

All-Ireland Social Work Research Conference
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TALKING POINTS:

Developing the Care Alliance Ireland Discussion Paper Series for students,
researchers and front-line workers

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PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

Care Alliance Ireland and Research
Conceptualising the Discussion Paper Series
Let's Get Awkward!
Dissemination Strategies
Feedback
Where To Next?



CARE ALLIANCE AND RESEARCH



CONCEPTUALISING THE DISCUSSION PAPER SERIES

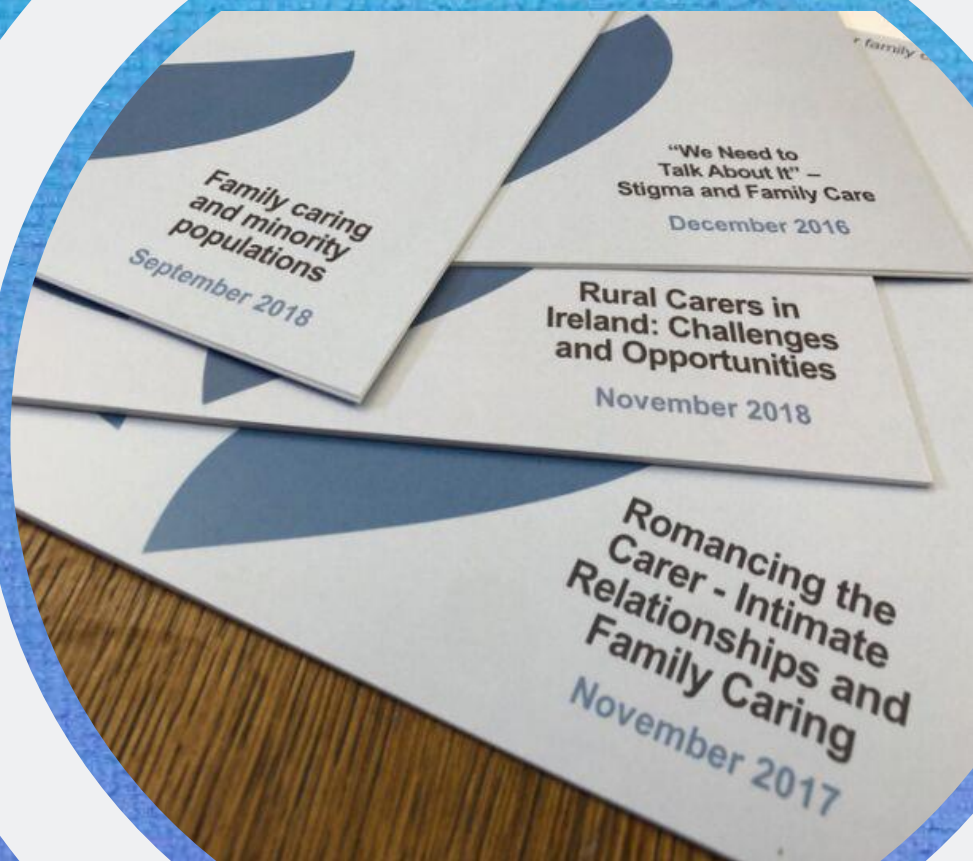
*Ideas from members and
sectoral colleagues
Written by Policy &
Research Officer
Reviewed internally &
externally
Proof-read
Designed*

*Make research accessible
Highlight issues relevant
to family carers
Broach difficult subjects
Inform policy and
practice*

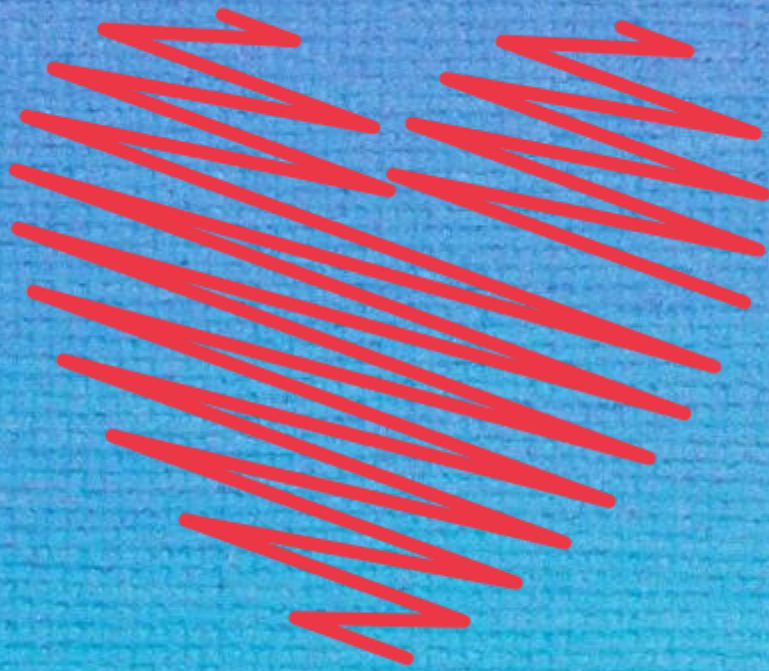
*Literature review
Discussions with sectoral
colleagues
Key focus on OUTCOMES –
for RESEARCH, POLICY and
PRACTICE
Accessible language and
design features*

PAPERS TO DATE

- Defining Carers
- Intellectual Disability, Caring and Role Reversal
- Online Supports for Family Carers- Options & Experiences
- The Wisdom of Family Carers
- "We Need to Talk About It"- Stigma & Family Care
- Disability and Family Carer Policy - Challenges and Responses
- Romancing the Carer - Intimate Relationships and Family Caring
- Difficult Relationships and Family Caring
- Family Caring and Minority Populations
- Rural Carers in Ireland - Challenges & Opportunities



LET'S GET AWKWARD!



Bad relationships

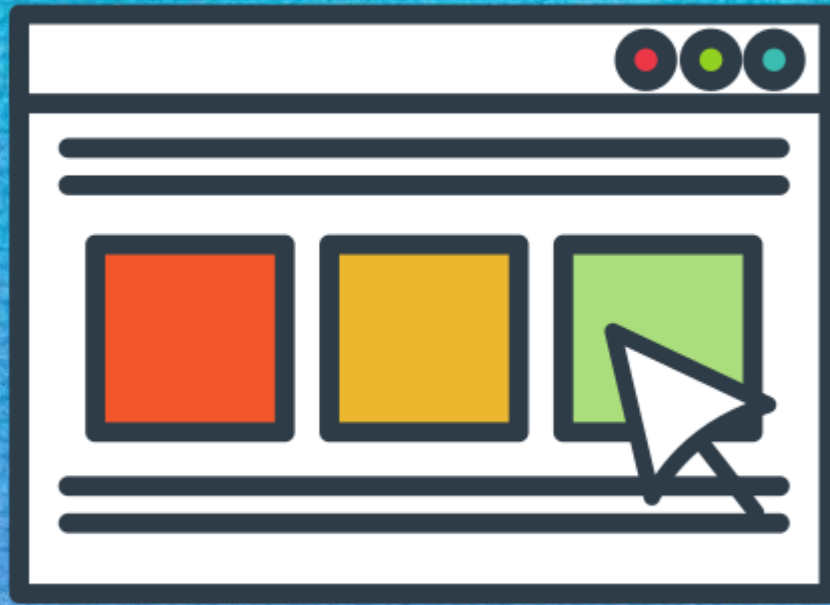


Sex



Race

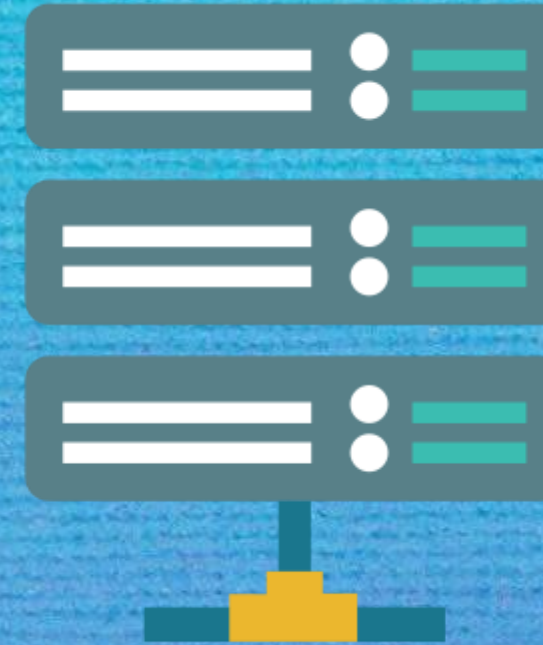
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Dissemination (incl.
targetted ads where
appropriate)



Email:
Members
List-serv
Research Groups
Targetted policy
makers etc.



Online repositories



Printed copies at
events
Member mailouts

READERSHIP

Top 3 downloads to date

- 1) DP 1: Defining Carers (4042)
- 2) DP 5: "We Need to Talk About It"- Stigma & Family Care (2961)
- 3) DP 3: Discussion Paper 3: Online Supports for Family Carers- Options & Experiences (2929)

Total Downloads from
CAI Website:

18035

FEEDBACK

Read your discussion paper on caring and stigma last week, thought it did a very good job of broaching what's an interesting issue and one generally approached obliquely through another subject, but quite unexplored by itself."

As a family carer I couldn't argue with any of the findings and comments made by carers in the report. I think is an accurate picture of how many carers feel. I found their comments in fact very reassuring- often what I think, feel and know but don't say. As a result I feel closer to other carers even though I don't know them

I just wanted to let you know how interesting and useful I found your discussion paper on carer terminology. This is a huge issue for us in Denmark, so I have already shared the paper with several others - and I hope to use the spring meeting of our national network of carer organisations and researchers to start a debate on how we in Denmark can accurately and sensitively refer to carers in our own language.

WHERE TO NEXT?



- Co-authorship with member organisations/ sector colleagues?
- Co-authorship with family carers?
- More 'fun' topics?
- Expand to include original research more?

THANK YOU!



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