

Social Work Principal

Grade Code: 350Y

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 **Social Work Principal** in the Health Service Executive.

1. Professional Qualifications & Experience

Candidates must have:-

- (i) the National Qualification in Social Work (N.Q.S.W.)
or
- (ii) the Certificate of Qualification in Social Work awarded by the Central Council for Education and Training in Social Work, U.K.,
or
- (iii) a letter of accreditation issued by the National Social Work Qualifications Board

and

have five years post qualification experience

and

proven effectiveness as a professional Social Worker

and

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 Restrictions in Relation to Applications

No age restriction shall apply to a candidate except where he/she is not classified as a new entrant (within the meaning of the Public Service Superannuation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 2004). In this case the candidate 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

A candidate 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

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

5. Approved

Date: 23rd October 2007

Signed: Martin McDonald
National Director of Human Resources