

You are invited to join us for the 3rd ICPCN CONFERENCE *Inspiration, Innovation, Integration*

30 May - 2 June 2018
Durban, South Africa

Venue

Southern Sun Elangeni Hotel
Marine Parade, Durban

Registration closes on
20 May 2018



Building on the success of our two previous ICPCN conferences in Mumbai in 2014 and Buenos Aires in 2016, the ICPCN is delighted to present the **3rd ICPCN Conference: *Inspiration, Innovation, Integration*** to take place in Durban, South Africa from Wednesday 30 May – Saturday 2 June 2018. The conference will bring together people from around the world and from all professions who work with children with life-threatening and life-limiting conditions and facilitate the exchange of knowledge, new and innovative ideas, research and experiences.

Who should attend?

This conference is for **anyone** who works with children who are or may be affected by a life-limiting or life-threatening illness.

With a line up of world class invited speakers, the conference programme promises to provide rich opportunities for professional development and networking and aims to be a catalyst for the development of expertise in children's palliative care in South Africa.



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The conference will focus on:

- **Inspirational** ideas and their implementation
- **Innovations** and research into the care of children with life-limiting and life threatening conditions
- **Integration** of children's palliative care within health, social and education systems

A full day of 7 workshops on 30 May will cover:

1. Managing **pain** in children from birth to young adulthood
2. Children's palliative care in **humanitarian** situations
3. Providing **perinatal** palliative care
4. Difficult **conversations** in children's palliative care
5. Reaching out to **develop** children's palliative care programmes
6. Considering **ethics** in children's palliative care
7. Conducting **research** in Children's Palliative Care

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Our line-up of inspirational invited speakers

Dr MR Rajagopal



Dr MR Rajagopal is the director of the WHO Collaborating Center at Trivandrum, Kerala for Policy and Training on Access to Pain Relief, and the founder-chairman of "Pallium India". Human Rights Watch honoured him with the Alison Des Forges award for "Extraordinary activism in promoting the notion that denial of pain relief is a violation of human rights". In 2017 a documentary film titled "Hippocratic: 18 experiments in gently shaking the world" based on Dr Rajagopal's contributions to palliative care was released. He was also named one of the 30 most influential leaders in hospice and palliative medicine by AAHPM and is a Nobel Peace Prize nominee.

Prof Julia Downing



Professor Julia Downing is the Chief Executive of the International Children's Palliative Care Network (ICPCN). She is an experienced palliative care nurse, educationalist and researcher, with a PhD that evaluated palliative care training in rural Uganda. She has been working within palliative care for 25 years, with 15 of those working internationally in Uganda, Africa and Eastern Europe. She is an honorary professor at Makerere University, Kampala and also works as an International Palliative Care Consultant.

Dr Satbir Jassal (MBE)



Dr Sat Jassal (MBE) is the medical director of Rainbows Children's Hospice in Leicestershire heading a team of 4 doctors. He wrote the Rainbows Children's Hospice Symptom Control Manual, co-authored the Oxford Handbook of Paediatric Palliative Medicine. He is chair and editor of the APPM Master Formulary and helped develop the NICE guidelines for PPC as well as the RCPCH education and training curriculum in PPC. Dr Jassal is a lecturer at Cardiff University in Paediatric Palliative Medicine. He has been awarded FRCGP, an honorary FRCPCH and in 2014, an MBE.

Sister Frances Dominica



Sister Frances Dominica trained as a nurse at the Hospital for Sick Children Great Ormond Street and the Middlesex Hospital before joining the Society of All Saints, an Anglican Religious Community in Oxford. She was elected Mother Superior for twelve years and continues as a sister. She founded Helen House, the world's first children's hospice, which opened in 1982 and, in 2004, Douglas House, the first hospice for young people to the age of 35. Sister Frances is a trustee of The Porch which offers day-long support for homeless people. She is a Deputy Lieutenant of the County of Oxfordshire, and has received Honorary Degrees from four universities. She was awarded an OBE in 2006, and received the Woman of the Year Award in 2007.

Dr Regina Okhuysen-Cawley



Dr Regina Okhuysen-Cawley is a paediatrician in Houston, Texas and is affiliated with Texas Children's Hospital. She received her medical degree from Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara and has been in practice for more than 20 years. Having grown up in a resource-limited environment, and having witnessed much avoidable suffering and preventable deaths, she is passionate about health care delivery to the critically ill and early integration of palliative medicine for children with serious illnesses.

Dr M-C Bouésseau



Dr Marie-Charlotte Bouésseau is Adviser at the Department of Service Delivery and Safety at the World Health Organization in Geneva. Since 1995, her activities have been focused on questions of global public health and bioethics. In November 2002 Dr. Bouésseau joined the World Health Organization, in Geneva, for the creation of the Ethics and Health Unit established by the Director General. Within the WHO framework on Integrated People Centered Health Services, she leads a number of initiatives related to palliative care, ethical donation and use of medical products of human origin, genomics and global health. The common goal of these initiatives is to promote respectful and quality of health care using innovative approaches and ensuring the active engagement of the patients and their communities.

Prof Danai Papadatou



Professor Danai Papadatou is a Professor of Clinical Psychology at the National and Kapodistrian University in Athens, Greece. Her clinical experience, research interests, and publications focus on issues related to paediatric palliative care, childhood and family bereavement, health care professionals' responses to death and community trauma. Her most recent book is entitled: In the Face of Death: Professionals who Care for the Dying and the Bereaved. She is the cofounder and president of "Merimna", a non-governmental association for the care of children and families facing illness and death.

Dr Michelle Meiring



Dr Michelle Meiring is a Paediatrician with a special interest in Palliative Care and Chronic Pain Management. She is the Founding Director of Paedspal, an NGO that provides a paediatric palliative care service to public and private patients in Cape Town, South Africa. Academically she convenes the Post-Graduate Diploma in Paediatric Palliative Medicine at the University of Cape Town. An active advocate, Dr Meiring chairs PatchSA (the South African Children's Palliative Care Network) and is engaged in policy making nationally.

Dr Ana Lacerda



Dr Ana Lacerda is a paediatric oncologist working in Lisbon, Portugal with a very special interest in the implementation and development of paediatric palliative care (PPC) in her country. While completing an MSc degree in Palliative Care at King's College London/ Cicely Saunders Institute she begun raising awareness about the unmet needs of Portuguese children and families. She coordinates the PPC Task forces at the Portuguese Association of Palliative Care and the Portuguese Paediatric Society, is a founding member of the Portuguese Observatory of PC and works closely with the Ministry of Health, while teaching PPC at Nova Medical School. She is also a member of the EAPC Paediatric Task force.

Dr Neil McKerrow



Dr Neil McKerrow is the Head: Paediatrics and Child Health for KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa) and therefore responsible for health services for children across the province. His interests include child health, health systems and social paediatrics.



Dr Pat Carragher

Dr Pat Carragher has been the Medical Director for Children’s Hospice Association Scotland since 2006. He was also lead doctor at Rachel House (children’s hospice) from 1996 to 2006. Since 2012 he has been Chair of the Association of Paediatric Palliative Medicine. He is Chair of the Scottish Children’s and Young People’s Palliative Care Network, and an executive member of the Scottish

Children’s and Young People’s Executive (SCYPPEX), which has developed a national children’s resuscitation policy, as well as a Framework for the Delivery of Palliative Care for Children and Young People in Scotland. In 2013, he was elected as a Fellow of the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health.



Kelly du Plessis

Kelly du Plessis is the CEO and Founder of Rare Diseases South Africa. The mother of two children, one with Pompe disease, she has taken patient advocacy to new heights in this country, raising awareness of the need for treatment and access to appropriate treatment for patients with rare diseases. She was awarded the African Leadership Award for health care in 2016, launched RareX, the first Rare Disease conference in Africa and has also implemented International Rare Disease Day in South Africa.

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Linda Ganca

Linda Ganca lectures and convenes the palliative care undergraduate programme at the University of Cape Town (UCT) Faculty of Health Sciences within the School of Public Health and Family Medicine. She has a background in Education and Social Work. She also teaches and co-facilitates in the palliative medicine postgraduate diploma course and supervises MPhil students. Linda has a

keen interest in research with focus on qualitative methods. Linda is passionate about children and works closely with ICPCN, PatchSA and Paedspal.



Huyaan Samuels

Huyaan Samuels is a 19-year-old who lives in Cape Town, South Africa. She has been diagnosed with a rare medical condition and suffers chronic pain, for which she is on daily medication. She is the Youth Ambassador for PatchSA (Palliative Treatment and Care for Children) and says, “I am extremely passionate about Children’s Palliative Care as I believe it is an essential and crucial part of living and giving children a chance to live

life and not just exist. They - the children from all around the world - need a voice and to be given a chance to be heard. I am honoured to be that voice on behalf of all those who are unable to speak out. I can represent them passionately, honestly and wholeheartedly.” She is currently a volunteer with the World Hospice Palliative Care Alliance (WHPCA).

Programme includes SA premiere of the film
Hippocratic: 18 Experiments in Gently Shaking the World
featuring Dr MR Rajagopal



We warmly welcome you to join us in Durban!