

## **Suicide Prevention Research Impact Network – Northern Ireland (SPRIN-NI)**

The following information provides outline of the network aims and terms and conditions, for prospective network members.

The network has received seed funding from Ulster University and Queen's University Belfast through research impact funds. Core funding will be sought for sustainability of the Network.

Aims and purpose of SPRIN-NI:

1. To provide a communication channel to link academics, community sector, policy makers and those in professional practice with an interest in self-harm and suicide prevention.
2. To bring together existing expertise within suicide prevention and self-harm research, in order to work as effectively as possible.
3. To ensure research efforts are strategically targeted and implemented effectively, according to the needs of those directly affected.
4. To connect and collaborate with international researchers focused on self-harm and suicide prevention
5. To sustain capacity building through developing Early Career Researchers to become experts in suicide and self-harm research.
6. To support evidence-based suicide prevention training for practitioners
7. To support suicide prevention policy and practice in the workplace
8. To support evaluation and quality improvement practices
9. To create a collaborative voice, that can help to communicate the priorities to the newly established cross-departmental Mental Health Working Group in NI Assembly
10. To encourage relevant and timely evidence-based policy development and implementation.

### **Organisational Structure of SPRIN-NI**

The network will be formed of a core Network Development Group (NDG) that will represent the academic, CVSE and statutory sectors as well as professional bodies with an interest in self-harm and suicide prevention. Two co-Chairs will direct activities of the NDG, with these positions being rotated on a bi-annual basis or as required due to other commitments.

### **Proposed Activities of SPRIN-NI**

The network will provide a conduit for researchers to connect by regularly communicating with members about research opportunities and needs. The network will also host events to disseminate and discuss research findings and opportunities, providing a source for sharing accessible information for members and interested academics, practitioners and policy makers.

### **Draft Network Membership Ts&Cs**

Please read the terms and conditions below. By becoming a member, you accept these terms and conditions and agree to act in accordance with them. If you do not agree to these terms, do not register as a member. If you have any concerns about membership terms and conditions please contact a co-Chair before completing your registration.

## **The Network: Suicide Prevention Research Impact Network, Northern Ireland (SPRIN-NI)**

### 1. How to become a Network member

To become a member you need to submit your details via the online membership form. [Link]

You are required to complete all the main fields and may choose to provide additional optional information.

Membership will be granted and the Network member agrees to abide by these conditions. Members who do not abide by the conditions may have their membership revoked or suspended at the discretion of the Network Development Group.

Membership of the Network does not imply endorsement of the Network member or any products, services or research conducted by the Network member

Membership of the Network is at all times subject to the approval of the Network Development Group.

If you wish to terminate your membership you should contact the Co-Chair. If the email address you provide during the registration process becomes invalid and emails sent to you by the Network Manager result in a Delivery Notification Status (failure) response, your membership will be considered to have lapsed and your details will be deleted from the searchable directory of members.

You are responsible for ensuring that the information stored in your profile is up to date.

### 2. Data Management

All data provided by the Network members will be processed in accordance with data protection legislation.

Network members agree that the Network Development Group may share data provided by the Network members with other Network members, and other similar organisations at the Network Development Group's discretion for the purpose of promoting and enabling the work of the Network.

The SPRIN-NI network encourages professional connections and this is a primary purpose of the Network.

#### **In choosing to submit your personal data, you understand and agree that this data will be:**

Your information will be used to facilitate Network membership; to keep you up to date by email with relevant Network activities and opportunities. Your information will be stored on Queen's University's secure networks.

Please see our privacy notice for further details.

### 3. Your interactions with other Network members

As a Network member, you will be able to request other member's contact details, with a view to exchanging research ideas and establishing research consortia to respond to funding opportunities in the research areas of self-harm and suicide prevention.

You do not have permission to use contact details obtained from the member's directory to send unsolicited emails for the purpose of direct marketing.

Any personal contact details shared as part of network activities should not be passed to third parties. Access to other Network member details is for the single purpose of building critical mass and enabling research consortia to respond to funding opportunities in the research area of self-harm and suicide prevention.

Content shared through the website will be subject to copyright. Please consider the intellectual property rights contained in works which are created by us or on our behalf. For example, permissions are required to modify the paper or digital copies of any materials you have printed off or downloaded and you must not use any illustrations, photographs or graphics separately from any accompanying text. You must acknowledge the source of any material downloaded or printed from the Network website.

Research data generated as a result of Network collaborations will be made available with as few restrictions as possible in a timely and responsible manner to the scientific and intersectoral community for subsequent research and application to practice.

The Network aims include responsibility to enable the optimal and successful application of the outcomes of the excellent research it helps to facilitate and must ensure the widest benefit to society and the economy both within and beyond Northern Ireland.

#### **In becoming a member you understand and agree that:**

You will not use any Network resources for any purposes which are unlawful or harmful.

The Network is bound by the terms of the UK Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) or such later revisions of the Act and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004. All information and communications generated by and for the Network may be subject to public disclosure under the FOIA, and that the Network shall have no liability whatsoever to you arising from any disclosure of information it is required to make under the FOIA.

### 4. Attending Network events

As a Network member you will be informed of Network workshops and events. In becoming a member you understand and agree that:

Being informed of an event does not constitute confirmation that a place has been awarded to you. Places may be limited depending on capacity and will be issued on a first come first served basis.

In the event that you are successful in your application to attend a Network event, you will receive a confirmatory email upon the award of your place followed by full attendance details which will be made available in advance of the event.

Network members may be able to apply for the travel, accommodation and subsistence costs incurred to enable them to attend a Network event. More details will be provided for specific events.

#### 5. Updates to terms and conditions

The Network may revise these terms and conditions of membership at any time. We will post a notification of any changes we make on the website and notify you by email. You will have the option to terminate your membership if you do not agree with future changes to terms and conditions.

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