



AIM OF POSTER

To outline the progress of the Palliative Care for All programme and outline the changes that have taken place with regard to service developments, education responses; policy perspectives and research and plans for the next phase

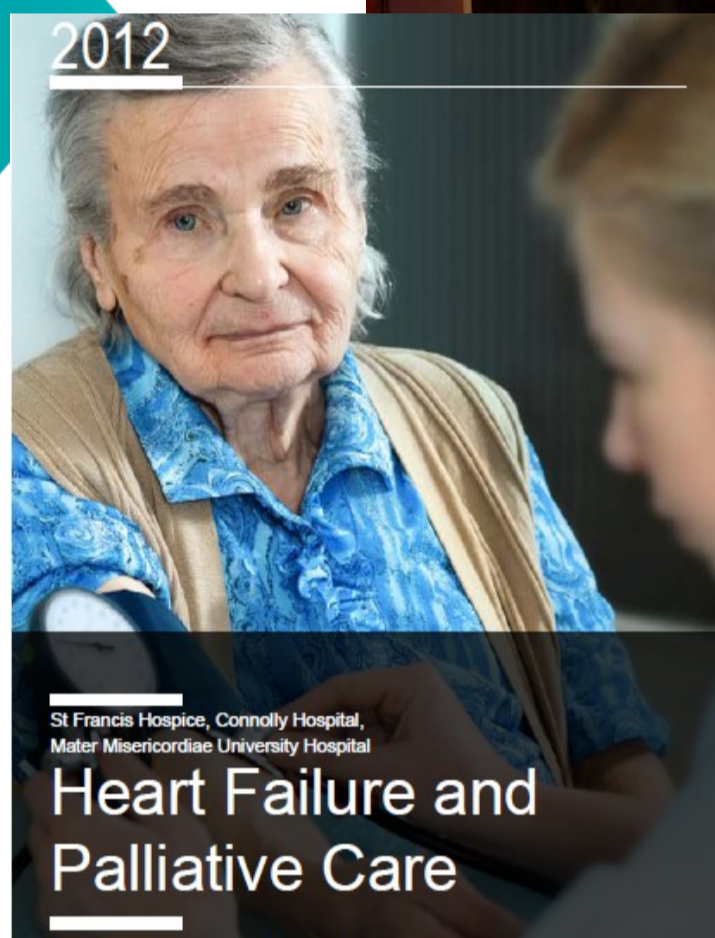
SERVICE DEVELOPMENTS

The Palliative care **Action Research Projects**, addressing heart failure, advanced respiratory disease and dementia have been completed.

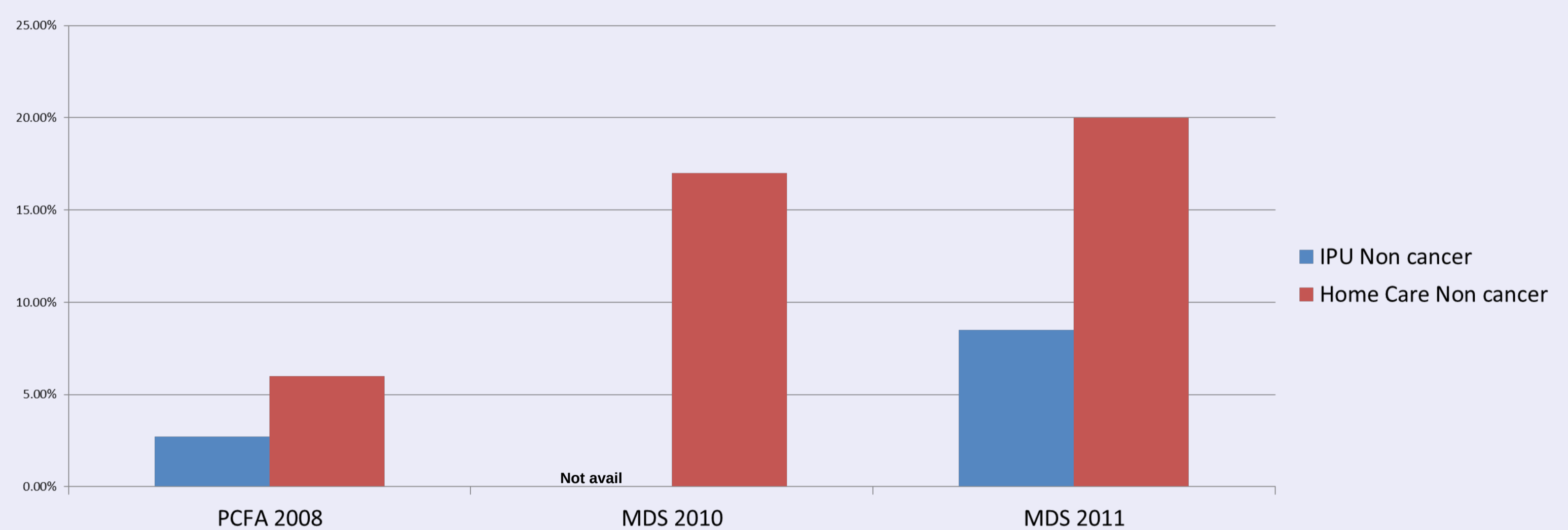
- The projects have developed care pathways, information leaflets, education materials.
- Posters and oral presentations have been delivered nationally and internationally; with several prizes and commendations awarded to the Respiratory Disease Project
- Emerging themes from a review of the organisational learning from these projects have demonstrated the complexities in developing palliative care for these patient groups and the challenges associated with crossing boundaries between specialist teams despite widespread support
- Reports now available the work of these projects (HF report due to be published May 2013)

Building Consensus for the Future

Report of the Feasibility Study on Palliative Care for People with Dementia



Changes in levels of non-malignant access to SPC



Increasing trends, although not yet at UK Minimum Data Set rates

EDUCATION

- High demand for education events linked to action research projects and Palliative Care for All Conference: Bridging the Gap Sept 2012 was oversubscribed.
- Development of Competence framework in Palliative Care (HSE/AIIHPC/IHF/IAPC) will support undergraduate and post graduate training
- SPC education centres Increasing availability on courses in palliative care and non malignant disease

POLICY

The following policy related **documents** have been published which reference the need for palliative care as part of disease specific programmes

- Creating excellence in dementia: A research review for a dementia strategy. *Cahill; O'Shea & Pierce 2012*
- Changing Cardiovascular Health: National Cardiovascular Strategy 2010-2019 *DOHC 2010*

The **HSE Clinical Strategy and Programmes** were established to improve and standardise patient care and to share innovative solutions to deliver greater benefits to every user of HSE services. As part of its work programme the Palliative Care Clinical Programme has committed to support introduction of palliative care in the relevant disease specific programmes

RESEARCH

- It is planned to follow up the impact of the action research projects with Audits determining changes in length of stay and admissions, administration of medication and access to specialist services
- As part of their research strands, the AIIHPC is supporting a number of projects within the realm of non malignant disease, including needs of people with intellectual disability, carers of people with advanced heart failure and needs of people with serious mental illness

NEXT STEPS

- Preparing project proposal to support development of palliative care for those with End Stage Kidney Disease
- Preparing a position paper with the Neurological Association of Ireland on relevance of Palliative Care for those with Neurological Disease
- Heart Failure and palliative care seminar planned for May 2013
- Working with the Palliative Care clinical programme seek to consolidate and translate learning to date
- Seek to establish oversight group to support this work

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