

Cathy Connolly is CEO of GRCC (Galway Rape Crisis Centre). The focus of her work is to provide a professional, caring, and confidential counselling and support service for those in our community effected by sexual abuse and sexual violence.

As a former teacher and through her work in DEIS schools, she recognised the need to establish an Education Department in GRCC to develop Consent, Sexual Harassment and Disclosure trainings.

Cathy is a member of the Monitoring Committee of the Third National Framework Strategy on Domestic, Sexual, and Gender-Based Violence, led by the Department of Justice. She is a member of the Consent Implementation Framework Working Group in the University of Galway. She is Chair of the Connemara North & West School Completion Programme, working with students in DEIS schools and is also a member of the Galway/Roscommon Youthreach committee and Galway / Roscommon CYPSC Committee.

Cathy is chair of the Equality, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Resources Committee (EDI-HRC)