

National Research Ethics Committee Meeting

23rd March 2004

1st Session Moderator: Dr. Margaret Fitzgerald

- 9.00am to 9.30am Registration and Coffee
- 9.30am to 10.00am **Overview of National Situation Regarding Ethics Committees** **Prof. Cecily Kelleher**
Dept. of Public Health
Medicine & Epidemiology
- 10.00am to 10.30am **Overview of International Best Practice** **Dr. Siobhán O'Sullivan**
Scientific Director of the
Irish Council for Bioethics
- 10.30am to 10.50am Questions
- 10.50am to 11.00am Divide into Break out groups/Coffee
- 11.00am to 12.15pm **Break Out Groups to discuss:**
- Human Research Ethics Committees**
- Composition/Appointment of Members
 - Review Process
 - Decision/Appeal Process
 - Archiving Procedures
 - Multi-Centre Research
 - Funding
- 12.15pm to 1.15pm **Lunch**

2nd Session Moderator: Prof. Cecily Kelleher

- 1.30pm to 2.10pm **Implications of the Clinical Trials Directive for Ethics Committees** **Dr. Stephanie Harcourt**
Dept. of Health, Social
Services & Public Safety NI
- 2.10pm to 2.20pm Questions
- 2.20pm to 2.45pm **Proposals for the implementation of the Clinical Trials Directive with Respect to Ethics Committees** **Dr Tom McGuinn**
Chief Pharmacist Dept.
of Health
- 2.45pm to 3.15pm Discussion