

# **INTERDEM MEMBERS – BRIEF CURRICULUM VITAE**

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PRESENT POSITION: GP & Lecturer in General Practice

HIGHEST ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION: MB BCh BAO (Medical Degree), MD recently submitted

#### PROFILE OF MEMBER:

Tony is a GP and is a Lecturer in the Department of General Practice in University College Cork. He is a GP Trainer and is Co-convener of the clinical skills examination for the Irish College of General Practitioners.

Tony's interests include dementia care and interprofessional education. He has been the lead for a government-funded, community-based dementia project, Kinsale Community Response to Dementia (KCoRD) which developed individualized services and supports for over 100 people living with dementia - http://www.collage-ireland.eu/initiatives/specific-action-group-members/centers-involved/.

He was formally a member of the expert working group for the development of Ireland's National Dementia Strategy and is currently a member of the National Dementia Strategy Programme Implementation Board.

Tony is Principal Investigator for PREPARED (Primary Care Education, Pathways & Research of Dementia), a 3-year national primary care dementia project, arising from Ireland's National Dementia Strategy. PREPARED aims to support GPs and allied healthcare professionals in their delivery of integrated dementia care in the community - <a href="https://www.ucc.ie/en/gp/research/">https://www.ucc.ie/en/gp/research/</a>. To date over 500 GPs and 200 allied healthcare professionals have attended PREPARED dementia workshops. A dementia website has also been launched <a href="https://www.dementiapathways.ie">www.dementiapathways.ie</a> to support healthcare professionals working in the community setting.

He is a member of the Scientific Advisory Panel of the The Alzheimer Society of Ireland. He is the author of a dementia reference guide for the Irish College of General Practitioners and has led the development of a dementia e-learning programme for GPs.

Tony has recently completed an MD focusing on the design, implementation and evaluation of an intervention to improve the quality of dementia care in General Practice.

**AREAS OF EXPERTISE:** Dementia care, general practice, primary care, medical education

# **KEY PUBLICATIONS (Max. 5):**

Jennings A, Boyle S, **Foley T**. The development and evaluation of an online dementia resource for primary care health professionals. Internet Interventions. 2018 Jan 16

**Foley T**, Jennings A, Boyle S, Smithson WH. The development and evaluation of peer-facilitated dementia workshops in general practice. Education for Primary Care. 2018 Jan 2;29(1):27-34.

Jennings AA, **Foley T**, McHugh S, Browne JP, Bradley CP. "Working away in that Grey Area..." A qualitative exploration of the challenges general practitioners experience when managing behavioural and psychological symptoms of dementia. Age and ageing. 2017 Dec 6:1-9.

**Foley T**, Boyle S, Jennings A, Smithson WH. "We're certainly not in our comfort zone": a qualitative study of GPs' dementia-care educational needs. BMC family practice. 2017 Dec;18(1):66.

Dyer AH, **Foley T**, O'Shea B, Kennelly SP. Cognitive assessment of older adults in general practice: the collateral history. Irish Journal of Medical Science. 2017 Dec 2:1-5.

## **RELEVANT RESEARCH ACTIVITY:**

Project	Funding Body	End Date	End date	Award
Principal Investigator: Primary Care Education, Pathways and Research of Dementia (PREPARED)	Irish Health Service Executive & Atlantic Philanthropies	May 2015	March 2019	€1,084,148.00
Lead: Kinsale Community Response to Dementia (KCoRD)	Irish Health Service Executive & Atlantic Philanthropies	Sep 2012	Sep 2015	€630,000.00

# **CURRENT RESEARCH INTERESTS/ONGOING PROJECT TITLE:**

- Principal Investigator for PREPARED (Primary Care Education, Pathways & Research of Dementia)

### HOW DO YOU INTEND TO CONTRIBUTE TO INTERDEM:

I have 20 years of clinical experience, working in the community as a GP. I am also actively involved in both undergraduate and postgraduate medical education with a variety of healthcare disciplines. I intend to contribute to Interdem by linking closely with colleagues and hope to forge synergistic, multidisciplinary collaborations with fellow researchers across Europe.

Dr Tony Foley 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018