

# FROM PATIENT TO PARTNER: BECOMING INVOLVED IN CANCER RESEARCH & CARE



## Training Day on Public and Patient Involvement (PPI) for People with Lived Experience of Cancer

- Discover why patient voices matter in research and care
- Follow the path from lab research to real-world treatment
- Hear real stories from experienced patient partners
- Learn how to get involved and make an impact
- Network with researchers, clinicians and fellow patient partners

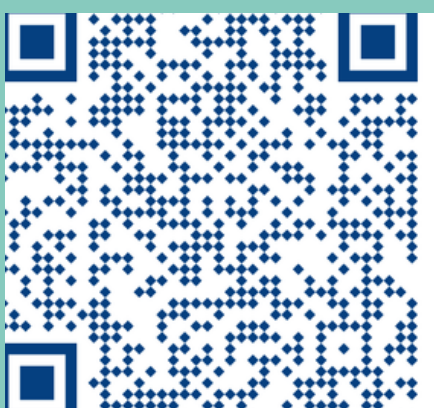


01 JULY 2026, 9 AM TO 4 PM



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**SCAN TO SCAN TO  
EXPRESS INTEREST**



For patients,  
survivors, and family  
members  
who want to  
contribute to cancer  
research and services.

**No prior experience is  
needed.**

# Event Agenda

9:30-10:00 am Registration & Coffee

10:00-11:30 Session 1: What is Public and Patient Involvement and why it matters?

Introduction to Public and Patient Involvement

Speaker: Prof. Amanda McCann, cancer biologist and Chair of The Patient Voice in Cancer Research

From Patient to Partner: Sharing of Personal Journey

Speaker: Gillian Costelloe, Patient Advocate

Insights from a Research Partnership on Prostate Cancer

Speakers: Martin Sweeney, Patient Advocate and Dr. Noa Gordon, a Public Health Researcher

11:30-11:45 Networking Coffee

11:45-1:00 Session 2: Inside Cancer Research

Tour to the UCD Conway Institute of Biomolecular and Biomedical Research

My life as a Cancer Researcher

Speaker: Dr. Arman Rahman, Cancer Researcher at UCD

1:00-2:00 Lunch

2:00 - 3:15 pm Session 3: Cancer Care in Practice

How is Care Delivered: The Insides of Clinical Practice

Speaker: Dr. Paula Lynch, Oncology Clinical Trial Fellow at St. Vincent's University Hospital

How is Care organised and Managed?

Speaker: Louise McDonnell, Associate Director Haematology/Oncology at St. Vincent's Private Hospital

3:15: - 3:30pm Networking Coffee

3:30: - 4:00pm Session 4: Becoming a Patient Partner: How to get involved?

Round Table: Sharing Practical Tips to become a Patient Partner

Speakers: Gillian Costello, Martin Sweeney and Mary Staunton