

Ataxia: translating research into practice

Date: Friday 17th February 2017

Venue: Grosvenor Hall, Belfast Central Mission, 5 Glengall Street, Belfast, BT12 5 AD

9.00	Registration & Coffee	
9.30	Welcome	Christine Collins, Northern Ireland Rare Disease Partnership
9.35	Living with ataxia	Clodagh Clerkin, Ataxia Ireland
9.45	Types of ataxia and their clinical care pathways	Dr Petya Bogdanova-Mihaylova, Ataxia Registrar, Tallaght Hospital, Dublin
10.15	The patient experience of diagnosis	Alex Duncan, Ataxia UK
10.25	Diagnosis of inherited ataxias: recent developments in genetics research	Professor Patrick Morrison, Consultant in clinical genetics, Belfast NHS Trust
11.00	Break	
11.20	How to reach a diagnosis in the ataxias: a clinical perspective	Professor Marios Hadjivassiliou, Professor of Neurology Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
12.05	Experiences of ataxia patients in Northern Ireland – results of a survey undertaken by Ataxia UK	Sue Millman, CEO Ataxia UK
12.30	Speech therapy interventions in ataxia	Professor Anja Lowit, Professor of Speech and Language Therapy, Strathclyde University
13.00	Lunch	
14:15	Overview of Ataxia Medical Guidelines	Dr Julie Greenfield, Head of Research, Ataxia UK
14:25	Physiotherapy interventions in the ataxias	Anne Belton, Physiotherapist Tallaght Hospital, Dublin
14:55	Ataxia Research: Latest developments in clinical studies	Dr Julie Greenfield, Head of Research, Ataxia UK
15:25	Any remaining questions and closing remarks	Sue Millman, CEO Ataxia UK
15.40	Close	

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