Assistant Director of Public Health Nursing

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 18 of the Health Act 1970, I hereby approve qualifications as set out hereunder for appointment and continuing as Assistant Director of Public Health Nursing under a Health Board.

1. Professional Qualifications, Experience, etc

Candidates must, on the latest date for receiving completed applications for the post:

- (a) Be registered in the General Division of the Register of Nurses maintained by An Bord Altranais or be entitled to be so registered.
- (b) Be registered in the Midwives Division of the Register of Nurses maintained by An Bord Altranais or be entitled to be so registered.
- (c) Be registered in the Public Health Division of the Register of Nurses maintained by An Bord Altranais, or be entitled to be so registered.
- (d) Have not less than 5 years satisfactory experience in the office of Public Health Nurse or in an analogous post or an aggregate of 5 years such experience

Or

(e) Be a serving permanent Assistant Director of Public Health Nursing in the HSE

And

(f) Possess the requisite knowledge and ability (including a high standard of suitability and organising ability) for the proper discharge of the duties of 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.

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