

IRGH CONFERENCE 2011

'Our education programme at IRGH is of paramount importance, and we are delighted to be able to share best practice and learn from specialists in the field of palliative care at our annual conference. This knowledge sharing is more important than ever in a changing world of increased partnership working.'

'For us, as a newly merged organisation offering specialist care to patients diagnosed with life-limiting illness and the family members who support them, this knowledge-sharing is vital.'

'One of our aims is to extend our services further to patients with life-limiting illnesses other than cancer. By working together we believe we can achieve this – and we thank you for your support and continued commitment to better care for more people.'

Robert Breakwell,
Chief Executive, IRGH



Robert Breakwell, Sue Varvel (IRGH Director of Nursing & Clinical Services) and Mark Lister (IRGH Deputy Chief Executive)



But don't take our word for it! Here's what previous attendees said:

'I have been to several IRGH conferences, and they are always excellent and meet my objectives.'

'An excellent and informative day – very thought-provoking.'

'Well-organised and efficiently-managed day – thank you!'

'Lots of things to take back to the work place – conversation will continue on the way home.'

'Time passed very quickly – an indication of excellent speakers who made complex subjects simpler!'

Iain Rennie Grove House Hospice Care

IRHH and Grove House integrated patient services in April 2010, giving 100 more patients access to 24/7 call-out nursing care in the first 12 months of partnership working.

The two charities have now merged to create a new charity: Iain Rennie Grove House Hospice Care (IRGH).

The combined organisation exists to provide care and support to patients with life-limiting illness throughout the Chilterns area of Buckinghamshire and the St Albans, Harpenden and Dacorum districts of Hertfordshire.

Our services are tailored to the individual's needs: whether supporting patients through treatment to full recovery – or ensuring a patient can receive the best possible end of life care in the place of their choice.

IRGH will support more than 2,000 patients and their families each year, and our developing services include:

- information at point of diagnosis and throughout illness
- day hospice facilities
- hospice at home service with specialist nursing on a 24/7 call-out basis
- complementary therapies for patients and carers
- support for family members following diagnosis, during the illness and after their relative has died
- occupational therapy
- Cancer The Next Step – an 8 week programme to help newly-diagnosed patients through the physical and emotional effects of cancer

All services remain completely free of charge to patients and their families, and referrals can be made in exactly the same way. We continue to work closely with the patient's family, their GP and District Nurse, and alongside all the other services that may be involved in providing care.

Thank you for attending our conference and we look forward to working with you in the coming years to provide better care for more people.

Terms and conditions for the 2011 'early bird' offer

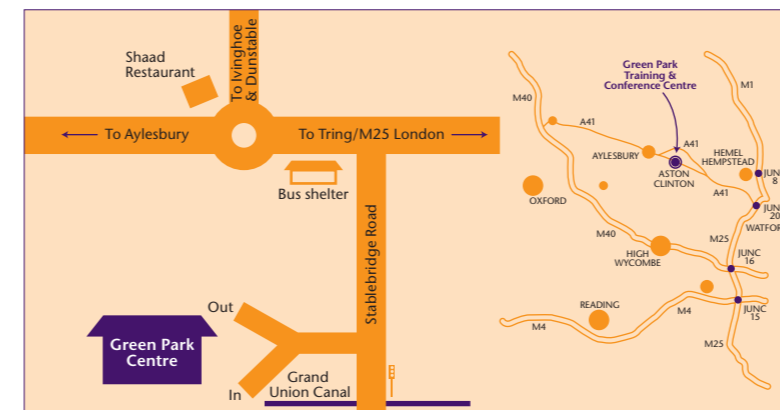
To qualify for the £15 reduction in ticket price from £75 to £60 (VAT exempt):

- 1 Your completed registration form must be received at our Tring office on or before 22nd July 2011
- 2 Online applications via our Web site, www.irhh.org/conference, must be completed and submitted by 5pm on 22nd July 2011
- 3 Provided one of the above conditions is met, the £15 reduction will apply to each name in a multiple application
- 4 The booking fee is non-refundable but we make no charge for substitutions
- 5 If you have requested an invoice from us, we ask that you make every effort to ensure prompt payment. If payment is still outstanding on 12th September 2011 we may ask you to pay the full ticket price.

For all applications received on or after 23rd July 2011 the full ticket price of £75 will be charged. If any disputes arise, the decision of the Chief Executive, Iain Rennie Grove House Hospice Care, will be final.

Directions

The Coach House
Green Park Training & Conference Centre
Stablebridge Road
Aston Clinton
Buckinghamshire
HP22 5NE



Green Park is located just off the A41 in the village of Aston Clinton, 5 miles east of Aylesbury. Location for Satnav users is N51:47:42,W0:42:58

The Coach House is immediately to your left as you enter the grounds.

Travelling West on the A41, coming from London, leave the A41 at the Tring/Wendover exit and follow signs towards the village of Aston Clinton. Just before mini-roundabout, turn left into Stablebridge Road. The entrance to Green Park is 200yds on the right.

Travelling East on the A41, coming from Aylesbury, follow signs for Aston Clinton leaving the A41 at the roundabout where it becomes a dual carriageway. Once in Aston Clinton proceed straight over at the first and second mini roundabouts. After the second roundabout take the first right into Stablebridge Road. The entrance to Green Park is 200yds on the right.

Rail connections

The nearest stations are Wendover on the London Marylebone line and Tring on the London Euston line. The stations are approximately 3 miles and 6 miles from Green Park respectively.

Both stations should have taxis outside. Other taxi numbers are:

Wendover: Alexanders (office outside station) 01296 620888

Tring: A1 Johns – 01442 828828, DMG Cars – 01442 824105, Mikes – 01442 826161

Iain Rennie Grove House Hospice Care

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Working together for excellence in palliative care – who are our partners?

Wednesday 12th October 2011

Green Park Training & Conference Centre,
Aston Clinton, Aylesbury, Bucks, HP22 5NE

5 CPD credits applied for



BOOK NOW
www.irhh.org/conference
or complete the attached form

£60 if booked before 22nd July
£75 thereafter
Includes lunch & refreshments

Working together for excellence in palliative care – who are our partners?

Caring for patients and families today involves partnership working between professional disciplines; the statutory and independent sectors; generalists and specialists; the acute sector and community; professionals and informal carers.

We all need skills in collaboration and negotiation – today we will hear about different perspectives and potential pitfalls. Vicky Robinson will chair the panel of expert speakers on this subject.



Programme for the day

- 08.45** Registration and coffee
- 09.15** **Chair's Introduction**
Vicky Robinson, Consultant Nurse in Palliative & End of Life Care, King's College Hospital
- 09.30** **Keynote speech – Dying Well Matters**
Professor Ilora Finlay, Cardiff University
- 10.15** **Generalists and specialists working together**
Dr Phil Sawyer, GP, St Albans Practice
- 11.00** Coffee
- 11.30** **Oncology/palliative care for haematology patients**
Dr Mary Clarke, Consultant Haematologist, Portsmouth Hospital
- 12.15** **Motor Neurone Disease and the MND Association – collaborative working with the voluntary sector**
Liz Pybus, Regional Care Development Advisor, Motor Neurone Disease Association
- 13.00** Lunch
- 14.00** **Working with informal carers – a different perspective?**
Lesley Ralston, carer
- 14.45** **Death and the Coroner**
Mr Richard Hulett, HM Coroner for Buckinghamshire
- 15.30** Tea and close

Speakers

Vicky Robinson

Vicky qualified as a nurse and district nurse before achieving her BSc in Health Services Management, then her MSc in Palliative Care. She is a module co-ordinator for the King's MSc in Palliative Care, and teaches on strategy, leadership and teams in palliative care. She is co-author of the End of Life Education and Training Strategy for South East London.

Baroness Ilora Finlay of Llandaff

Ilora Finlay was elevated to the peerage in 2001. A Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and the Royal College of General Practitioners, Ilora is an internationally renowned expert in palliative medicine and the care of the dying. She holds an Honorary Doctorate of Science from the University of Glamorgan; is an Honorary Fellow of Cardiff University; and was the Johanna Bijtel Professor at Groningen University, Netherlands 2000-02.

Ilora's medical career has included periods as a general practitioner 1981-86; Palliative medicine 1987-Marie Curie Cancer Care 1987-2000 (now Vice President); Member Expert Advisory Group on Cancers 1993-97, Chairman Association for Palliative Medicine 1995-98; Velindre NHS Trust Cancer Centre, Cardiff 1994-; National Cancer Forum 1997-2000; and as Vice-dean of the School of Medicine, University of Wales College of Medicine 2000-2005.



She was a member of the Assisted Dying for the Terminally Ill Bill Inquiry and has subsequently spoken widely on issues around the problems of legislation for assisted suicide and euthanasia.

She now chairs the Implementation Board for the Palliative Care Strategy in Wales, to improve care of the dying across the Principality.

Dr Phil Sawyer

Phil Sawyer (MBBS BSc DRCOG DFFP MRCP) is a GP in a large busy St Albans practice, he is also a trustee for Iain Rennie Grove House Hospice Care and the Primary Care Lead Advisor for the Mount Vernon Cancer Network. He has been a Macmillan GP facilitator, and involved in Primary Care projects including implementing the Gold Standards Framework. He is currently contributing to raising awareness of early cancer symptoms. His expertise equips him to address the challenges of partnership working between general practice and specialist palliative care.

Dr Mary Clarke

Dr Mary Clarke (MBBS FRCPath) is a consultant haematologist at Epsom & St Helier NHS University Hospitals. One of her particular interests is sickle cell disease, especially the management of sickle pain. However, a major part of her work is treating patients with haematological malignancy such as lymphoma, myeloma and acute leukaemia. She has spoken at conferences about the importance of close links between haematology and palliative care.

Liz Pybus

As Regional Care Development Advisor for the Motor Neurone Disease Association, Liz works closely with local statutory services teams and community care providers on care provision for people with MND.

With a European Diploma in Person-Centred Counselling and Psychotherapy, complemented by counselling/psychotherapy experience in private practice, GP surgery and holistic settings, Liz advises on recruitment, training and management of Mencap Support Workers for adults with Learning Disability.

Lesley Ralston

Lesley cared for her husband at home, who was suffering from Motor Neurone Disease, over a two year period. Her unique experience in this role has led her to contribute to improving services and help for other Motor Neurone Disease patients and their families. She is currently Chair of the South Herts MND branch, which involves speaking to groups of carers and professionals.

Richard Hulett

As Her Majesty's Coroner for Buckinghamshire, Richard's role is to enquire into all deaths within his jurisdiction which are not of a natural or known cause. He also authorises the Medical Cause of Death Certificate (MCCD) for Doctors when the law requires referral to the Coroner.

Richard qualified as a Solicitor in 1974 and since then has been responsible for various areas of the county as HM Coroner.



Complete this form or register online at www.irhh.org/conference

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Registration

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Yes – I would like to attend the conference on 12th October 2011 and enclose a cheque for £75 payable to the 'Iain Rennie Hospice at Home' (£60 if IRHH receive this form on or before 22nd July 2011).

Please send a booking confirmation and venue details to:

Title (Dr/Mr/Mrs/other)

First name

Surname

Job title

Department

Organisation

Address

Post code

Telephone

E-mail address

Date of birth

Special dietary needs?

Where did you hear about the Iain Rennie Grove House Hospice Care conference?

Please write clearly as we will use this information to send a receipt and joining instructions and prepare delegate badges. If you have given us an email address, we will send any documents to you electronically to reduce our costs. If you need us to send you an invoice, just mark the form 'invoice required' but remember that we require payment before 12th September 2011 for the 'early bird' offer to apply.

Signed

Please send your completed form and payment to:

Conference Registration

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