

Curriculum Vitae – Siobhan Jennings

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Short CV

Dr. Siobhan Jennings is a Consultant in Public Health Medicine with the Health Service Executive based at Dr Steevens Hospital, Dublin as well as an Honorary Senior Clinical Lecturer at the Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland.

After qualifying at University College Galway, she worked in Paediatrics in Ireland and Canada prior to specialising in Public Health Medicine. She took up a consultant post in Public Health Medicine in UK in 1992 working in primary care development, cancer screening and paediatric service development. She returned to Ireland in 1999.

Since 2000 she has promoted heart health at regional and national level as well as in undergraduate and post graduate teaching. After returning from the UK she audited the progress of the first five years (2000-2004) of the national cardiovascular strategy in the publication, Ireland: Take Heart; led the implementation of the Sudden Cardiac Death Task Force and initiated Heartbeat, the AMI improvement programme.

Currently she is the Public Health Lead on the Acute Coronary Syndrome National Clinical Programme which aims to achieve 80% primary percutaneous coronary intervention across the country with attendant organisational change. She is also the Public Health Lead in the new Prevention of Chronic Disease Programme which sets out to Make Every Contact Count in order to promote health within the health service with the early focus on addressing smoking cessation.

With an interest in dietary salt reduction in Ireland she has been instrumental in HSE's procurement policy of low salt bread for patients and staff throughout the country.

She is also a member of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland's steering group on obesity with a remit to influence public awareness and policy.

Addendum to Siobhan Jennings' Curriculum Vitae

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