

Time	Wed 19/08/09	Thurs 20/08/2009	Friday 21/08/2009	Saturday 22/08/2009
07:00		Registration (Registration desk attended all day)	Registration (Registration desk attended all day)	Registration (Registration desk attended all day)
08:00		POSTER PRESENTATIONS		Registration
9 to 10.30	DSMIGS DS RESEARCH DS SYNOD	LIFE POSSIBILITIES & ACHIEVING FULL POTENTIAL 9.00 Opening Address 9.20 President of Ireland 9.40 LIFE POSSIBILITIES 10.00 Live dance presentation (Counterbalance)	PROMOTING GOOD HEALTH & WELL BEING Introduction Prof Hilary Hoey Childhood -Dr. Liz Mardar Adolescents -J Murphy Mental Wellness Adults & Ageing Dennis McGuire Nutrition & Lifestyle (Joan Medlen)	EFFECTIVE EDUCATION & INCLUSION Benefits of Inclusion & Keys to Success Preschool / Primary /Secondary Encouraging Literacy at home and school (Gillian Bird) Encouraging Social Inclusion Transition from School / Adult ongoing Education Dr. Patricia O'Brien
10.30 to 11.00		POSTER PRESENTATIONS		Refreshment BREAK
11.00-12.30	DSMIGS DS RESEARCH DS SYNOD	POSITIVE SUPPORT IN EARLY YEARS Genetics – David Patterson Lessons Learned & Family Needs (B. Cohen) Early Intervention (Sheila Macken) Parents perceptions of family needs	SUPPORTING GOOD COMMUNICATION, LANGUAGE & LEARNING Ensuring Best Possible Hearing (Patrick Sheehan) Promoting Clear Speech C.Ni Cholmain Promoting Language & Communication Libby Kumin Ensuring Best Possible Vision M Woodhouse	ENSURING GOOD QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ADULTS Social Needs of young people – Roy Brown (to include sexuality, relationships, friends & marriage) Independent Community Living Providing a range of Living options Increasing employment options
12.30 to 1.30		POSTER PRESENTATIONS		LUNCH
1.30-2.45		MEET THE EXPERTS		
2.45 – 3.15	DSMIGS DS RESEARCH DS SYNOD	Genetics Breaking news Early Intervention Parent Perceptions Life Possibilities Family Needs	Health Mental Wellness Nutrition & Lifestyles Hearing Speech & Language Vision Fitness	Education Transition from School Needs, QOL & Behaviour, Friendships Employment Independent Living & Housing Legal Issues
3.15 – 4.30		POSTER PRESENTATIONS		Refreshment BREAK
		Workshops & Paper Presentations Concurrent Sessions		
		Early Development Learning through Play Breaking news Genetics Life possibilities Parent Perceptions Moms Dads Grandparents Siblings Expectant parents	Health Mental Wellness Hearing Language Vision Sexuality Friendships Aging Quality of Life Spirituality	Education Positive Behaviour Transition from School Employment Relationships Legal Issues Family Concerns Independent Living World Issues Gen Assembly 3pm A Tribute -Jo Mills Jo Mill's Keynote Lecture International UN rights of people with Disabilities by Gerard Quinn CLOSING CEREMONY
6.30pm	STATE RECEPTION	Welcome Reception	Impromptu Entertainment	Gala Dinner

Programmes for children and adults with Down Syndrome to run in parallel with above sessions