

# Inclusive Research Network

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The Inclusive Research Network (IRN) is a group of researchers and supporters from all over Ireland.

These are the **ACHIEVEMENTS** of the IRN:

## Reports



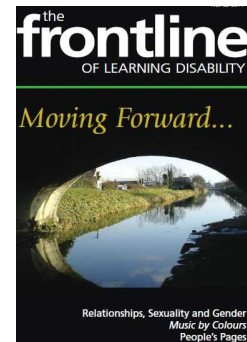
## Conferences and seminars presentations



## Presentations with government bodies



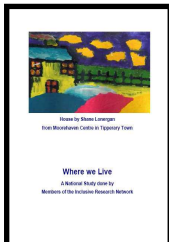
## Articles for magazines and journals



We have published 3 REPORTS:



The Inclusive Research Network - A Participatory Action Research Project (2009)



Where we Live - A National Study done by Members of the Inclusive Research Network (2009)



Relationships and Supports Study: People with Intellectual Disabilities in Ireland (2010)

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We have presented at **CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS**

We have presented at conferences in Ireland, Italy and Scotland:



- NDA Annual Conference (Dublin, October 2009).
- National Self Advocacy Conference (Dublin, November 2010).
- IASSID European Symposium (Rome, October 2010).
- Pavilion Conference on Sexuality (Dublin, February 2011).
- Scottish Consortium of Learning Disability's conference (Perth, June 2011)

We have been invited to present at the next NDA conference in 2011 on the relationships and supports study

We have presented our reports in

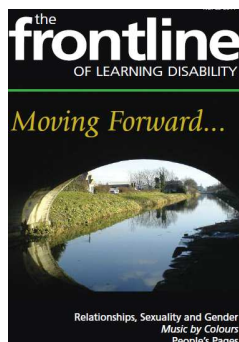
## **INFORMATION SHARING MEETINGS WITH GOVERNMENT BODIES**



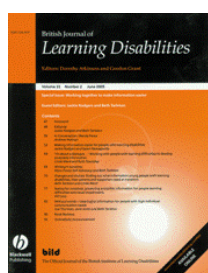
Some of the IRN members took part in an information sharing meeting on reform of the sexual offences act held in the offices of the Law Reform Commission in March 2011.

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We have written **ARTICLES** for magazines and journals



An IRN member, Brian Donahoe, has written an article in Frontline magazine about the Relationships and Supports study.



We are writing an article for the British Journal of Learning Disabilities. We hope to see it in the journal next summer.

People in **OTHER COUNTRIES** are interested in the way we do research



People with intellectual disabilities, supporters and paid professional researchers from other countries have learned from what we did. They have set up their own networks in:

- Sydney, Australia
- Tempere, Finland.

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This is what of the IRN members said about doing research

I feel more confident, relaxed. It's an important topic. From this experience I'm more used to public speaking. This might inspire other people to do the same. (Ger Minogue, Clare)



I felt very good about it. It has given me something to do. If you have nothing to do you can do nothing. It keeps people working. I'd like to do more research like this. I could do more. (Marie Deely, Clare)



It was good. I like to listen to people. Listening is important. I'd like to do more. It was hard and we learned a lot. (Martin Dooher, Galway)



In the inclusive research network, we are learning from each other, co – researchers with intellectual disabilities, academic researchers. Academic researchers are learning from people with intellectual disabilities. (Marie Wolfe, Galway)



Doing research is good. You learn more. (Padraig McDonagh, Galway)



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