



## ***New Perspectives on Evaluation in Palliative Care***

***Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2010***

***Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre, Glasgow***

This one-day event brings together experts both from outside and within the field of palliative care research to provide fresh perspectives on the evaluation of palliative care interventions.

Traditional Randomised Controlled Trials (RCTs) are often not feasible or suitable for evaluation in palliative care. Yet there is urgent need to subject palliative care to comprehensive and robust evaluation to improve the evidence base for palliative care provision. This event will consider alternative approaches to palliative care evaluation, including the use of qualitative designs as methods of evaluation in their own right and as a means to improve trials, mixed-methods designs, non-RCT quantitative designs and variations on the traditional RCT design, such as fast track and cluster RCTs. Please refer to the Provisional Programme attached to this flyer for further details.

The event is timed to coincide with the 6th Congress of the European Association for Palliative Care, 10-12th June, Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre, Glasgow.

### **CPD Approval**

Continuing Professional Development approval is being sought from the Royal College of Physicians.



### **Booking**

Places are limited so you are asked to book early. Registration includes refreshments and lunch. Early bird rate of £60 if booking before Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> April 2010, thereafter the rate is £75.

The meeting is organised by the Cancer Experiences Collaborative (<http://www.ceco.org.uk/>)  
*A copy of this flyer, which includes the programme and booking form, can be found at:*

**[www.ceco.org.uk/resourcedocs/perspectives2010.pdf](http://www.ceco.org.uk/resourcedocs/perspectives2010.pdf)**



Session	Speaker	Topic
10.30 – 11:00	Registration	
11.00 – 11.15	Welcome and Opening remarks	<b>GunnGrande</b> (Reader, University of Manchester) & <b>Professor Julia Addington-Hall</b> (Professor in End of Life Care, University of Southampton)
11.15 – 11.35	Participatory frameworks for evaluation: An Action research perspective	<b>Katherine Froggatt</b> (Director of the Division of Health Research, Lancaster University) & <b>Joe Hockley</b> (Nurse Consultant, St. Christopher's Hospice, London)
11.35 – 11.55	Case Study Methodology in Palliative Care	<b>Catherine Walshe</b> (RCUK Research Fellow, University of Manchester)
11.55 – 12.15	Qualitative research to improve RCTs	<b>Jenny Donovan</b> (Professor of Social Medicine, University of Bristol)
12.15 – 12.45	<i>Panel Discussion with <b>Dr Katherine Froggatt, Dr Joe Hockley, Dr Catherine Walshe and Professor Jenny Donovan</b></i>	
12.45 – 1.45	Lunch	
1.45 – 2.05	Liverpool CP: before and after trial	<b>Massimo Costantini</b> (Unit of Clinical Epidemiology, National Cancer Institute, Genoa)
2.05 – 2.25	Mixed methods design in palliative care	<b>Julia Addington-Hall</b> (Professor in End of Life Care, University of Southampton)
2.25 – 2.45	<i>Panel Discussion with <b>Professor Massimo Costantini and Professor Julia Addington-Hall</b></i>	
2.45 – 3.15	Break	
3.15 – 3.35	Fast track RCTrials	<b>Irene Higginson</b> (Professor of Palliative Care & Policy, King's College, University of London)
3.35 – 3.55	Cluster RCT designs	<b>Ian Russell</b> (Professor of Clinical Trials, University of Swansea)
3.55 – 4.15	<i>Panel Discussion with <b>Professor Irene Higginson and Professor Ian Russell</b></i>	
4.15 – 4.30	Summary of the Day and Concluding remarks	<b>Gunn Grande</b> (Reader, University of Manchester) & <b>Nancy Preston</b> (CECo Research Fellow, Lancaster University)