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Leading the Way...

The Inflammatory Bowel Disease Centre [IBDC] at Mercy University Hospital.

What is IBD?

Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) is an umbrella term used to describe Crohn's disease and Ulcerative Colitis. These are lifelong, complex diseases characterised by periods of relapse and remission. The prevalence of IBD is increasing in Ireland in line with developed countries worldwide.

The IBD centre at MUH has one of the largest cohorts of IBD patients in the country. The rapid increase in IBD referrals to MUH has resulted in an urgent need to increase capacity and access to services including outpatient clinics, endoscopy and inpatient facilities.

Service Development

Due to the nature and complexity of IBD, continuity of care for this patient group is essential to long-term outcomes and quality care. Accordingly, an audit was undertaken at MUH over a twelve week period from May to July 2013. The aim of the Audit was to establish the possible impact of an Advanced Nurse Practitioner (ANP) post in IBD at the Gastroenterology Department. Findings showed that **40%** of patients attending the clinic could effectively be managed by an ANP. This would result in reducing current OPD waiting times, reduced presentations to the Emergency Department, reduced Special Delivery Unit waiting lists, improved access to flexible sigmoidoscopy and colonoscopy as well as freeing up Consultant time to deal with more complex IBD cases.

The purpose of the ANP in IBD is to improve the healthcare experience and outcomes and to provide an expert service to patients with a diagnosis of mild to moderate IBD. This service is a complete care package including outpatient review, planning care, prescribing, scoping (Sigmoidoscopy/Colonoscopy), referring to other services where necessary as well as follow up.



Meet our Advanced Nurse Practitioner in Inflammatory Bowel Disease.

Kathleen Sugrue has played a pivotal role in developing the IBD centre at MUH into one of the leading and innovative IBD units in Europe. She has recently been appointed as the first Advanced Nurse Practitioner in IBD in Ireland and has been at the forefront of recent advances in nurse-led developments in gastroenterology for several years.

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Meet the Team.
Together with IBD Nurse Specialist Deirdre Fitzgerald and Consultant Gastroenterologists, Dr Jane McCarthy and Dr Martin Buckley, Kathleen will continue to develop the IBD Centre with plans to become the first unit to use remote monitoring of patients, virtual clinics, and nurse led surveillance endoscopy.

(L-R) Kathleen Sugrue, Dr. Jane McCarthy, Dr. Martin Buckley, Deirdre Fitzgerald.

Sr. Loretto – A Tribute



On January 1st, Sr. Loretto died in the midst of her family and in her home, Mercy University Hospital.

Sr. Loretto devoted a lifetime of service to Mercy University Hospital for 65 years and it is with great humility that we endeavour to capture the immense impact she had on everyone who has walked our corridors and were touched by her grace and compassion.

Those 65 years of dedicated service and enduring commitment to caring for the people of Cork and beyond were reflected upon and gratefully acknowledged during her funeral mass. She was someone who undeniably embodied the core values of Mercy - Compassion, Excellence, Justice, Respect, and Team Spirit.

Many patients and their families have benefited from her nursing experience, caring approach, wisdom and kindness. Sr. Loretto worked primarily in the medical wards in the hospital, St. Finbarr's and the ward formally known as PC. This ward was refurbished and dedicated to St. Brigid in late 2013 and we were honoured that Sr. Loretto performed the official opening of the ward. She also spent time in the Radiology Department, worked as a night sister, within paediatrics and trained in midwifery. Sr. Loretto was ahead of the times with her special interest in End of Life care.

As both a learner and researcher she continued throughout her life to be an educator. As a teaching hospital and an affiliated hospital of University College Cork, countless nursing and medical students can attribute their success to her teaching and to the confidence she inspired in them.

Her lifelong friends speak of her love for the family, a love of community and the wider congregation. She was kind, calm, never judgemental and loved people for what they were. Sr. Loretto was slow to anger, even tempered and a great confidante. She had a beautiful personality, a striking sense of humour and a love of nature, Irish music and especially Cork songs.

In the hospital's 65 year association with Sr. Loretto, those of us working here have had ample opportunities to witness the dedication with which she lived her Mercy Mission. No-one can take away the gift that she was, because she implanted herself so deeply within our lives, and in the essence of the hospital itself, in our value system, our work ethic and our humanity.

Sr. Loretto used to say "the more things change the more they stay the same" and when one reflects on this, her insight provides us with the necessary motivation in today's context to continue our work.

On behalf of your Sisters in the Convent, your family and all at Mercy University Hospital, we will miss you deeply Sr. Loretto, and may you Rest in Peace.

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.



Congratulations Mr. Tony O'Regan

Early in 2015, it was identified that the requirement for Mercy University Hospital to have its own **Peace Commissioner** on site would be highly beneficial for several Departments. To this effect, Mr. Tony O'Regan, MUH Security Manager, was appointed a Peace Commissioner in March 2015.

The Office of Peace Commissioner is a discretionary honorary appointment made by the Minister for Justice and Equality under Section 88 of the Courts of Justice Act 1924.

At present, the powers and duties of a Peace Commissioner are mainly:

1. the taking of statutory declarations
2. witnessing signatures on documents if that is required by various authorities
3. signing certificates and orders under various Acts

As Peace Commissioners are honorary appointments, there is no remuneration or financial compensation by way of fees or expenses for their services.

Tony has assimilated his new role as Peace Commissioner into to his existing work and it is indeed proving to be a valuable asset to Mercy University Hospital.

Congratulations Ms. Catherine Barrett



In December 2013 the training which is provided by the Healthcare Pricing Office HSE, was accredited by the Dublin Institute of Technology to provide certified training for coders working within the HIPE (Hospital In-Patient Enquiry) system. In 2014 an inaugural group of 12 students undertook the first ***Continuing Professional Development Certificate - Clinical Coding.***

Mercy University Hospital were delighted that Catherine Barrett, Senior Clinical Coder, HIPE Department was part of this group and the first coder in Mercy University Hospital to successfully complete the programme.

Twelve students from hospitals across the country took part in the course which was held via distance education. Participants completed a number of assessments from June to October and also sat a final examination in December 2014. The course topics included anatomy & physiology, clinical terminology, coding theory, coding guidelines and the classification used by HIPE for coding of diseases and procedures.

This valuable programme will enhance and further improve the quality of HIPE data as hospitals move forward to Activity Based Funding and Mercy University Hospital will be pleased to participate in future courses.



Summer Sundries

Feta and roasted red pepper dip

1 roasted red pepper
1 clove of garlic
8 ounces of feta cheese
1/4 cup of plain yogurt
1 pinch cayenne pepper (to taste)

Blend all ingredients together

Serve with vegetable crudités or toasted pitta triangles.

With Compliments

We at Mercy University Hospital are very grateful to receive feedback from our patients and their relatives. It is particularly uplifting for staff when we receive compliments to the various services we provide. We always appreciate such kind words and sentiments.

Recently Nurse Manager Nuala Coughlan received the following correspondence in respect of the Mercy Urgent Care Centre.

Dear Nuala,

I wanted to write you an email to compliment the excellent care I received at the Mercy Urgent Care Unit (Orthopaedic) recently. I was travelling to Ireland on a business trip, and unfortunately had an accident upon arrival to Cork. I was extremely apprehensive about receiving care in any other health care facility outside of my own Trust, least mind healthcare overseas.

I was extremely impressed with the overall high standard of care provided to me from the whole of the multi-disciplinary team from the reception staff through to the radiology, medical and nursing staff. I was seen, scanned, diagnosed and provided with a treatment pathway in 1 hour 23 minutes, time management and planning was excellent.

I wanted to give a special thanks to the gentleman who provided me with my X-rays, although I cannot remember his name he mentioned he had worked in England at a Trust for a number of years. He really took the time to explain to me what had happened and post-accident advice. The Doctor who examined me was also very nice and supportive.

It was lovely that all staff demonstrated innovation, respect and responsibility; all staff took pride in their roles and it was evident all staff were working together as a team to ensure all patients coming into the unit were treated with the upmost care and attention.

I wanted to give a special thanks to you, for taking the time out to reassure me, apply my air boot, and explain in depth post accident advice and care that could assist me in my recovery. It was really appreciated and really re validated my confidence, as although we have busy careers/roles, high standards of 'bed side manner' and kindness towards patients always remains paramount and I felt you really demonstrated this towards me. I really felt cared for and looked after. And observing the staff from the waiting area, this is an ethos all the staff at the unit work towards.

I am now being treated in my own Trust, and may have to have surgery so I am so grateful for the early input from the unit.

Please pass on my compliments to the staff involved. I would really like this email escalated to the Director of Operations for your Trust/equivalent as I believe you all deserve credit.

I will definitely recommend your unit to people in the future.

Kindest Regards and lots of Appreciation

NB: All patient details have been removed as per standard guidelines in respect of Patient Confidentiality.

Thought for the Day

Respect is recognition of the dignity of each person at all times.
'Our mutual respect is to be cordial',
- Catherine McAuley

Happy Retirement to:



Dr. Liam Conroy, Consultant Anaesthetist pictured with his wife Alice on the occasion of his retirement party at MUH.



Ms. Sandra Daly making a presentation, in acknowledgement of Ms. Doreen Lynch, Director, Centre of Nurse Education on the occasion of her retirement.



Mr. Tony Mannion, IDL Gatehouse Security Officer (G4S Security), pictured receiving a token of appreciation from Deputy CEO, Jim Corbett on behalf of MUH.

May the best of happiness, honour and fortune keep with you!

What a difference a day makes...

When Inspector Finbarr O'Sullivan and Garda Patrick Harrington made a proposal to MUH a number of weeks ago for some junior recruits to join the ranks of An Garda Siochana, to undertake some very special duties, we considered it our duty and privilege to oblige and were very happy to assist our colleagues in Anglesea Street. Sinead Favier, Manager of our children's ward (St. Anne's) gathered her unit of over 30 children and so the adventure began...

June 24th arrived and the excitement in the Ground Floor Parlour of MUH, as the recruits gathered, was palpable. One recruit confessed that she had broken her fish tank the day before, fearing it would impact on her application, but Inspector O'Sullivan reassured her all was ok. Resplendent in their "Garda for a Day" t-shirts and baseball caps, the streets of Cork would not know what hit them. A photo shoot with a very important guest, from the Garda Equine Unit, who had made a special detour to MUH, on his journey back to Dublin, set the tone for the day and with cheers and waves goodbye it was into the Garda Transport Vehicles and on to the Mardyke.

Garda Patrick Harrington and his colleagues from the Garda Dog Unit introduced the children to Snipe, Jack, Glen and their canine colleagues who demonstrated their amazing abilities. Our recruits met their first targets admirably stepping up to the mark and setting the dogs plenty of fun challenges and all receiving their Certificates in *Searching for Scents with Dogs*.

Safe decibel levels were well exceeded on the journey to Anglesea Street Garda Station (and indeed throughout the day) as whoops and squeals of delight echoed the sirens of the outriders and squad cars charged with the task of accompanying these very special recruits. Excitement reached such a crescendo going through the Jack Lynch Tunnel that we were surely ultrasonic!

At Anglesea Street Garda Station, Chief Superintendent Michael Finn greeted his new recruits and presided over their "swearing in" ceremony, presenting them with their ID Badges and Certificates. The energy and enthusiasm was electric and Superintendent Finn sent his newest recruits off with those immortal words ***"Be careful out there".*** Divided into their Units, they set about their assigned duties, taking fingerprints and footprints, checking the Radio Control room with its bird's eye view of the heart of the city, and then the very important task of testing the traffic corps motorbikes and inspecting the various firearms.

After a brief respite (and quick bite to eat), the work continued. The journey wasn't too far – in next door where Third Officer Mr. Eddie Buckley and his colleagues, greeted the recruits and briefed them on their duties in the fire station. The Fire Station personnel staged a spectacular display and the recruits had the opportunity to don the uniform and view the equipment.

A group photo by the fire engines was of course mandatory and armed with balloons, compliments of the Fire Service, everyone was ready for the next stage - off to their Army colleagues in Collins Barracks.

Arriving at Collins Barracks, the children were greeted by the Military Police who requested to board the transport vehicles as they had to check the ID badges of all recruits and ensure all credentials were in order. Through the gates, into the courtyard and the collective sharp intake of breath said it all (and that was just the adults!). Commdt Larry Egar welcomed everyone and best summed up what lay before us as "toys for big boys". The recruits were shown the various Military vehicles, army camouflage netting, artillery, bomb disposal equipment, mine detectors and the bomb detection robot was put through its paces, with a slight change of mission - detecting humans instead of bombs! Sweets and treats were aplenty, in the Officers Mess, for the weary recruits to keep them going for the next stage.

The Port of Cork closed the last chapter of this exciting day, before the much deserved and anticipated trip to McDonalds. Mr. Pat Murphy and his crew treated the children to a cruise around Cork Harbour. After McDonalds, it was time for home – 35 very tired but very happy children were returned to their parents.

Sinead Favier best summed up the rich benefits of this day "It was important for the kids to enjoy a day that was non-medical and it was great for the children to see the nurses in a positive light and not to associate us with treatments for a day".

Thank You seems such a small statement to make after this fantastic occasion but it is meant most heartfelt and sincerely from all at MUH. There are so many people who took the time and effort to make this a magical occasion for 35 of our paediatric patients and their families. First and foremost, ***THANK YOU*** *Inspector Finbarr O'Sullivan (and Stephanie – for the inspiration), Garda Patrick Harrington and his team, Chief Superintendent Michael Finn, the Gardai and staff of Anglesea Street, drivers, unit leaders, outriders, traffic corps, Cork City Fire Brigade, Commdt Egar and the army personnel of Collins Barracks and finally the staff of the Port of Cork. Thanks to the generous sponsorship of St. Pauls Garda Credit Union and Centra. Special word of thanks to our own Sinead Favier, CNM2, St. Anne's Ward, who must feel like an honorary Garda herself at this stage!*

Well done everyone! Turn the page to share the excitement of the day!


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for a day


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Introducing: Dr. John MacFarlane



Originally from Schull, West Cork, I (more my parents!) was lucky to obtain a scholarship to study medicine at UCC and graduated in... let's just say we had our 20th reunion last year.

I completed my internship at the 'Regional' (CUH) and here at the Mercy with Mr. PB Kiely amongst others. I think by then I knew I wanted to be a physician and gained a place on the Munster SHO (Senior House Officer) training scheme as it was then. I also took an opportunity of a year in-between to do some research with the late Prof. Gerry O'Sullivan. It was around then, I met my wife in theatre here while we were both doing research so I have a lot to thank the Mercy for!

I worked as a registrar with Prof. Mary Horgan in infectious diseases for a year before heading off to Vienna with my now wife and enjoyed the musical and architectural heritage. We returned to Dublin at the time of year when there were few jobs so tried a registrar post at the National Rehabilitation Hospital, Dun Laoghaire and truly enjoyed the speciality, allowing one time to get to know patients and families and maximising their functioning. I therefore applied for and was appointed to the Irish specialist training scheme in

Recognising the need to gain experience abroad in such a small speciality, I did the last year of my training in Yorkshire before taking up a consultant post in Newcastle-upon-Tyne with the renowned Prof. Mike Barnes. There I was involved in the move of the regional neurorehabilitation service to a new state-of-the-art centre, developed the spasticity service there with community outreach and lead an inpatient multidisciplinary team. I also was involved in research particularly a large National Institute for Health Research project on transition of young people with chronic conditions into adulthood. The 'Geordies' were a friendly bunch and we had two 'Geordie sons' born there before we looked towards home and I obtained a consultant post based at the Mater Misericordiae in Dublin in 2013.

I wasn't in the job long when I heard of my colleague, Andrew Hanrahan's decision to return home to the UK, so applied and was thrilled to get the job with a lead role in developing Rehabilitation Medicine services in my 'home turf ' of Munster. The Mercy has been selected to play a key role with the plans for the regional inpatient unit, as ever dependent on funding.

In my spare time I enjoy cycling, environmental issues and watching (trying not to shout!) our boys play various sports. I have found the staff and patients here at the Mercy and CUH very welcoming and it's great to meet old faces again even if my memory for names has faded at times.

Polar Education Group.

The POLAR Unit at the Mercy University Hospital is a HSE sponsored initiative, in partnership with the National Rehabilitation Hospital (NRH), providing specialist, interdisciplinary care for persons with limb amputation or congenital limb loss. The POLAR programme is designed to assist people with limb loss, as well as their family and carers, to promote greater levels of functional independence, social participation, autonomy and integration. The POLAR Unit is a consultant led clinic. Dr. John MacFarlane, Consultant in Rehabilitation Medicine has recently joined the team.

The POLAR unit at MUH provides:

- Comprehensive pre-amputation and post-amputation (pre-prosthetic) rehabilitation, education and advice
- Provision of lower and upper limb prostheses
- Orthotic and specialist footwear
- Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy
- Nurse led wound management education
- Education on self management and specialist referral to address all vascular risk factors and prevention or postponement of a second amputation
- Information about support, advocacy and assistive technology resources



In March 2013, monthly Education Sessions commenced following expressions of interest from service users. There is a different speaker each month from other services in the hospital, such as Men's Health, Dietetics and Pharmacy, or from outside agencies, such as Citizen's Information, Men's Shed, Community Podiatry and the National Learning Network. As well as education about other available services, the monthly sessions have provided great peer support for the service users where they have shared their own experiences of limb loss and have helped each other overcome various obstacles.

The education sessions are held on the first Monday of the month at 11am in the Mercy University Hospital. Refreshments are kindly sponsored by The Mercy Hospital Foundation. If you would like more information on the Monthly Education Group please contact Catriona Sweeney, Senior Occupational Therapist, or Norma Healy, Staff Nurse, on 021 4935499.

Foundation Features



Munster Rugby's Donnacha O'Callaghan swapped a rugby ball for a sledgehammer and hard hat to officially launch the Mercy Hospital Foundation's appeal to fund the building of a dedicated **Cancer Care Centre** on the grounds of the Hospital.

"The new centre will be a safe haven with comfortable non-intimidating surroundings where privacy and dignity are paramount, a nonclinical environment where patients can sit with family and nurses and go through the news that they have been diagnosed with cancer."

- Erica Mulvihill, Cancer Nurse Specialist at the Mercy Hospital



Ladies who Lunch – MUH Department of Nursing personnel pictured at the **MUH Foundation Ladies Lunch** held in the Radisson Hotel, Little Island, with South/South West Hospital Group Director of Nursing Bridie O'Sullivan and colleagues from Mallow General Hospital. The popularity of this event grows year upon year making it one of the social calendar highlights each June.



Dr. Adrian Brady, Consultant Radiologist at the Mercy took part in the **Fort 2 Fort Charity Cycle** recently. He was interviewed by the Evening Echo about his involvement in the cycle and his other interests outside work.

Congratulations Dr. Raymond Barry



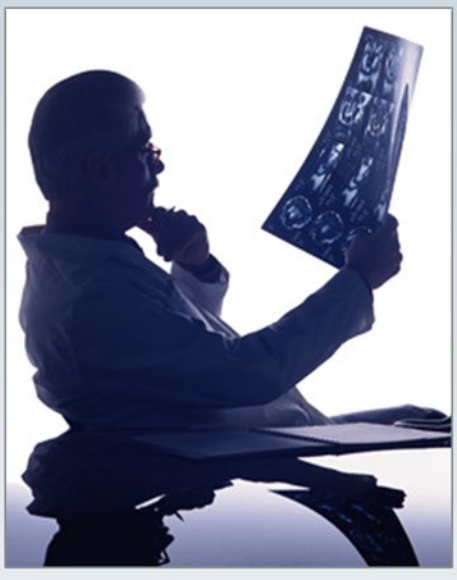
Congratulations to Dr. Raymond Barry, Consultant Paediatrician, at Mercy University Hospital, who has been appointed **Dean of the Faculty of Paediatrics at the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland** (RCPI).
Dr. Barry, who is also an Honorary Clinical Lecturer in Paediatrics at University College Cork, has been appointed for a term of 3 years.
Together with his special interest in Community Child Health, Dr. Barry's principal interests include management and prevention of motor problems in children with Cerebral Palsy and other physical disabilities, management of children with complex physical and intellectual disability and child protection.
We at Mercy University Hospital wish him every success during his tenure.

Staff Day Out…

Staff from Mercy University Hospital took part in the first ever **MUH Foot Golf** event on Saturday, June 27th.
A total of 19 participants, from a variety of Departments, tested their skills with **John Chambers**, Healthcare Assistant, St. Brigid's Ward emerging as the triumphant and deserving winner.
A great day was had by all and congratulations John!



Update on GP Electronic Referral



Following on from the success of the GP Electronic referral project in OPD, Radiology are very glad to announce that with the assistance of the HSE Chief Information Officer's office and Healthlink we will be in a position to commence this service for Radiology requests.

This will mean GP users on Healthlink will have a single portal for access to diagnostic services in Radiology and OPD. The referral portal will contain an additional selection area for Radiology. The referral form will be the same as that currently rolled out for OPD referrals but a comment box can capture information pertinent to Radiology only. Radiology GP electronic referrals will be received direct into the Clerical office of the Radiology Department.

If GP's wish the referral to be considered under the GP Fast Track scheme, please indicate this in the comment field. We hope this project will commence mid July. For further information in relation to OPD or Radiology GP electronic referrals details can be found on: www.healthlink.ie

In Profile: Dr. Deirdre O'Brien, Consultant Microbiologist

Dr. Deirdre O'Brien joined the Mercy family in February 2014. Since her arrival, there have been many remarkable events in the spheres of infection control and microbiology that have captured the world's imagination. We were delighted that Deirdre took the time to chat to Mercy Times about herself and her work…



A new Consultant

"I started work as a consultant microbiologist in the Mercy in February 2014. I graduated in medicine from UCC in 2000 and spent my intern year in Cork University Hospital. I underwent the 2 year basic surgical training scheme during which I spent one year in the Mercy and gained an associate surgical fellowship of the RCSI. After completing specialist training in clinical microbiology I worked for 2 years as a locum consultant microbiologist in St. Vincent's Hospital in Dublin. I then moved to Scotland to work with the NHS as my husband was working there but was delighted to come back to work in Mercy University Hospital in Cork when the opportunity arose.

My work has many different components - infection prevention and control, antimicrobial stewardship, providing a clinical advisory role for the microbiology laboratory and teaching. I am a member of many committees in the hospital ensuring that the safest possible environment is provided for the patient.

Team Work

I am very fortunate to work with a fantastic infection prevention and control nurse, Joanne Crowley. Implementing a successful infection prevention and control programme is a constant challenge and would not be possible without Joanne's tireless efforts. We are constantly trying to improve our infection rates within the hospital and continuously face challenges both old (norovirus, influenza for example) and new (Ebola) but the ever changing nature of microbiology is one of the things that make the work so interesting.



The Way Forward

The laboratories have recently undergone their annual accreditation inspection and I would like to congratulate all of the staff on all the hard work invested in maintaining and extending their accreditation status, especially the microbiology laboratory who had a massive increase in their scope from serology to general bacteriology.

Microbiology diagnostics are currently undergoing a massive transformation - very little really changed over a hundred years or so with most results depending on the growth of bacteria. This is changing rapidly with the availability of molecular diagnostic methods which will have a great impact on the quality of patient care - instead of having to wait 2 to 3 days for a result it is now possible to have a result in a matter of minutes to hours. Together with all of the laboratory scientists we are working to modernise the microbiology laboratory and this year acquired the capability to perform norovirus and influenza testing in house. We will commence in-house molecular TB testing in the next few months and hope to expand our repertoire of tests when resources allow.

Rising to the Challenge

Antimicrobial resistance is one of the greatest threats facing public health and we all have a role to ensure that antibiotics remain useful for the next generation. The antimicrobial stewardship committee in the Mercy is led by Dr Arthur Jackson, Consultant in Infectious Diseases and together with Frank O'Riordan, Antimicrobial Pharmacist; I ensure that antibiotics are used as appropriately as possible in the hospital. I spend a fair bit of time telephoning laboratory results and taking clinical queries by phone but also go to the wards including ICU on a daily basis - again ensuring that the correct antibiotics are prescribed – or discontinued as the case may be.

Education as the key!

I have always had an interest in teaching. I give either a laboratory based or antimicrobial stewardship focused tutorial to UCC medical students on a weekly basis and welcome the opportunity to talk to any department that would like an update on any issues related to antibiotics, infections or infection prevention and control."

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Have you tried our **Wordsearch** – a prize of €50 awaits the winner!

Word search (with a twist)!
All the answers are contained within the Grid...
All the answers are also contained within Mercy Times so start reading...
answers can be straightforward, backward, diagonal etc.

- *In our Cooking Tip, you only need a pinch of this?*
- *One of our retirees kept this safe and secure for over 15 years?*
- *The ANP IBD service will improve access to this? (2 words and not in order)*
- *Dr. O'Brien lived here before joining us at MUH?*
- *Peace Commissioners are what kind of Appointment?*
- *The 4th Mercy Value?*
- *MUH has an Antimicrobial _____ Committee?*
- *The MUH Foundation sponsors this for the Polar Education Group?*
- *It is hoped that the new GP Electronic Referral (Radiology) project will commence when?*
- *The Children of St. Anne's Ward were Garda for a Day. They had their photo taken outside MUH with an important guest from which Garda Unit?*

NB: Deadline for the submission of the Wordsearch is August 31st, 2015. You can place your entry in the designated box in the Post Room. Please ensure that your contact details are on your submission.



Crossword Winner – First out of the Hat!
Paul Downey Medical Student, being presented with his prize, by Mercy Times Editor, Siobhán Kenny, for successfully solving the Mercy Times Crossword.

We wish to express our thanks to everyone who submitted articles, information and / or photos for this edition. If you have something to submit for a subsequent issue, please contact any member of the Editorial Committee.

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