



The Irish Society of Physicians in Geriatric Medicine is the EuGMS member society.

Comprises over 150 Specialist Geriatricians.

The ISPGM is involved in advocacy, providing expert advice for both the public and politicians/health service managers regarding healthcare for older persons.

The Irish Gerontological Society (IGS) is an all-Ireland Inter-disciplinary professional organisation what enables research and education on ageing that translate into improved and age-attuned practices and policies. The annual scientific meeting will be held in Athlone this year October 3-5th 2024 <https://www.irishgerontology.com>

Ireland has a population just over 5 million people – the percent over 65 years is rising – 13.4% on census 2016 rising to 15.5% in 2022.

There are over 150 Consultant Geriatricians in Ireland, practicing mainly in Acute Hospitals but also in Community and integrated posts, Stroke medicine, Rehabilitation, Memory clinics, nursing homes/long-term care facilities and medical education and research.

What happened in Irish Geriatrics in 2023? - In April 2023 the Assisted Decision-Making (Capacity) Act 2015 was brought into Law. This act provides for the individual's right of autonomy and self-determination to be respected. Every adult will be presumed to have the right to make decisions unless determined otherwise. It establishes a tiered system of support arrangements for individuals who do need help.

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- Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland (Prof David Williams)
- University of Galway (Prof Martin O'Donnell, Prof Shaun O'Keefe)
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