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Prevention, Cure & Care for Neurodegenerative Diseases

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Clinical Symposium:
Less Common and Young-Onset Dementias

Trinity Centre, Tallaght University Hospital

Friday 27th November 2026

10.30-15.00

10.30-11.00 Registration

11.00-11.10 Opening remarks

Minister Kieran O'Donnell, Minister of State at the Department of Health

Session 1: Lived experience

11.10-11.25 Lived experience of familial FTD

Cian Adams and Jordan Adams, FTD Brothers

11.25-11.35 Lived experience of familial Alzheimer's disease

Andrea Egan

11.35-12.05 COFFEE BREAK

Session 2: Familial dementia

12.05-12.30 Genetic testing in dementia

Dr Antoinette O'Connor, Tallaght University Hospital

Trinity College Dublin
Coláiste na Tríonóide, Baile Átha Cliath
The University of Dublin

12.30-12.55 Familial Alzheimer's disease

Dr Natalie Ryan, UCL Queen Square Institute of Neurology

12.55-13.20 Frontotemporal and Familial Frontotemporal Dementia

Dr Robert Durcan, Mayo University Hospital

13.20-14.00 LUNCH

Session 3: Support and Service Development

14.00-14.25 Rare dementia support

Nikki Zimmermann, Rare Dementia Support

14.25-14.40 Genetic Counselling and Predictive Testing for Neurodegenerative Disorders

Eoin Hanney, Children's Health Ireland

14.40-15.05 Setting up a Young-onset and Atypical Dementia Service: Initial Experience

Professor Marwa Elamin, University Hospital Galway

15.05-15.15 Closing remarks

Dr Sean O'Dowd, Tallaght University Hospital