Radiographer, Clinical Specialist (Group A) - (Grade Code 3131)

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 a Radiographer, Clinical Specialist in the specialities of CT, MRI, Ultrasound, Nuclear Medicine, PET/CT, and Mammography (Group A) in the HSE.

1. Statutory Registration, Professional Qualifications, Experience, etc.

(a) Candidates for appointment must:

(i) Be registered on the Radiography Division of the Radiographers Register maintained by the Radiographers Registration Board at CORU.

Or

(ii) Applicants who satisfied the conditions set out in Section 91 of the Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005, (see note 1 below), must submit proof of application for registration with the Radiographers Registration Board at CORU. The acceptable proof is correspondence from the Radiographers Registration Board at CORU confirming the current status of their application for registration as a Section 91 applicant.

And

(iii) Have not less than 6 years full time (or an aggregate of 6 years) post qualification clinical experience.

And

(iv) Possess a recognised postgraduate course relevant to the specialism (Quality & Qualifications Ireland Level 9) as recognised by the IIRRT and have no less than 4 years practical clinical experience working in the speciality. Practical clinical experience will include time assigned to work in the relevant specialist area but needs to comply with the following breakdown:

- Pre commencement of a postgraduate course (maximum of 1 year* allowed);
- Time spent completing the post graduate course (maximum of 1 year** allowed);
- A minimum of 2 years experience* following
completion of a postgraduate course.  
*A minimum of 12 weeks assigned to work in the relevant specialised area will be required for each relevant year to be counted.  
**The research component of a postgraduate programme will count towards the post course time once the Radiographer has successfully completed the taught components of the programme.  

And

(v) **Requisite Knowledge & Ability**

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 relevant division of the Radiographers Register maintained by the Radiographers Registration Board at CORU.

And

(ii) Practitioners must confirm annual registration with CORU to the HSE by way of the annual Patient Safety Assurance Certificate (PSAC).

3. **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.

4. **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.

5. **Character**

Candidates for and any person holding the office must be of good character.

Dated this 11th day of April two thousand and eighteen

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Rosarii Mannion
National Director – Human Resources

*This criteria will expire on 30th September 2018.*
Note 1:

Section 91 candidates are individuals who qualified before the 31\textsuperscript{th} October 2013 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 31\textsuperscript{st} October 2008 and 30\textsuperscript{th} October 2013.

To be considered as a Section 91 applicant, individuals must have applied to CORU for registration prior to the 31\textsuperscript{th} October 2015.