



**Director of Public Health Nursing**

**Grade Code 2801**

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 22 of the Health Act 2004, I hereby approve the qualifications, as set out hereunder, for the appointment and continuing as **Director of Public Health Nursing** in the Health Service Executive.

**1. Statutory Registration, Professional Qualifications, Experience, etc.**

(a) Eligible applicants will be those who on the closing date for the competition have the following:

(i)	Be registered, or be eligible for registration, in the Public Health Nursing Division of the Register of Nurses and Midwives maintained by the Nursing And Midwifery Board of Ireland [NMBI] (Bord Altranais agus Cnámhseachais na hÉireann).
<b>And</b>	
(ii)	Have 10 years nursing experience immediately prior to the closing date for applications of which 5 must have been in Public Health Nursing and 5 of the 10 years must have been at the level of Assistant Director of Public Health Nursing, CNM 2 or equivalent managerial role in a community setting, or above in the Irish Health Sector or an analogous role in another jurisdiction.  An aggregate of such experience as set out above will be acceptable.  The relevant roles must have been clinical and required maintenance of registration as a Public Health Nurse with NMBI.
<b>And</b>	
(iii)	Have successfully completed a post registration programme of study, as certified by the education provider, which verifies that the applicant has achieved a National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ) major academic Level 8 or higher award maintained by Quality & Qualifications of Ireland (QQI) or can provide written evidence from the Higher Education Institute that they have achieved the number of ECTS credits equivalent to a Level 8 Or higher standard in a health care or management related area.

**And**

(b) Candidates must possess the requisite clinical, leadership, managerial and administrative knowledge and ability for the proper discharge of the duties of the office.

**2. Annual Registration**

(i) On appointment, practitioners must maintain live annual registration in the Public Nursing Division of the Register of Nurses and Midwives maintained by the Nursing And Midwifery Board of Ireland [NMBI] (Bord Altranais agus Cnámhseachais nahÉireann).

**And**

(ii) Practitioners must confirm annual registration with NMBI to the HSE by way of the Annual Patient Safety Assurance Certificate (PSAC).

**3. Health**

Candidates for and any person holding the office must be fully competent and capable of undertaking the duties attached to the office and be in a state of health such as would indicate a reasonable prospect of ability to render regular and efficient service.

**4. Character**

Candidates for and any person holding the office must be of good character.

**Dated this Eleventh day of December two thousand and twenty four**



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**Anne Marie Hoey**  
**Chief People Officer**