



**Physiotherapist, Clinical Specialist**

**Grade Code 3707**

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 **Physiotherapist, 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 Physiotherapists Register maintained by the Physiotherapists Registration Board at CORU. <a href="https://coru.ie/health-and-social-care-professionals/education/approved-qualifications/physiotherapists/">https://coru.ie/health-and-social-care-professionals/education/approved-qualifications/physiotherapists/</a>
	<b>If you are a section 91 candidate, please see note *</b>
	<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 Physiotherapists Register maintained by the Physiotherapists 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 Physiotherapists Register maintained by the Physiotherapists 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**



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

### Note\*

Individuals who qualified before 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018 and are registered or have applied for registration under Section 91 of the Health and Social Care Professionals Act, 2005, must hold a Physiotherapy qualification approved by CORU in order to be eligible to apply. The list of approved qualifications under the Section 91 route can be accessed on the attached link: <https://coru.ie/files-registration/hse-list-of-physiotherapist-qualifications.pdf>

Section 91 candidates are individuals who qualified before 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018 and have been engaged in the practice of the profession in the Republic of Ireland for a minimum of 2 years fulltime (or an aggregate of 2 years fulltime), between 1st October 2016 and 30th September 2018 are considered to be Section 91 applicants under the Health and Social Care Professionals Act, 2005.