Faculty of Old Age Psychiatry Annual Conference

Dates: Thursday 11 and Friday 12 March 2027
Venue: In-person (Edinburgh) / Live-streamed via EventsAir

Day one – Thursday 11 March 2027			
Time	**Session**		
8.00am – 9.20am	**Delegate registration** (in-person attendees only)		
9.20am	**Welcome and introductions** Dr Mohan Bhat, Consultant Psychiatrist, Kent and Medway NHS Trust, and Chair, Faculty of Old Age Psychiatry		
09.30am	**Opening keynote** Maree Todd MSP, Minister for Mental Wellbeing, Public Health, Sport, Alcohol and Drugs, Scottish Government		
10.00am	**NHS Dementia Challenge** Andy Hill, UK Research & Innovation, Challenge Director - NHS Fit for the Future		
10.30am	**The national picture from Scotland** Henry Simmons, Chief Executive, Alzheimers Scotland		
10.50am	Q and A		
11.05am	**Morning refreshments | Poster viewing | Exhibition (parallel sessions)**		
11.35am	**Bipolar concordance** Professor Martha Sajatovic, Professor of Psychiatry and of Neurology, Willard Brown Chair in Neurological Outcomes Research, Cleveland, Ohio	**Dementia Care Pathway** Hebah Bhatt and Dr Laura-Louise Arundell, NCCMH project team	**Health inequalities of ethnic elders accessing memory services** Dr Mohan Bhat, Dr Hari Subramaniam, Dr Sujoy Mukerjee
12.35pm	**Lunch | Poster viewing | Exhibition**		
1.35pm	**Anxiety disorders in older people** Professor Andrea Iaboni, Department of Psychiatry, University of Toronto		
2.15pm	**Bipolar disorder in later life** Professor Martha Sajatovic, Professor of Psychiatry and of Neurology, Willard Brown		

	Chair in Neurological Outcomes Research, Cleveland, Ohio
2.55pm	Q and A
3.10pm	**Afternoon refreshments | Poster viewing | Exhibition**
3.40pm	**Neuroimaging vascular disease** Professor Joanna Wardlaw, The University of Edinburgh
4.15pm	**Discussion and Q and A**
4.35pm	**Perspectives on MCI** Dr Farooq Khan
5.10pm	**Q&A**
5.15pm	**Lifetime achievement award – presentation and response**
5.30pm	**Closing comments** **End of day one**
5.30pm-6.30pm	**Drinks reception – all delegates welcome**
7.15pm	**Conference party (additional ticketed event)**

Day two – Friday 12 March 2027

Time	Session
8.00am – 9.30am	**Delegate registration** (in-person attendees only)
08.00am-08.30am	**Satellite sessions**
09.00am	**Welcome, introductions and Faculty Business Meeting** Dr Mohan Bhat, Faculty Chair and Dr Ben Underwood, Faculty Vice-Chair
09.20am	**Faculty scholars**
09.45am	**Translating evidence into practice** Dr Tom Russ, NHS Research Scotland Clinical Lead for Neuroprogressive and Dementia Research

10.25am	**Learning from using disease targeting treatments in Alzheimers Disease** Dr Richard Perry, Consultant neurologist, Imperial College Healthcare		
11.05am	**Q and A**		
11.15am	**Morning refreshments | Poster viewing | Exhibition**		
11.45pm	**Parallel sessions - a choice of 3**		
	Clozapine in BPSD Professor Andrea Iaboni	**Poster presentations and Essay winner - short presentations**	**Poetry and Dementia** Katey Warran and Olivia Turner *This session is not being livestreamed*
12.45pm	**Lunch | Poster viewing | Exhibition**		
1.45pm	**UK Dementia Research Institute at the University of Edinburgh** Professor Tara Spires-Jones		
2.15pm	**Learning from Lothian cohort study** Professor Simon Cox, Professor of Brain and Cognitive Ageing		
2.45pm	**Q and A**		
2.55pm	**Afternoon refreshments | Poster viewing | Exhibition**		
3.20pm	**Late onset psychosis** Professor Rob Howard		
3.55pm	**RCPsych ABN guidelines on Biomarkers** Dr Jemma Hazan		
4.15pm	**Q and A**		
4.30pm	**Close of conference**		

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