Discussing Professionalization, Gender, and Care: History of Soviet Health Care in Comparative Perspective

Thursday 29-Friday 30 May, UCD Humanities Institute, University College Dublin

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14.00: Welcome by Catherine Cox (Director, UCD Centre for the History of Medicine in Ireland, University College Dublin)

REFRESHMENTS

SESSION 1: Professions and Practice

14.15-15.45

Chair: Judith Devlin (School of History and Archives, UCD)

Sioban Nelson (University of Toronto): Introduction and Overview (Title TBC)

Susan Grant (Irish Research Council CARA Postdoctoral Fellow, University College Dublin and University of Toronto): ‘Creating Cadres of Professional Soviet Nurses, 1936-1941’

Don Filtzer (School of Law and Social Sciences, University of East London): ‘Soviet Factory Medicine during World War II’

Benjamin Zajicek (Towson University, US): ‘A Soviet System of Professions?: Professional Jurisdiction, Personal Rivalry, and the Creation of the Academy of Medical Sciences, 1944-1949’

15.45-16.15 REFRESHMENTS

SESSION 2: Women in Healthcare

16.15-17.45

Chair: Lindsey Earner-Byrne (School of History and Archives, UCD)

Laura Kelly (Irish Research Council Postdoctoral Fellow, School of History and Archives, UCD): “’She has broken down the barrier of bigotry and exclusiveness and forced her way into the profession’: Irish women in the medical profession, c. 1880s-1920s’
Dan Healey (University of Oxford, UK): ‘Professionalism, Gender, and Care-giving: Reflections on the history of Soviet medicine and the Gulag Medical Service’

Christopher Burton (University of Lethbridge, Canada): ‘Gendered Healthcare and Postwar Stalinism: Soviet Women Practicing Medicine, 1945-53’

Discussant: Melanie Ilic (University of Gloucestershire)

19.30 DINNER (Keshk)

Friday May 30

SESSION 3: Health Care and Professions in Comparative Context

10.00-11.30 Chair: Gerard Fealy (School of Nursing, Midwifery, and Health Systems, UCD)

Susan Solomon (Professor Emeritus, Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto): ‘Thinking Internationally, Acting Locally: Soviet Public Health as Cultural Diplomacy in the 1920s’

Paul Weindling (Wellcome Trust Research Professor in the History of Medicine, Oxford Brookes, UK): ‘Refugee Nurses in Great Britain, 1933-1945’

Anne-Marie Rafferty (Dean and Chair of Nursing Policy, Kings College, London): ‘Nursing and decolonisation: the role of nursing during the ‘second colonial occupation’ in Malaya, 1946-55’ (with Rosemary Wall, University of Hull)

Discussant: Fran Bernstein (Drew University, US)

11.30-12.00: REFRESHMENTS

SESSION 3: Roundtable

12.00-13.00

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