



Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte  
Health Service Executive

**Orthoptist, Senior- Grade Code 3417**

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 **Orthoptist, Senior**.

**1. Professional Qualifications, Experience, etc**

(a) Eligible applicants will be those who on the closing date for the competition possess:

- (i) B.Sc (Hons) Orthoptics from Glasgow Caledonian University.  
**or**
- (ii) B.Sc (Hons) Orthoptics from the University of Liverpool.  
**or**
- (iii) BMed Sci (Hons) Orthoptics from the University of Sheffield.  
**or**
- (iv) A validated qualification equivalent to (i) or (ii) or (iii) above.  
**or**
- (v) Be registered as an Orthoptist with the Health & Care Professionals Council UK (HCPC).

**and**

(b) Candidates must have 3 years full-time post qualification clinical experience.

**and**

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

**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.

**Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October two thousand and thirteen.**

**Barry O'Brien,  
National Director of Human Resources**