



**Occupational Therapist, Clinical Specialist**

**Grade Code 3824**

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 **Occupational Therapist, Clinical Specialist** 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, on the Occupational Therapists Register maintained by the Occupational Therapists Registration Board at CORU.
<b>And</b>	
(ii)	Have five years full time (or an aggregate of five years) post registration qualification experience. Of which four years full time (or an aggregate of four years) post registration qualification clinical experience must be in the required area of Specialism.
<b>And</b>	
(iii)	Demonstrate a proven record of clinical excellence in the specialism.
<b>And</b>	
(iv)	Candidates must demonstrate evidence of continuing professional development relevant to the required area of specialism, in the form of post-graduate qualifications or relevant courses.
<b>And</b>	
(v)	Candidates must demonstrate achievement in the areas of clinical audit, quality improvement initiatives, practice development, teaching and research.
<b>And</b>	
(vi)	Provide proof of Statutory Registration on the Occupational Therapists Register maintained by the Occupational Therapists Registration Board at CORU before a contract of employment can be issued.
<b>And</b>	
(vii)	Candidates must possess the requisite knowledge and ability, (including a high standard of suitability, management, leadership and professional ability), for the proper discharge of the duties of the office.

**2. Annual registration**

(i)	On appointment practitioners must maintain annual registration on the Occupational Therapists Register maintained by the Occupational Therapists Registration Board at CORU.
<b>AND</b>	
(ii)	Practitioners must confirm annual registration with CORU 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 fifteenth day of July two thousand and twenty five**



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