

INCLUSION IRELAND



National Association for People with an Intellectual Disability

INCLUSION IRELAND AGM & ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2010

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Theme:

“Different Times, Different Thinking

- addressing the challenges of an economic downturn for people with an intellectual disability and their families”

Friday & Saturday 23rd & 24th April 2010

Malton Hotel, Killarney, Co. Kerry

Features:

Debate with a Panel of TDs, including Disability Minister John Moloney TD. This debate will be chaired by Eamon Keane from *Lunchtime on Newstalk*;

Keynote address from Tom Collins, Dean of Teaching and Learning, NUI Maynooth, on the future of disability services;

Workshops on alternative funding, alternative respite, a different approach to speech and language therapy and wills and trust funds;

Parents initiatives - presentations from parents who found alternatives ways of succeeding;

Presentation of the Media, Advocacy and John Ryan Awards;

For more conference details go to www.inclusionireland.ie

Different Times, Different Thinking

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Services for people with an intellectual disability in Ireland are experiencing many challenges as the current economic climate has forced service providers to look at maximising reduced funding allocations and to look at new alternatives and innovative ways of providing services to people with a disability. This conference will look at rethinking how services are provided and at alternative means of ensuring people are supported to realise their greatest potential.

This conference will cover:

- Alternative ways of providing services;
- Alternative funding;
- Making a will, including trust funds;
- Alternative ways of providing respite;
- A different approach to speech and language therapy;

About Inclusion Ireland:

Inclusion Ireland is a national voluntary organisation working to promote the rights of people with an intellectual disability in Ireland to ensure their full and equal participation in society. Founded in 1961 (as namhi), Inclusion Ireland is now an umbrella body for over 160 organisations.

Conference Programme — Friday 23rd April

5pm	Registration
6pm	Welcome, Mayor of Killarney, Cllr. Michael Gleeson
6.05pm	Introduction of the Board of Inclusion Ireland
6.10pm	Address, William Shorten, Inclusion Ireland Chairperson
6.20pm	Official Opening, Minister for Equality, Disability and Mental Health, John Moloney TD
6.30pm	Debate with a Panel of TDs, who speak for their Party nationally on disability issues. Questions will be taken from the floor. Chairperson: Eamon Keane (presents <i>Lunchtime</i> on Newstalk) Politicians: Minister John Moloney (FF); David Stanton TD (FG); Kathleen Lynch TD (Labour); Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin (SF); with a participant from the Green Party to be confirmed.

For speakers biographies and more conference details go to
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Conference Programme — Saturday 24th April

8.30am	Registration
9.30am	Opening of Meeting by Inclusion Ireland Chairperson, William Shorten
9.35am	AGM General Business
9.50am	Report of Inclusion Ireland CEO, Deirdre Carroll
10.05am	Presentation and Debate on Resolutions
11am	Tea/Coffee Break
11.20am	Key Note Address - 'Different Times, Different Thinking': Tom Collins Tom Collins, Dean of Teaching and Learning, NUI Maynooth, will address how services for people with a disability will emerge from the recession Followed by Discussion with the Speaker
12.25pm	Presentation of Media and Advocacy Awards
12.45pm	Lunch
2pm	Workshops: Alternative funding – moving with changing times: Facilitated by Seamus Greene of the 'Taking Control' group, self-advocate Kevin Stack, and Alison Ouellette, a Canadian mother who is an activist, advocate and author of the book 'A Place Called Home'. Alternative Respite - one of our greatest needs: Facilitated by Pauline Conroy who has researched alternative forms of respite in Ireland and abroad, and Bernie Fay who runs the successful 'Share a Break' and 'Room to Share' respite programmes in Muiriosa. Speech and language therapy - a different approach: Facilitated by Tara Cunningham who founded 'Release' and Margaret Shanley, a parent who has worked with 'Release'. 'Release' is an award winning not for profit speech and language therapy social enterprise, with a focus on empowering parents to best work with their child. Wills, trust funds and capacity – essential information: Facilitated by barrister Mary Gordon, Inclusion Ireland Training and Development Officer Sarah Lennon and self-advocate Beverly Smith.
3.10pm	Inauguration of new Chairperson
3.15pm	Parents Initiatives - Alternative Ways of Succeeding: Presentations from Avril Webster who publishes the 'Off We Go' series of books, and Margaret Trundle, who has successfully run a summer school in Midleton, Co. Cork for over 20 years.
3.30pm	Open Forum
4pm	Close of Conference and AGM
7.30pm	Reception
8pm	Gala Dinner Dance and Presentation of the John Ryan Award

BOOKING FORM

Note:

This form is for Registration for the AGM & Conference 2010 & Dinner Dance ONLY – hotel bedrooms should be booked separately by phoning 064-6638004. There is a lower room rate of €95 for a single room, €135 for a double room and €195 for a triple room, for delegates at this conference;

Cost:

€50 fee for AGM & Conference for Inclusion Ireland Members. Fee includes lunch on Saturday, teas and coffees and conference materials. Non-Members fee for AGM & Conference is €100. A limited number of bursaries are available for people with a disability and families who wish to attend.

€45 fee for Gala Dinner Dance for both Members and non-Members. Fee includes 3 course dinner and entertainment.

WORKSHOPS

Name:	
Name of organisation, if any:	
Address:	
Telephone No:	
Mobile No.:	
E-mail address:	
Please indicate dietary or access needs:	

Please tick your first choice of workshop. You may only tick one choice. Please note if you do not tick a choice, or if your choice is no longer available, Inclusion Ireland will assign you to a workshop. Details of the workshops are on the previous page.



Alternative Funding	
Alternative Respite	
A Different Approach to Speech and Language Therapy	
Wills, Trust Funds and Capacity	

Please tick the below box if you will be attending the Dinner Dance on Saturday 24th April.



Attending Dinner Dance?	
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