



Multidisciplinary Association of Spinal Cord Injury Professionals

28TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

THE INCOMPLETE PICTURE

Navigating the complexities of Spinal Cord Injury

19th November 2026

Wednesday 18th November 2026

19.30 – 21.00 'Mix and Mingle' buffet (available by pre-booking only)

Burleigh Court

Thursday 19th November 2026

PROGRAMME

08.30 – 09.00 Registration

09.00 - 09.20 Annual General meeting

Benita Hexter, MASCIP Committee Chairperson.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER – SPONSORED BY SECURE HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS

09.20 - 10.00 Recovery in incomplete cervical Spinal Cord Injury

Prof. Norbert Weidner, Medical Director of the Spinal Cord Injury Centre, Heidelberg University Hospital

10.00 - 10.15 From the Bottom Up: Defining the Occupational Therapy Role in Neurogenic Bowel Care after Spinal Cord Injury

Róisín Fitzgerald, Occupational Therapist, National Rehabilitation Hospital, Dublin

10.15 - 10.30 Colostomy following SCI: understanding risks and benefits

Michelle Boucher & Person with Lived Experience (TBC), Lead Stoma Care Clinical Nurse Specialist, Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust

10.30 - 10.45 Wallet sized life saver

Rebecca Mannion and Aileen Leonard, Patient Educator and Health Coaches, LSCIC RNOH

10.45 - 11.30 POSTER SESSION AND MORNING COFFEE

REHABILITATION OUTCOMES

11.30 - 11.45 Mid-High Assistive Technology Pilot Project

Katie McCarthy, Senior Occupational Therapist Spinal Injury & Assistive Technology

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11.45 -12.00 Clinical Outcomes in Upper Limb and Hand Rehabilitation Using Transcutaneous Spinal Cord Stimulation in Complete and Incomplete Tetraplegia: Two-Case Studies

Shiva Jamwal, Marcelo Rhode , Eva Sobonova, Occupational and Physiotherapist, INRES Ltd

12.00 – 12.15 Early real-world clinical outcomes following implementation of ARC-EX within a UK community spinal cord injury rehabilitation service

Catarina Carvalho; Marilla Cameron, Sean O'Sullivan, Marcelo Rohde, Roxanne Addison, Clinical Lead Spinal and Neuro rehabilitation Physiotherapist, Neurokinex

12.15 – 12.30 Paul Kennedy Award 2025 presentation –

Parvathy Mohan, Network Practice Educator- East Midlands Spinal Network Princess Royal Spinal Injuries Unit, Sheffield

12.30 – 13.45 LUNCH – REVIEW OF POSTERS/EXHIBITORS/NETWORKING

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13.45 – 14.25 Living a (n In-) Complete Life

Dr. Ian Thompson, Product Development Director at Tanni Grey-Thompson Limited

14:25 – 14:40 Facilitators and barriers to adhering to a regular standing-frame programme in the community following discharge from a specialist spinal cord injury centre.

Christopher Thornton, Senior Physiotherapist, The Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital (Stanmore)

14:40 – 14:55 The language of incomplete

Joe Robinson, Artist and Renewal Consultant

14:55 – 15:20 AFTERNOON TEA

UNDERSTANDING SCI ADMISSIONS

15:20 – 15:35 Wrong Place, Wrong Time: Optimising Admission Criteria for Spinal Cord Injury Rehabilitation

Nafisseh Jafarian, Specialty Doctor, Duke of Cornwall Spinal Treatment Centre- Salisbury

15:35 – 15:50 Evaluation and feedback from cohort 3 of a free Fundamentals of SCI MDT program

Pauline Scott and Emma Cook

15:50 – 16:05 Co-design of LSCIC post discharge digital FAQ's

Martin Chainani Social Worker, Emma Cook Physiotherapist/Education Lead, LCSCI RNOH



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16:05 – 16:20 Medically Fit, Systemically Stuck: Psychological and Clinical Impact of Delayed Discharge in a Specialist SCI Centre

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16:20 – 16:40 AWARDS and CONCLUSION

Benita Hexter, MASCIP Committee Chairperson.