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## The Young Adult with Epilepsy: Looking Forward to the Future

6.30 pm, Wednesday, 10 March 2010

Royal College of Physicians of  
Ireland, No.6 Kildare Street, Dublin 2



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## Programme

**Chair:** **Ms Sharon Ní Bheoláin**, *Broadcaster*

**Speakers:** **Dr Dan Costello**, *Consultant Neurologist, Cork University Hospital*

**Ms Máire White**, *Clinical Nurse Specialist in Epilepsy, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin*

**Dr Norman Delanty**, *Consultant Neurologist, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin*

**Ms Emma Beamish**, *Irish International Cricketer and Member of Brainwave*

**Panel:** **Dr Niall Pender**, *Principal Clinical Neuropsychologist, Beaumont Hospital Dublin*

**Mr Paul Sharkey**, *Training and Communications Manager, Brainwave*

As part of the **RCPI Promoting A Healthy Nation Public Meeting Series**, the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland and Brainwave The Irish Epilepsy Association are pleased to announce this public meeting.

Epilepsy is the most common serious neurological condition. An estimated 37,000 people in Ireland live with the condition. People of all ages can be affected by epilepsy but the majority of people with epilepsy have their first seizure before they reach adulthood. For most people, epilepsy will only affect them for a short period in their lives. For some, however, it can be a source of major long-term disability with lasting consequences which can be carried through from adolescence to adulthood and may affect the person's ability to learn and interact with the surrounding world.

Issues of particular relevance to adolescents and young adults and their families include social stigma, educational and employment disadvantage, psychological and emotional

issues, the inconvenience of frequent healthcare use and impaired quality of life.

This public meeting will specifically focus on the challenge young adults face in managing their condition as they move from adolescence to adulthood. The meeting will provide information on how best young adults can control and manage epilepsy to live a full and health life, and discuss the social and psychological effects of epilepsy.

The meeting is open to all members of the public. However, attendance is by ticket only. Members of the public are asked to apply for tickets by registering at [www.rcpi.ie/publicmeetings](http://www.rcpi.ie/publicmeetings), emailing [college@rcpi.ie](mailto:college@rcpi.ie) or by contacting RCPI directly at (01) 8639700. There is no charge for attendance.

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