

Resource Officer for Suicide Prevention, at the National Office for Suicide Prevention Grade Code 0582

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 **Resource Officer for Suicide Prevention**, at the National Office for Suicide Prevention.

1. Professional Qualifications, Experience, etc

- (a) Eligible applicants will be those who on the closing date for the competition:
 - (i) Hold a degree or professional qualification relevant to health, public health, health promotion or health care management.

and

(ii) Have experience of delivering programmes within mental health, psychiatric services or other areas such as community development, public health or health promotion.

and

(iii) Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the evidence base related to suicide prevention and mental health promotion.

and

(iv) Have demonstrated capacity to achieve results through cross-sectoral working with multiple stakeholders.

and

(b) Candidates must have at least 5 years postgraduate experience in health and social care settings and be currently employed in a management role.

and

(c) Candidates must possess 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. <u>Age</u>

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.

Yours sincerely,

Barry O'Brien,

National Director of Human Resources.

Dated this 28th day of January two thousand and fourteen.