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Brenda's PhD thesis (Reconfiguration of emergency and urgent care systems in Ireland from 2006: analysis of quantitative performance indicators at a population level) was completed in the School of Public Health in UCC in 2019. She received a fully funded HRB scholarship as part of the SPHeRE PhD programme to complete this research. It resulted in three peer reviewed publications.

She has worked as a part of many multi-disciplinary research teams including SIREN (Study of the Impact of Reconfiguration on Emergency and Urgent Care Networks in UCC), MAMMI (Maternal health and maternal morbidity in Ireland in TCD), EPICC (Evidence for Policies to Prevent Chronic Conditions in UCC). While her research track record is predominately health economics/population health based, her recent focus is on entrepreneurial training and skills to support entrepreneurs in remote and rural areas with the Hincks Centre as part of an Interreg, NPA project.

To date, she has supervised two masters students (MSc in Occupational Health in UCC, MSc in Public Health) and is currently second supervisor to a PhD researcher in the School of Business. This research focuses on young adult health in Human Capital Theory and human capital interventions. To date she has 8 peer-reviewed journal articles and has presented at both national and international conferences for both oral and poster presentations.

**Third Level Education:**

2019-2020: University College Cork, Postgraduate Certificate in Teaching and Learning in Higher Education.

2014-2018: University College Cork, Ph.D. in Population Health and Health Services Research, School of Public Health.

2009-2010: University of Glasgow, Taught Masters in Economic Development.

2005-2009: University College of Cork, Bachelor of Commerce.

**Lecturing Experience:**

- September 2021- present (Full-time Assistant Lecturer): Department of Management and Enterprise, Munster Technological University
- January 2017- August 2021 (Assistant Lecturer): Centre for Policy Studies, University College Cork
- January 2017- August 2021 (Part time Lecturer): Department of Management and Enterprise, Munster Technological University
- Sept 2012 – September 2014 (Tutor/Occasional Lecturer): Centre for Policy Studies, University College Cork

**Publications:**

- “Variations in the Health Status of Irish Regions”. Kenneally, M. and Lynch, B., 2013. Value in Health, 16(7), p.A485.
- “Why do drug prescribing rates differ across Irish Regions” Kenneally, M., Lynch B. Pharmacoconomics 1:106, March 2016. doi: 10.4172/2472-1042.1000106
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- “An interrupted time-series analysis of the impact of emergency department reconfiguration on regional emergency department trolley numbers in Ireland from 2005 to 2015”. Lynch, B., Browne, J., Buckley, C.M., Healy, O., Corcoran, P. and Fitzgerald, A.P., BMJ open, 9(9), p.e029261. Published 2019
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