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**APPLICATION FORM**

**Grade VII Senior Press Officer**

***Please read the explanatory notes at the end of this form prior to completing your application***

**APPLICANT DETAILS**

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| Position Applied For: | **Grade VII Senior Press Officer** |
| Campaign Reference No.: | **NCD0325** |
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| Name: |  |
| Mobile Telephone **(mandatory)**: |  |
| Email Address **(mandatory)**:  (You may provide more than one) |  |

**QUALIFICATIONS & ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

**This campaign is confined to staff who are currently employed by the HSE, TUSLA, other statutory health agencies\*, or a body which provides services on behalf of the HSE under Section 38 of the Health Act 2004 as per Workplace Relations Commission agreement -161867**

Eligible applicants will be those who on the closing date for the competition:

(a) Have satisfactory experience in an office under the HSE, TUSLA, other statutory health agencies, or a body which provides services on behalf of the HSE under Section 38 of the Health Act 2004 at a level not lower than that of Grade IV (or equivalent)

and

Have not less than two years satisfactory experience either in that office or in an office at a level not lower than that of Clerical Officer in the HSE, TUSLA, other statutory health agencies, or a body which provides services on behalf of the HSE under Section 38 of the Health Act 2004

and

(b) Candidates must possess the requisite knowledge and ability, including a high standard of suitability, for the proper discharge of the office.

Please complete these sections in full as all parts of this section will be assessed by a board of appropriate senior managers who will consider your experience in relation to the eligibility criteria and as part of a shortlisting exercise where applicable.

1. **Please indicate how you meet the grade requirement:**

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|  | **Yes (please tick)** | **Current Employer – Section/Division** |
| I currently meet the Qualifications & Eligibility Criteria listed above |  |  |

1. Please indicate below how your professional experience to date is relevant to the role of Grade VII Senior Press Officer and meets each remaining parts of the eligibility criteria for this post as listed below. Please limit your responses to a maximum of one page for each of the criteria.

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| In the space provided please provide examples of your experience in a press office or similarly dynamic, high-pressure, media-driven environment, demonstrating the ability to operate effectively under tight deadlines and manage complex communications challenges. |
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| In the space provided give examples of your experience across multiple areas of communications, including media relations, corporate communications, public relations, public information campaigns, and digital media strategies. This includes a track record of crafting and delivering effective messaging for a variety of audiences across multiple platforms. |

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| In the space provided provide examples that demonstrated ability to manage a diverse range of internal stakeholders, balancing competing priorities and expectations while maintaining a collaborative and solution-oriented approach to achieve shared objectives. |
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| In the space provided below provide examples of your expertise in project management, including planning, coordinating, and delivering large-scale, high-impact communications initiatives that align with organizational goals and drive measurable outcomes. |

### REFERENCE

Please provide details of one referee from your **current** employment (you must have a reporting line to this person).

Do you wish us to contact you prior to contacting your referee? Yes  / No

**1. Name and Job Title of Referee:**

**Dates From-To (MM/YY- MM/YY):**

**Professional Relationship to Candidate:**

**Postal Address:**

**Telephone Contact Details:** Mobile: Landline:

**Email Address:**

**General Declaration**

It is important that you read this Declaration carefully.

**Part 1:** Obligations Placed on Candidates who participate in The Recruitment Process.

The Public Service Management (Recruitment and Appointments) Act 2004 and Public Service Management (Recruitment and Appointments) Amendment Act 2013 makes very specific provisions in relation to the responsibilities placed on candidates who participate in recruitment campaigns and these are detailed in Section 4 of the Code of Practice issued under the Act.

These obligations are as follows:

Any canvassing by or on behalf of candidates shall result in disqualification and exclusion from the recruitment process. Candidates shall not:

* knowingly or recklessly make a false or a misleading application
* knowingly or recklessly provide false information or documentation
* canvass any person with or without inducements
* impersonate a candidate at any stage of the process
* knowingly or maliciously obstruct or interfere with the recruitment process
* knowingly and without lawful authority take any action that could result in the compromising of any test material or of any evaluation of it
* interfere with or compromise the process in any way

Any person who contravenes the above provisions, or who assists another person in contravening the above provisions, shall be guilty of an offence.

It is the policy of the HSE to report any such above contraventions to An Garda Siochana.

In addition, where a person found guilty of an offence was or is a candidate at a recruitment / selection process, then, in accordance with the Public Service Management (Recruitment and Appointments) Act 2004 and Public Service Management (Recruitment and Appointments) Amendment Act 2013.

* where he / she has not been appointed to a post, he / shall be disqualified as a candidate; and
* where he / she has been appointed as a result of that process, he / she shall forfeit that appointment

**Part 2**

**Declaration:** “I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief there is nothing in relation to my conduct, character or personal background of any nature that would adversely affect the position of trust in which I would be placed by virtue of my appointment to this position. I hereby confirm my irrevocable consent to the Health Service Executive to the making of such enquiries, as the Health Service Executive deems necessary in respect of my suitability for the post in respect of which this application is made.

I hereby accept and confirm the entitlement of the Health Service Executive to reject my application or terminate my employment (in the event of a contract of employment having been entered into) if I have omitted to furnish the Health Service Executive with any information relevant to my application or to my continued employment with the Health Service Executive or where I have made any false statement or misrepresentation relevant to this application or my continuing employment with the Health Service Executive.

Furthermore, I hereby declare that all the particulars furnished in connection with this application are true, and that I am aware of the qualifications and particulars for this position. I understand that I may be required to submit documentary evidence in support of any particulars given by me on my Application Form. I understand that any false or misleading information submitted by me will render me liable to automatic disqualification or render me liable to dismissal, if employed.”

**Signed:**

*(Name of Applicant)*

**Date:**

NB: If you are submitting your application form via email we will accept the application form unsigned but you will be required to sign the Declaration at interview should you be invited to one. Failure to sign this declaration at interview will render it invalid.

**Explanatory notes:**

* Please download and refer to the ‘Additional Campaign Information’ document specific to this campaign which is available on <http://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/jobs/job_search/>.

# Please complete all areas of this application form in full and submit via email by the closing date. You do not need to sign but may be required to sign the General Declaration at a later date.

* Attachments should not exceed 3mb (zipped or unzipped) to avoid being quarantined as this may result in your application being received late.
* Correspondence in relation to this campaign will be issued via email, it is recommended that you check your spam and junk folders on a regular basis.
* The Health Service Executive will run this campaign in compliance with the Code of Practice prepared by the Commission for Public Service Appointments (CPSA). The Codes of Practice are available on the CPSA website [www.cpsa.ie](http://www.cpsa.ie/). Further information is also available in the Additional Campaign Information document.
* The Health Service Executive recognises its responsibilities under the Data Protection Acts 1988 to 2018 and the Freedom of Information Act 2014.

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| **Closing Date & Time** | ***24th September 2024 Please note:*** Late applications will not be accepted. |
| **How to submit your application** | By email only to: [commshr@hse.ie](mailto:commshr@hse.ie), using the subject line **Grade V Communications Executive – Press & Media Team**  You should receive a confirmation email within 2 working days. If you have not received a confirmation email (having checked your spam/junk), please email [commshr@hse.ie](mailto:commshr@hse.ie) to verify that your email has been received. |
| **For queries on the recruitment process** | Please contact  aghna.harte@hse.ie  For queries specifically relating to the role please contact the named person on the Informal Enquiries section on the Job Specification. |
| **Anticipated Interview Date(s)** | Proposed interview dates will be indicated at a later stage. Please note you may be called forward for interview at short notice**.** |

**Data Privacy Statement**

The HSE is committed to protecting your privacy and takes the security of your information very seriously. The HSE aims to be clear and transparent about the information we collect about you and how we use that information.

* Information on the HSE Candidate Data Privacy , is available on the website
* Information on the General Data Protection Regulation is available at [HSE General Data Protection Regulation](https://www.hse.ie/eng/gdpr)
* Information on HSE record retention periods is available at <https://assets.hse.ie/media/documents/Record_Retention_Periods_Policy.pdf>

The following statements will apply to you on submission of your application: I acknowledge that by submitting this application the HSE will communicate with me by various means (such as phone, email, SMS) regarding my application during the recruitment process.

I understand that if at any point I wish to stop receiving communications( in any format) from the HSE regarding this application and any future generated panel as a result of this campaign that I may contact the HSE (through the nominated contact on the Additional Campaign Information) and explicitly request to be removed from future communications. In doing so I understand that I will no longer receive any communications or Expression of Interests notifications for roles from this campaign.

**Protected Disclosure**

Pursuant to the Protected Disclosures Act 2014, as amended, a person that acquires information on a relevant wrongdoing during a recruitment process is a ‘worker’ and can make a protected disclosure about the wrongdoing. For more information about making a protected disclosure to the HSE, please visit <https://www.hse.ie/eng/about/who/protected-disclosures/> or email [protected.disclosures@hse.ie](mailto:protected.disclosures@hse.ie)