

Happy New Year!

Dear Members,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy New Year. 2014 was an exceptionally busy and productive year for our Association with highlights including:

Receiving a formal commitment from the Minister with responsibility for Mental Health to regulate Counselling and Psychotherapy

Membership numbers rising above 3,600

Purchasing and moving to a modern Headquarters – click [HERE](#) to view some photos of the new office

More free and low cost workshops being offered to Members

- Accreditation of **286** new Members
- An Independent review of IACP's Governance carried out by Boardmatch Ireland
- Higher Member numbers attending workshops and seminars than any previous year
- Members voting to move to Annual Accreditation (from January 2016)
- Accreditation of **1** new Course
- IACP receiving our highest ever level of media coverage
- The designing of a new look Éisteach Journal
- The hosting of a public talk on suicide prevention – click [HERE](#) to watch it.
- Accreditation of **26** new Supervisors
- IACP Committee Members receiving more training
- IACP gaining hundreds of social media followers in 2014 – the IACP Facebook Page now has **1738 Likes!**
- 49,000 IACP leaflets being distributed in over 2,100 locations around Ireland

In addition to continuing the above, we're looking forward to the following activity in 2015:

- Conducting a Public and Member survey (Behaviour & Attitudes)

- Introduction of IACP membership Cards (June 2015)
- IACP 2-day Annual Conference (16 & 17th October)
- Implementation of the Governance review recommendations
- Offering more IACP Webinars
- Publication of the revised IACP Code of Ethics
- Publication of IACP's Online Therapy policy
- A new look, easy-to-read, electronic newsletter (e-news) – from February 2015)
- Introduction of a new & improved CPD system

As ever, we look forward to your comments, questions and suggestions for the year ahead.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year,

Naoise Kelly

National Director.