobnail boots and stethoscopes - A nursing voice in the physical build | Carolyn Akyil, Cheryl Riotto & Eamonn Gorman |
| 14:15 - 14:50  | Nursing evolvement in cardiothoracic transplantation - How far can we go?              | Jennifer Baxter                              |
| 14:50 - 15:15  | Embracing digital leadership - A new nursing frontier                                  | Adrienne Cottam                              |
| 15:15 - 15:30  | Discussion and questions   | All  |
| 15:30 - 15:45  | Refreshment break and posters  |  |
| 15:45 - 16:20  | From ward to chair: The rhythm of a congenital cardiac career                          | Professor Kerry Gaskin                       |
| BCCA Lifetime Achievement Award Lecture<br>Chairs: Dr Victoria Jowett and Mr Andreas Hoschitzky                      |  |  |
| 16:30 - 17:15  | The past, present and future of cardiac morphology                                     | Professor Robert H. Anderson                 |
| 17:15  | Close  |  |
| 19:00 – 23:00  | Conference dinner – The Great Hall, Bart's Heritage                                    |  |