Assistant Director of Nursing, Mental Health Services - Grade Code 2542

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 Assistant 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.
      (ii) Have had adequate experience of psychiatric nursing
      (iii) Have had satisfactory knowledge of psychiatric nursing administrative procedures.
   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.
   c) Candidates must have undertaken training in management appropriate to the post.

2. Age
   Age restriction shall only apply to a candidate where he/she 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 be registered in the General Division of the Register of nurses kept by An Bord Altranais.

Dated this 03 day of April two thousand and nine.

Sean McGrath
National Director of Human Resources