





Governance Training for the Not-for-Profit Sector

Dublin March 1st 2016 Limerick March 8th 2016

In collaboration with The Carmichael Centre for Voluntary Organisations, we are delighted to be delivering two sessions on Governance for members of Care Alliance Ireland and other not-for-profit organisations with an interest in Governance.

Background

- There is increasing evidence that well-governed organisations are more successful, impactful and efficient.
- Funders, the public and others increasingly expect not-for-profit organisations to demonstrate high levels of governance.
- The Governance Code for voluntary and community organisations is becoming the default code for not-for-profits in their pursuit of and assessment of good governance.
- We in Care Alliance Ireland want to support your organisation in demonstrating high levels of governance.
- Care Alliance Ireland is committed to high levels of governance and has been fully compliant with the Governance Code since November 2013. In November 2015 the board reiterated its commitment to the Code.

Content of Workshop

- 1. Leadership & Control Mission, vision and values. Planning. Managing staff and/or volunteers. Legal and regulatory requirements. Internal financial and management controls. Risk management. Policies.
- 2. Transparency & Accountability Identify and communicate with stakeholders. Enable beneficiaries to engage with the organisation.
- **3. Working Effectively** Board roles and responsibilities. Managing meetings. Board recruitment, development and retirement.
- **4. Integrity** Honesty, fairness and independence. Conflicts of interests and loyalties. The organisation's reputation.



5. Case Study Care Alliance to present on its journey to compliance. Actions required for full compliance with the Code.

Participants should familiarise themselves with the guidelines for types A, B or C organisations on www.governancecode.ie in advance of the workshop.

For enquiries contact us at info@carealliance.ie
To book your place go to Eventbrite: http://bit.ly/1Z8kFTJ
If you cannot pay (via credit card) online at time of registration, please email info@carealliance.ie immediately to ensure you are fully registered.

Dates/Locations

March 1st 2016 – The Carmichael Centre for Voluntary Organisations, North Brunswick Street, Dublin 7.

March 8th 2016 – Radisson Blu Hotel, Ennis Rd., Limerick.

The seminars will begin at 9:30 am and finish at 4:30 pm.

Outcomes

It is anticipated that, at the end of the training, seminar participants will:

- Have increased knowledge of what "good governance" means
- Be confident in supporting the progression towards better governance within their own organisation
- Consider being the "Governance Champion" within their own organisation (as appropriate)
- Understand how a small NGO (Care Alliance Ireland) has become a wellgoverned organisation, with relative ease
- Know how to sign up to the Governance Code
- Understand the Governance Code in the context of charities regulation.

Costs

Thanks to the funding we have received, the fee for participation is nominal, at €30 for the full day. We commit to pooling the registration fund, and one of the attendee organisations will be randomly selected to receive the total amount collected as a donation, i.e. one community group will walk away with up to €600.

Registration

Places are limited and are reserved on a first-come-first-served basis. To register go to Eventbrite http://bit.ly/1Z8kFTJ before close of business on Monday 15th February 2016.



Detailed Schedule

9:30 am	Registration/networking/tea/coffee
10:00 am	The Governance Code, Leadership & Control
	(Derek O'Reilly, The Carmichael Centre)
11:15 am	Refreshment break/networking
11:30 am	Transparency & Accountability
	(Derek O'Reilly, The Carmichael Centre)
1:00 pm	Lunch
2:00 pm	Care Alliance Ireland's journey to being compliant with the
	Governance Code
	(Liam O' Sullivan, Executive Director, Care Alliance Ireland)
2:30 pm	Working Effectively
	(Derek O'Reilly, The Carmichael Centre)
3:30 pm	Break/networking
3:45 pm	Integrity, Signing up to the Code
	(Derek O'Reilly, The Carmichael Centre)
4:30 pm	Finish

Biographies of Presenters/Facilitators

Liam O'Sullivan, Care Alliance Ireland



Liam works as the Executive Director of Care Alliance Ireland, an alliance of over 100 not-for-profit organisations supporting Family Carers. He holds professional qualifications in social work, youth and community work, and social research. His work with Care Alliance has included bringing National Carers Week to Ireland, developing collaborative and impactful relationships in Family Carer research with third-level institutions, and progressing the development of Carer Needs Assessments within the InterRAI suite of assessment tools. He places a

particularly high value on the need for the not-for-profit sector to demonstrate high levels of governance, and the level of detail provided in his organisation's annual Directors' Report and Financial Statement gives expression to this.

Derek O'Reilly, The Carmichael Centre



Derek O'Reilly is Training Manager with the Carmichael Centre. He coordinates and delivers training and development programmes and customised training for boards and managers. Derek has been involved with the Governance Code Working Group since its inception and is on the Governance Code Communications sub-committee. Derek has many years' experience of governance and management of charities in Ireland, Africa and Eastern Europe.

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