



People-focused Regulation for a Safer Global Community



WELCOME TO THE 16TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MEDICAL REGULATION

We are excited to welcome you to Dublin for the 16th International Conference on Medical Regulation in 2025, organised by IAMRA (International Association of Medical Regulatory Authorities) and hosted by the Medical Council of Ireland.

We are delighted to announce that the theme of the conference is "People-focused regulation for a safer global community".

This conference will be of interest to those involved in medical regulation and regulation of other health professions; medical education across the continuum, including primary medical education, post graduate medical training, and continuing professional development; assessment and remediation; health care policy and medical workforce planning.

We encourage you to register your interest in the conference by joining the mailing list and you will be kept up to date with registration dates, abstract submission details, programme developments and keynote speakers.

We look forward to seeing you in Dublin and greeting you with the traditional Irish welcome of *Céad míle fáilte* (A hundred thousand welcomes)!



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ABOUT THE 16TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The 16th International Conference on Medical Regulation in 2025, organised by IAMRA (International Association of Medical Regulatory Authorities) and hosted by the Medical Council of Ireland, will be held in Dublin, Ireland from 3rd – 6th September 2025.

We welcome IAMRA members and partners, medical and health regulators, policy makers and academics to come together to share their experiences. Attendees are invited to share their lessons learned, as well as opportunities to address challenges we now face. The Conference will include plenty of opportunities for networking.

Highlights of the event will be a broad range of keynote speakers, engaging panel discussions, with the ultimate advantage of engagement, learning and sharing ideas with stakeholders and colleagues in medical regulation from around the world.



THEME AND TOPICS OF THE 16TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The major conference theme is:

PEOPLE-FOCUSED REGULATION FOR A SAFER GLOBAL COMMUNITY

Sub-themes: Throughout the conference, we'll explore topics including:



THE REGULATOR'S ROLE IN ENABLING A GLOBAL HEALTH WORKFORCE

- Collecting, publishing, and analyzing workforce data
- Simplifying/streamlining pathways to registration
- Fair and ethical recruitment of international workforce
- International movement of physicians
- Engaging with other government agencies
- Harnessing mutual benefits of global movement



DEVELOPMENTS AND INNOVATIONS IN EDUCATION, ACCREDITATION, ASSESSMENT, AND REMEDIATION

- Medical education and accreditation of training programmes
- Physician assessment and remediation, including evidence based, personalized approaches, incorporating ethical/professional behaviours
- Supervision and mentorship
- Workplace based assessment
- Managing poorly performing practitioners
- Continued competency and CPD
- Maintenance of licence and CPD for senior / late career physicians / physicians with disabilities





ENGAGING WITH THE PUBLIC/CONSUMERS

- Co-designing systems and processes
- Strengthening the community voice in regulation
- The patient as an advocate in development of regulatory policy
- Equitable access to regulatory services



FUTURE REGULATION: NEW AND EMERGING ISSUES/MODELS

- Regulatory research and innovation
- Regulatory foresight/intelligence models
- Regulatory responses to the use of Artificial/ Augmented Intelligence (AI) and other developing technologies
- Use of AI and emerging technologies to support regulatory practice
- Rapid responses to emerging issues
- Team based and multi-professional regulatory models
- Cross-border regulation
- Balancing public protection and regulatory kindness
- Responsible use of telehealth across regulatory borders



REGULATING FOR HUMANITY

- The regulator's role in humanitarian issues and crises
- Regulation as an enabler for improved health equity
- Trauma informed regulation
- · Health and wellbeing of the medical workforce
- Promoting and embedding diversity and inclusion
- The regulator's role in addressing the health impacts of planetary health and climate change



OBJECTIVES OF THE 16TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE



Promote effective medical regulation by supporting best practice, innovation, collaboration and knowledge sharing to ensure public safety and enable the global medical workforce to deliver quality healthcare.



Implement learnings and insights from colleagues to inform regulation, workforce planning, policy and the wider health service in Ireland and worldwide.



Bring together and engage with international leaders and prospective colleagues in healthcare and medical regulation.



Raise awareness of international best practices in medical and health professional regulation and further strengthen the knowledge of our community



CONFERENCE VENUE

IAMRA is proud to host its 16th International Conference on Medical Regulation at the **Clayton Hotel Burlington Road,** one of Dublin's premier venues, offering an ideal setting for innovation, collaboration, and engagement. Located in the heart of Dublin and just a short walk from St. Stephen's Green, it's the perfect setting for a truly memorable conference experience.

WHAT MAKES THE BURLINGTON HOTEL SPECIAL?

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- **Accessibility:** Easily reachable by public transport, including a short walk from Charlemont Luas stop and nearby bus routes.
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- **Comfort & Amenities:** Offers spacious, well-equipped conference areas designed for productive sessions and relaxed networking.
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Dublin's Charm at Your Doorstep: Positioned close to iconic attractions, delegates and partners can enjoy Dublin's rich history and lively culture after conference hours.

The Clayton Hotel Burlington Road reflects IAMRA's mission of innovation and collaboration, all while offering the warmth of Irish hospitality. *Céad míle fáilte!*







WHO WILL ATTEND?

The 16th International Conference will attract delegates from many backgrounds, including:



Medical Regulatory
Authorities



Regulators of other Health Professions



Policymakers



Government Officials



Doctors



Researchers



Medical Educators across the continuum, including primary medical education, post graduate medical training, and continuing professional development



People involved in Medical Workforce Planning

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HOST ORGANISATIONS



The International Association of Medical Regulatory Authorities (IAMRA) is a membership organisation whose purpose is to promote effective medical regulation worldwide by supporting best practice, innovation, collaboration, and knowledge sharing to ensure public safety and enable the global medical workforce to deliver quality health care.

IAMRA's vision is that everyone around the world is treated and cared for by safe and competent doctors. At its core, IAMRA is about encouraging and facilitating international cooperation and understanding of medical and health professional regulation. We aim to provide opportunities for our members and partners to share information and discuss common problems.

IAMRA does not promote or endorse any particular model of medical regulation. We recognize there are many different structures and approaches, and we want to support and encourage effective regulatory systems that provide the foundation for patient safety and public protection.

Given the increasing mobility of the medical workforce, the impacts of regulation are felt across the world. What happens in one jurisdiction has the potential to affect another. The challenge for medical regulators is to create relevant and effective systems that can respond to:

- The rapidly changing environments in which physicians work;
- The changes in both healthcare and communication technologies;
- Evolving healthcare delivery systems.



The Medical Council of Ireland is the regulator of doctors in Ireland. It maintains the Register of Medical Practitioners - the register of all doctors who are legally permitted to undertake medical work in Ireland. The Medical Council of Ireland also sets the standards for medical education and training in Ireland. It oversees lifelong learning and skills development throughout doctors' professional careers through its professional competence requirements. It is charged with promoting good medical practice. The Medical Council of Ireland is also where the public may make a complaint against a doctor.



EVOLUTION OF IAMRA



1994: The journey began in **Washington**, **D.C.**, where the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States (FSMB) hosted the 1st International Conference on Medical Regulation. Representatives from Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, South Africa, the United Kingdom, and the United States gathered to discuss shared regulatory challenges and the potential for ongoing international dialogue.

1996 ONWARDS: Energized by the success of the initial meeting, biennial conferences became a tradition, hosted worldwide in locations such as **Australia, South Africa, the UK, and Dubai**. Each conference reinforced the commitment to global dialogue and collaboration.

2000: IAMRA was formally established, bringing together regulatory authorities from Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, South Africa, Sweden, the UK, and the US. By 2004, IAMRA was incorporated in Texas with FSMB's continued support.

TODAY: Now with over **140 members globally**, IAMRA champions effective medical regulation by promoting best practices, innovation, and knowledge sharing. In a rapidly evolving world, IAMRA's mission is clear: to support regulatory systems that prioritize patient safety, adapt to new healthcare technologies, and meet the needs of a dynamic medical workforce.

