

## Call for Abstracts to Present at a Men's Health Symposium

### ‘A New Chapter: Healthy Ireland - Men’

**Date:** Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016

**Time:** 10.00am - 3.00pm

**Venue:** Dr Steevens' Hospital, Dublin

**Background to this Symposium:** Ireland was the first country in the world to adopt a National Men's Health Policy, and other countries are now building upon the pioneering spirit and practical learning from the Irish experience. The term of this Policy ended in 2013, and was followed by an extensive independent review of its impact. This review recommended that the momentum and progress which had already been achieved should be continued, and that future work should align itself closely to the 'Healthy Ireland' framework for action.

**Aim of Symposium:** This Symposium will be used to launch the new Action Plan (titled: 'Healthy Ireland - Men 2017-2021') which will succeed Ireland's National Men's Health Policy. It will also offer delegates an opportunity to:

- Understand the background to and content of the Action Plan.
- Participate in short workshops which highlight examples of effective practice throughout Ireland.
- Find out about current local research into men's health.
- Hear from an internationally recognised speaker on men's health issues (*to be confirmed*).

**Call for Abstracts:** The organisers are inviting anyone involved in new men's health and wellbeing research to submit an abstract for a presentation which can be featured in a '3-in-3' session. During this session, each presenter will be asked to speak about their research for a maximum of three minutes using three PowerPoint slides for illustration. This will then be followed by questions from the audience. Abstracts can focus upon any new research into men's health and wellbeing which is currently being undertaken in Ireland. The abstract should be no longer than 200 words in length, and be accompanied by your name, position, organisation / institution, and contact details.

**Submission of Abstracts:** The closing date for submissions is 5.00pm on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016. Notification of acceptance will be issued by no later than Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2016. Please note that there are only a small number slots available for presentation of research at this event. However, anyone who is not selected to present orally will be invited to put-up an A3 size poster on their work. Participants in the Symposium will be encouraged to view these posters during breaks in the programme.

Abstracts should be sent via email to Colin Fowler from the Men's Health Forum in Ireland (MHFI) at: [colin@mhfi.org](mailto:colin@mhfi.org) Any queries about the presentations should also be sent to this email address.