

WONCA World Rural Health Conference 2022



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Join us at WONCA World Rural Health Conference, 2022

The Irish College of General Practitioners, the University of Limerick, School of Medicine, and the Rural, Island and Dispensing Doctors of Ireland, are hosting the WONCA World Rural health conference in a unique joint partnership with an extensive list of collaborating organisations including WONCA, the World Organization of Family Doctors, the Scottish Graduate Entry Medical Programme (ScotGEM); EURIPA; the National Centre for Rural and Remote Medicine (UK); HRB Primary Care Clinical Trials Network Ireland; the Association of University Departments of General Practice in Ireland (AUDGPI), and the Rural and Remote Health Journal.

"The resilience shown by rural and remote communities in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic has been a testament to their inherent engagement, cohesiveness and flexibility. The pandemic, despite its many challenges, has generated renewed vigour in re-imagining life in rural communities as a very attractive place for people and businesses to come, work and live" said Professor Liam Glynn, chair of the organising committee for the WONCA World Rural health conference which is coming to Ireland for the first time and will take place on the University of Limerick parkland campus in Ireland's Mid-West.

"The 2022 World Rural Health Conference will provide a unique crossroads for a diverse community of GPs, Practice nurses, students, researchers, policy makers, health managers, creators and educators which we hope will translate into positive and resilient change for the health of communities," said Dr Diarmuid Quinlan, Medical Director of the Irish College of General Practitioners.

"Rural healthcare is at the heart of this conference but it is clear that themes about educating our future healthcare leaders, the environment, the role of the Irish practice nurse, pre-hospital care, Indigenous, migrant and refugee healthcare, and the role of universities will resonate with most of us whether you live or work in a city, large or small town." said Dr Jerry Cowley, chairman of the Rural, Island and Dispensing Doctors of Ireland.

The conference organisers welcome any and all participation and look forward to hearing from you in the weeks and months ahead and most of all look forward to welcoming you to Limerick in 2022. Please email academicWRHC2022@ul.ie (for programme or academic content queries) or registrationWRHC2022@ul.ie (for any registration, accommodation and travel queries) or go to the link below to access the conference website:

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