

## General Adult & Old Age Psychiatry Faculty Conference 2026

Thursday, 2 April | Stirling Court Hotel

Morning Programme: Chaired by Dr Vivek Pattan	
09:10 – 09:25	Arrival / Registration
09:25 – 09:30	Welcome and introduction from the Chair
09:30 – 09:45	<u>Trainee Presentation 1</u>
09:45 – 10:20	<b>Memory Services National Accreditation Programme (MSNAP)</b> Jemini Jethwa, Programme Manager and Holly Hunter-Brown, Deputy Programme Manager, MSNAP, The Royal College of Psychiatrists
10:20 – 11:00	<b>Umbrella review of antidepressants, is there a controversy on their effectiveness?</b> Dr Sameer Jauhar, Reader in Affective Disorders and Psychosis. Department of Psychological Medicine, Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Neuroscience, King's College. London. Consultant Psychiatrist - SLAM Trust
11:00 – 11:20	Comfort Break-Poster viewing
11:20 – 11:35	<u>Trainee Presentation 2</u>
11:35 – 12:15	<b>Dementia drug treatment-past, present and future. Should we give up on the Amyloid Pathway?</b> Dr Rob Howard, Professor of Old Age Psychiatry, Mental Health of Older People, Division of Psychiatry, University College London
12:15 – 12:40	<b>Election Year Engagement: RCPsych in Scotland's Role - How We Represented and Supported Our Members During this Election Year</b> Dr Pavan Srireddy, Vice Chair, RCPsychiS and Dr Jim Crabb, Policy Lead, RCPsychiS
12:40 – 13:30	Lunch
Afternoon Programme: Chaired by Dr Alastair Cook	
13:30 – 14:00	<b>Psychiatric genetic screening and modelling of neuropsychiatric disorders</b> Dr Mandy Johnstone
14:00 – 14:40	<b>A Rough Guide to Chairing a SAER</b> Dr Brian Gillatt, Consultant Forensic Psychiatrist, NHS GG&C
14:40 – 15:10	<b>RAPID FIRE poster presentations - Poster room</b>
15:10 – 15:25	Comfort Break
15:25 – 16:05	<b>Understanding CT brain scan reports and when and how to seek specialist Neuro-radiologist advice</b> Dr Gerard Thompson, Honorary Consultant in Neuroradiology, NHS Lothian and Senior Clinical Lecturer in Radiology, University of Edinburgh
16:05 – 16:50	<b>Debate: Is General Adult Psychiatry at a Crossroads?</b> Chaired by: Dr Jane Morris, Chair, RCPsych in Scotland Dr Alastair Cook, Past Principal Medical Officer Psychiatry, Scottish Government Dr Alastair Palin, Past Chair of Medical Managers Group for Psychiatry and MD for NHSG Mental Health and LD services

16:50 – 17:00	Close and Prizes
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