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The 28th Annual BOPA Conference  
3-5 October 2025 | ICC Belfast

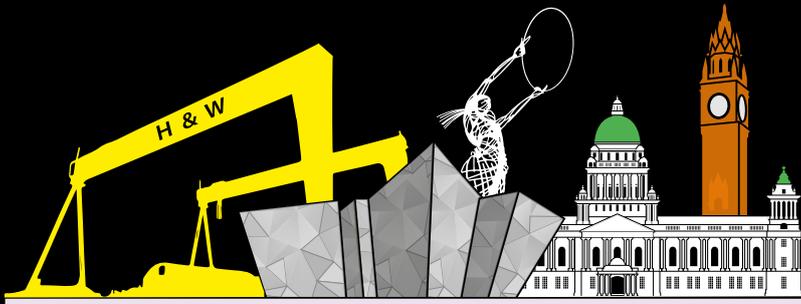
## DRAFT AGENDA

All main plenary sessions and the bopa annual general meeting (agm) will be held in the main auditorium.

### Friday 3 October

From 10.00	<b>Registration, refreshments and exhibition opens</b> Tea, coffee and biscuits served in the exhibition hall			
10:30–10:45	<b>Welcome introduction</b> <i>Speakers:</i> Joseph Williams, BOPA Chair & Professor Cathy Harrison, Chief Pharmaceutical Officer, Belfast			
10:45–11:30	<b>Funding across the nations: compare and contrast</b> <i>Speakers:</i> James Richardson (CDF England), Tracy Parry (Wales), Jennifer Laskey (SMC, Scotland) & Chris Garland, Senior Principal Pharmaceutical Officer (Northern Ireland)			
11:30–12:00	<b>Pharmaceutical conundrums in cancer related thrombosis</b> <i>Speaker:</i> Dr Gary Benson, Consultant Haematologist, Belfast Trust			
12:00–12:45	<b>Industry-sponsored satellite</b> <i>Hall 2A</i>	<b>Industry-sponsored satellite</b> <i>Hall 2B</i>		
12:45–14:00	<b>Buffet lunch</b> Served in the exhibition hall			
14:00–14:25	<b>Pharmacy Leadership (UKPPL)</b> <i>Speakers:</i> Speakers to be confirmed			
14:25–14:55	<b>Cancer aspects of Darzi in community and primary care pharmacy</b>			
15:00–15:45	<b>BREAKOUT 1</b> <b>Poster into publication: Practical advice</b> Speakers to be confirmed	<b>BREAKOUT 2</b> <b>Tips on skin cancer in the pharmacy</b> Dr Peter Acheson Consultant Dermatologist The Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust	<b>BREAKOUT 3</b> <b>Endocrinology</b> Dr Neil Black Consultant Western Trust	
15:45–16:30	<b>Industry-sponsored satellite</b> <i>Hall 2A</i>	<b>Industry-sponsored satellite</b> <i>Hall 2B</i>		
16:30–17:15	<b>Exhibition &amp; networking with refreshment break</b> Served in the exhibition hall			
	<b>BREAKOUT 1</b> <b>Clinical Update – Solid</b> (Advanced)	<b>BREAKOUT 2</b> <b>Clinical Update – Haematology</b> (Advanced)	<b>BREAKOUT 3</b> <b>Hot Topics</b>	<b>BREAKOUT 4</b> <b>Paediatrics and Teenage and Young Adult (TYA)</b>
17:15–17:45	<b>Breast Update</b> Helen Flint, Suzanne Frank & Michal Sladkowski	<b>Myeloma Update</b> Dr Conal McConville Consultant Haematologist Western Trust	<b>Ophthalmic complications of oncology drugs</b> Ann Marie Goacher Specialist Head and Neck Pharmacist University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust	<b>Introduction to paediatrics and TYA</b> Speaker to be confirmed
17:55–18:35	<b>Colorectal Update</b> Dr Catherine Hanna & David Mace	<b>Infective complications of Bispecific Therapies and the role of prophylaxis</b> Dr Patrick Elder Consultant Haematologist Western Trust	<b>Follow your heart - cardiotoxicity in 2025</b> Dr Gerard Walls Consultant Belfast Trust and Queens University	<b>Transition from paediatrics and TYA to Adults</b> Speaker to be confirmed
18:35–20:30	<b>Poster viewing session led by the Research Committee</b> Join us in the exhibition hall for a light buffet supper whilst viewing the abstract posters. Authors will be present to discuss their posters with you.			

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### Saturday 4 October

06:45–07:45	<b>5K BOPA Run</b> Meet outside the Hilton Hotel, next door to the ICC			
07:30–08:15	<b>Industry-sponsored satellite with breakfast</b>			
08:15–08:20	<b>Welcome introduction to day 2</b> Speaker: Joseph Williams, BOPA Chair			
08:20–09:00	<b>Keynote session</b> Speaker: Taiwo Owatemi Member of Parliament for Coventry North West			
09:00–09:30	<b>Compassion in chemotherapy clinics</b> Speaker: Dr Feargal McNicholl, Consultant Haematologist, Western Trust			
09:30–10:30	<b>BOPA Annual General Meeting (AGM)</b> For members of BOPA Only			
10:30–11:10	<b>Networking with refreshment break</b> Served in the exhibition hall			
11:10–12:15	<b>Poster discussion session – The best abstracts chosen for plenary</b> BOPA is proud to host this year's plenary session showcasing excellence in oncology pharmacy research. This session will include five 10-minute presentations featuring the best abstracts in three categories—original research, audit and innovation			
12:15–13:00	<b>Industry-sponsored satellite</b> Hall 2A		<b>Industry-sponsored satellite</b> Hall 2B	
13:00–14:15	<b>Buffet lunch</b> Served in the exhibition hall			
	<b>BREAKOUT 1</b> <b>Clinical Update – Solid (Basic)</b>	<b>BREAKOUT 2</b> <b>Clinical Update – Haematology (Basic)</b>	<b>BREAKOUT 3</b> <b>Research</b>	<b>BREAKOUT 4</b> <b>Pharmacy Technician's</b>
14:15–15:15	<b>Antibody–drug conjugates (ADCs) in solid tumours</b> Dr Conor O'Neill Consultant Oncologist Western Trust  <b>Prostate Update</b> Dr Darren Brady Consultant Oncologist Western Trust	<b>Haematology the Science &amp; Oncogenesis</b> Dr Aaron Niblock Consultant Haematologist Northern Trust	<b>Highly commended posters</b>	<b>Impact of Technician support in patient medication reconciliation &amp; counselling</b> Amanda Sheerin Senior Pharmacy Technician Western Trust & Dr Ruth Miller Lead Research Pharmacist Western Trust
15:15–15:50	<b>Networking with refreshment break</b> Served in the exhibition hall			
15:50–16:35	<b>Industry-sponsored satellite</b> Hall 2A		<b>Industry-sponsored satellite</b> Hall 2B	
16:35–17:30	<b>The psychology of renewal: seeking purpose and meaning in life and work</b> Speaker: Shane Martin			
17:30	<b>Close day 2</b> Speaker: Joseph Williams, BOPA Chair			
From 19.30	<b>Awards Dinner</b> The Titanic Museum			

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### Sunday 5 October

08:50–09:00 **Welcome introduction to day 3**  
Speaker: Joseph Williams, BOPA Chair

09:00–09:40 **What's coming next in the world of systemic cancer treatments?**  
Speaker: Dr Elaine Vickers, PhD, founder of Science Communicated Ltd.

09:45–10:30 **Industry-sponsored satellite**

SPLIT INTO ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS

10:30–11:15 **BREAKOUT 1**  
Pharmacy Technicians

**BREAKOUT 2**  
Genomics

**BREAKOUT 3**  
Journal Club

**BREAKOUT 4**  
Credentialing

11:15–11:45 **Networking with refreshment break**  
Served in the exhibition hall

11:45–12:15 **Palliative care for the future – developing the pharmacist's role**  
Speakers: Grace Elliott & Fiona O'Neill

12:15–12:45 **Research**  
Speaker: Dr Ruth Miller, Lead Research Pharmacist, Western Trust

12:45–13:15 **Current AI landscape within Oncology**  
Speaker: Danny Ruta

13:15–13:30 **Summary of key themes, challenges and close**  
Speaker: Joseph Williams, BOPA Chair

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