

## Director of Nursing, Mental Health Services - Grade Code 2526

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 Nursing**, **Mental Health Services**.

# 1. Professional Qualifications, Experience, etc

- (a) Candidates must, on the latest date for receiving completed application forms for the office:
  - (i) Be registered in the Psychiatric Division of the Register of Nurses kept by An Bord Altranais or be entitled to be so registered.

and:

(ii) Have had adequate experience of psychiatric nursing.

and;

(iii) Have had satisfactory knowledge of psychiatric nursing administrative procedures.

and

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

and:

(c) Candidates must have undertaken training in management appropriate to the post.

### 2. Age

Age restriction shall only apply to a candidate where s/he is not classified as a new entrant (within the meaning of the Public Service Superannuation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 2004). A candidate who is not classified as a new entrant must be under 65 years of age on the first day of the month in which the latest date for receiving completed application forms for the office occurs.

### 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.

### 5. General

The holder of the office must maintain registration in the Psychiatric Division of the Register of Nurses kept by An Bord Altranais on an annual basis.

Dated this 2 day of December two thousand and eleven.

Séan McGrath.

National Director of Human Resources.