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# A spotlight on sepsis in infants and children

## What is the session about?

- An overview of paediatric sepsis for clinicians, carers and parents.
- A parents' guide to the Emergency Department - when to go and what to expect?
- How to reduce the risk of sepsis?
- An overview of the resources for clinicians, carers and parents



### Dr Martina Healy

**HSE National Clinical Lead for Critical Care**

Martina was appointed as Consultant in Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin in 2000 and has been a strong advocate for the development of Paediatric Intensive Care services in Ireland. She was the National Clinical Lead for Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) and led the HSE Steering Group for the Model of Care in PICU who published the first Model of Care for PICU in Ireland.

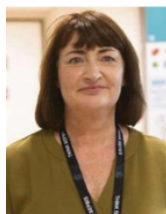
In 2018 she was appointed National Clinical Lead for Sepsis where she led the development and implementation of the National Paediatric Sepsis Guideline within the acute paediatric healthcare setting in Ireland. Her focus centred on guideline implementation encompassing sepsis education for both clinical staff and the public. Martina was appointed National Clinical Lead for Critical Care in 2023 and she continues to advise the National Sepsis Programme on the early recognition and management of sepsis in children. She is also an Associate Professor.



### Dr Turlough Bolger

**Consultant in Paediatric Emergency Medicine**

Turlough is a consultant in Paediatric Emergency Medicine in Children's Health Ireland at Tallaght since 2009. He is dual qualified as a paediatrician and GP and is a fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland since 2019. He was the former president of the Irish Paediatric Association from 2017-2019.



### Nuala Clarke

**Group Sepsis Lead ADON for Children's Health Ireland (CHI)**

Nuala is the Hospital Group, Assistant Director of Nursing for Sepsis in Children's Health Ireland and works as a member of the National Sepsis Team.

Her main objective is to drive the implementation of the National Paediatric Sepsis Guideline through multi-disciplinary collaboration, education development, audit, quality improvement initiatives and raising awareness with the aim of improving outcomes from sepsis in children.



### Dr Cilian Ó Maoldomhnaigh

**Paediatric Infectious Diseases Consultant**

Cilian is a Paediatric Infectious Disease Consultant working in Children's Health Ireland. He has completed clinical fellowships in Paediatric Infectious diseases in Children's

Health Ireland, Crumlin and Hassenfeld Children's Hospital, New York and was awarded a PhD from Trinity for work performed on neonatal TB responses in the Keane lab in the Trinity Translational Medicine Institute.

## Co-hosts



**Dr John Fitzsimons**, Clinical Director with the National Quality and Patient Safety Directorate and Consultant Paediatrician at Children's Health Ireland at Temple Street.



**Juanita Guidera**, Programme Manager - Staff Engagement for Quality with the National Quality and Patient Safety Directorate.

## National Quality and Patient Safety Directorate

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