

ANNUAL TRAVELLER MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION & AWARENESS DAY

15 October 2025
9:30AM - 3:30PM
Meadowlands Hotel, Tralee, Co. Kerry

co-hosted by

Kerry Travellers Health and Community Development Project

and

College of Psychiatrists of Ireland

Following a successful first education and awareness day last year, the aim of the day is to provide valuable insights for all in attendance through learning, discussion on and interactive exploration of serious mental health difficulties.

Each session will include two short presentations, one by a member of the Traveller Community and one by a College member, table discussion and Q&A with panel.

Approved by CPsychI for 5 Accredited Continuing Education Credits

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PROGRAMME

8:45	**REGISTRATION**
9:30	**OPENING ADDRESSES**
	Ms Mary Butler, TD, Minister of State for Mental Health
	Ms Brigid Quilligan, CEO, KTHCDP
9:45	**OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF CPSYCHI POSITION PAPER**
	Dr Lorcan Martin, CPsychI, College President & General Adult Consultant Psychiatrist
10:20	**SESSION ONE: Substance Use and Misuse**
10:20	**Mr Andy Walker**, Health Team Coordinator, KTHCDP
10:30	**Professor Bobby Smyth**, CPsychI, Consultant Psychiatrist in Addictions
10:40	**Panel Discussion and Q&A**
11:00	**SESSION TWO: Mental Health Difficulties**
11:00	**Ms Christina O'Brien Boland**, Social Innovation Coordinator, KTHCDP
11:10	**Dr Henry Roberts**, CPsychI, General Adult Psychiatry, Senior Registrar
11:20	**Panel Discussion and Q&A**
11:55	**SESSION THREE: Suicide**
11:55	**Ms Mary Boyne**, Family Support Coordinator, KTHCDP
12:05	**Dr Lorcan Martin,** CPsychI, College President & General Adult Consultant Psychiatrist
12:15	**Panel Discussion and Q&A**
12:45	**LUNCH**
2:00	**ART FORM PRESENTATION** (TBC)
2:20	**SESSION FOUR: Eating Disorders**
2:20	**Ms Brigid Quilligan,** CEO, KTHCDP
2:30	**Dr Eimear O'Neill**, CPsychI, Child and Adolescent Consultant Psychiatrist
2:40	**Panel Discussion and Q&A**
3:15	**SESSION FIVE: Panel discussion and Q&A with general panel**
3:30	**CLOSING ADDRESS**