The Irish Association of Physicists in Medicine (IAPM) Radiation Protection Special Interest Group will be holding a one day workshop in conjunction with the Irish Institute of Radiography and Radiation Therapy (IIRRT) and the Faculty of Radiologists on Friday 26th February 2016 from 8:00am to 3:00pm on the issue of Pregnancy Policy in diagnostic imaging and its implementation in Irish hospitals. The workshop aims to address the acknowledged inconsistency in how pregnancy guidance and policy is applied nationally.

### Schedule

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<td>Welcome</td>
<td>Mr Patrick Lynch, National Director, Quality Assurance and Verification Division HSE</td>
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<td>Setting the Scene / RPA Perspective</td>
<td>Dr Geraldine O’Reilly, St James Hospital Dublin</td>
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<td>Pregnancy policy - A radiology perspective</td>
<td>Dr. Michelle McNicholas, Faculty of Radiologists</td>
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<td>Foetal exposure and Associated Risk in Pregnancy</td>
<td>Dara Murphy, OLHSC</td>
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<td>Pregnancy issues in Radiotherapy</td>
<td>Dr David Fitzpatrick, Radiation Oncologist</td>
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<td>Coffee Break</td>
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<td>Local audit of pregnancy policy</td>
<td>Lee O’Hora, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin</td>
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<td>Clinical waivers</td>
<td>Dr. Niall Sheehy, St James’s Hospital, Dublin</td>
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<td>Legal aspects</td>
<td>Mary Kirwan, Barrister</td>
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<td>An overview of recent MERU audits</td>
<td>Petrina Duff, Auditor, Quality Assurance and Verification Division, HSE</td>
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<td>Questioning a minor</td>
<td>Dr. Aisling Snow, Our Lady’s Children’s Hospital, Crumlin</td>
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<td>ORP/EPA – Inspection</td>
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<td>Breakout Session - Presentations</td>
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**Venue:** The Boardroom, Dr Steevens’ Hospital, Steevens’ Lane, Dublin 8

This event will attempt to give an overall perspective on the subject from three professions involved; together with input from the Medical Exposure Radiation Unit.
(MERU), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and an overview of legal implications.

Attendance is limited to 60 people, so early registration is advised. Closing date for registration is Friday 5 February 2016. Please contact Rose Lindsay at rose.lindsay@hse.ie to register.