HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY IN NI
Tony Cassidy
HISTORY

- From conversations at conferences to Chartership and Registration
- Pockets of HP research
  - Psychology at Coleraine and Magee
  - Sport Science at Jordanstown
  - Health Sciences at Jordanstown
  - Psychology at QUB
  - Public Health at QUB
THE GALWAY CONNECTION

- PSI Conference at NUI Galway 2007 – meeting to discuss Northern Ireland – Ireland collaboration
- Idea for DHP NI
- Joint organisation of PHM conference
- PHM Conference 2008 at UU – official launch of DHP NI
- Inaugural meeting on 28th January 2008
PROGRESS IN DHPNI

- PHM conference 2012, 2015
- DHP Annual Conference 20
- Public Lecture 2009 & 2010
- Cross-Divisional Forum 2010
- Annual careers in HP events
- Member roles on national committee, Chair, Chair of Training Committee, Chair of Membership Board, etc.
PROGRESS IN TRAINING

- First DL MSc in Health Psychology at UU 2010
- Doctorate in Health Psychology – validated but not yet accredited / approved
- Engagement with NI Government & Health Services
- Barriers – Economic - Political -
TAKING IT FORWARD

- Launching the Doctorate as a basis for commissioning
- Public Health / public event – Applied Psychology Network in PH
- Public event showcasing the Scottish HP success
- Continued / closer links with PSI DHP
THE RESEARCH AGENDA

- A healthy story! Largest research group at UU
- Good REF 2014 outcome
- Ambitious plans for 2020