

Continuous Professional Development Support Scheme (CPD - SS)

Prospectus

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Introduction

The Continuous Professional Development Support Scheme (CPD-SS) is funded by the HSE to facilitate NCHDs who are not on a formal training scheme to continue to maintain and enhance their clinical knowledge and skills and to maintain their professional competence in line with Medical Council requirements.

The CPD-SS has been developed with a view to providing NCHDs who are not enrolled in specialist training with professional educational/training courses and activities to assist the NCHD with fulfilling some of the requirements of their Professional Competence Scheme.

NCHDs can apply for the CPD-SS if they:

- 1) Hold NCHD Contract 2010 and work in the Irish public health service.
- 2) Are registered on the General Division or Supervised Division of the Register of Medical Practitioners maintained by the Medical Council.
- 3) Are currently enrolled in a Professional Competence Scheme as required by law.

To access the scheme in 2025/2026, NCHDs should either have registered with a Training Body until 30th September 2025 or there is a second opportunity for NCHDs to register for the scheme from 8th December 2025 until 30th January 2026. NCHDs eligible for CPD- SS should register with the relevant Training Body.

NCHDs will have access to a range of clinical courses/activities provided by all Irish Training Bodies. They will be able to participate in training and educational activities and earn a maximum of 20 external credits or 3 days per annum, whichever is greatest.

Further details are available in the HSE's Guidance Document <https://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/leadership-education-development/met/ed/pd/>

The courses available to all NCHDs registered on the CPD-SS from August 2025 to December 2025 are listed below by Training Body.

College of Anaesthesiologists of Ireland

If you would like more information or to apply for a course with the College of Anaesthesiologists, please email: kmcgrath@coa.ie

Date	Course title	CPD-SS credits	Venue
1 st August 2025	EDRA/ISRA	TBC	CAI
4 th October 2025	Airways Masterclass	TBC	CAI
4 th November 2025	Local Anaesthesia for Ophthalmic Surgery Course	TBC	CAI
14 th November 2025	NAPSAC 25	TBC	CAI
27 th November 2025	ISOA - external organiser	TBC	CAI
28 th November 2025	IOAA - external organiser	TBC	CAI
TBC	AE Simulation Course- CPD SS	8	Date to be confirmed
TBC	AREEST Simulation Course - CPD SS	8	Date to be confirmed

College of Psychiatrists of Ireland – Online Courses

If you would like more information or to apply for a course with the College of Psychiatrists, please email: cpdss@irishpsychiatry.ie

Date	Course title	CPD-SS credits	Venue
13-14 November 2025	Winter Conference 2025, joint with RCPsych NI	TBC	Hilton Hotel Belfast

e-Modules:	CPD Credits	Venue
Hot Topic 1: Cardiovascular Disease in Serious Mental Illness	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 2: Impact of Psychological Trauma and its Treatment	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 3: The Change Imperative: The youth mental health paradigm as a model for mental health reform in Ireland	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 4: Prison & Court Liaison Services: Interaction with Community Services	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 5: Novel Treatments for Alcohol Dependence	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 6: A Cognitive Model of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 7: Managing Suicide Risk	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 8: Cardiology - The Heart and the Mind	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 9: Cannabis Decriminalisation	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 10: The Early Detection & Treatment of Young People at Ultra-High Risk of Psychosis	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 11: Psychiatric Advance Directives – Are they feasible?	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 12: Cyberbullying: The mental health effects and the implications for prevention and intervention	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 13: Medico-Legal Report Writing: What you need to know	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 14: The Psychoanalytic Understanding of Schizophrenia according to Jacques Lacan - Therapeutic Implications	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 15: Expressed Emotion and Schizophrenia	1	CPSYCHI Moodle

Hot Topic 16: Rehabilitation Services for Acquired Brain Injury and the Interface with Psychiatry	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 17: Review of Neuroleptic Medications	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 18: The psychoanalytic paradigm of mental functioning and its implications for practitioners in the field of mental health today	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 19: Dementia in People with Intellectual Disability	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 20: Psychiatry & Intellectual Disability 'The same...but different	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 21: Neuropsychiatric Consequences of Traumatic Brain Injury	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 22: Psychiatric Occupational Assessment	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 23: Gender Dysphoria- the shifting diagnostic and treatment paradigms	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 24: Psychotic Symptoms and Risk for Psychotic Disorder in Children and Adolescents	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 25: Dementia Workshop – Assessment in Persons with Pre-Existing Mental Illness	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 26: Neuropsychiatry of Parkinson's Disease	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 27: What the Psychiatrist Should Know About Bariatric Medicine	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 28: Suicide Mitigation: compassion and governance	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 29: Ticks and Tails down Wicklow way: A case study	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 30: Lyme in Ireland: diagnostic challenges, treatment challenges, and neuropsychiatric complications	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 31: An update on bipolar disorder	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 32: Diabetes and Mental Disorders: The Cart or the Horse?	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 33: Management of Poorly Controlled Diabetes in Mental Health Setting	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 34: An Update on Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) with a focus on Lithium	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 35: eating disorders in Adults: Recognition, Assessment and Management	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 36: eating disorders in Children and Adolescents: Recognition, Assessment and Management	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 37: GDPR for the Psychiatrist	1.5	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 38: The Psychiatrist's Experience in Treating Borderline Personality Disorder; Joy and Challenges	1	CPSYCHI Moodle

Hot Topic 39: Gambling Disorder - an update for clinical practice	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 40: Game on! Is gaming a lifestyle or disorder?	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 41: Plagues, Pandemics and Psychiatry in Ireland: Past, Present and Future	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 42: Psychiatry in the Emergency Department	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 43: Prescribing for the Psychiatrist	2	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 44: Mechanisms of Depression post COVID 19	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 45: Providing Mental Healthcare to Homeless People in Dublin: Theory and Practice	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 46: "The benefit of Hindsight"- Learning from COVID -19 in an approved Centre and Residential Care	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 47: Caring for Clinicians during Covid	1	CPSYCHI Moodle
Hot Topic 48: The language of illness	1	CPSYCHI Moodle

Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland – Online Courses

If you would like more information or to apply for a course with the College of Surgeons, please email: cpdss@rcsi.ie

Date	Course title	CPD credits	Venue
05/09/2025	RCSI Emergency Point of Care Ultrasound (POCUS) Certificate Day 1	7	Pillar Centre for Transformative Healthcare
08/09/2025	Train the Trainer	6	RCSI, Dublin 2
11/09/2025	Minor operations workshop	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
16/09/2025	Major Trauma	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
16/09/2025	Basic Endoscopy	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
17/09/2025	Basic Level 1 Emergency Ultrasound	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
07/10/2025	Advanced Upper GI Emergency Management	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
08/10/2025	Active Bystander Intervention Training	1	Zoom
09/10/2025	Procedural Sedation and Analgesia - CORK	8	Cork
10/10/2025	RCSI Emergency Point of Care Ultrasound (POCUS) Certificate Day 2	7	Pillar Centre for Transformative Healthcare
13/10/2025	The Coroner Service in Ireland – what hospital doctors need to know (NEW)	1	Zoom
14/10/2025	Basic Endoscopy	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
15/10/2025	Accredited certificate in Emergency Radiology Day 1	6	Zoom
21/10/2025	Basic Laparoscopy	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
22/10/2025	Accredited certificate in Emergency Radiology Day 1	6	Zoom
23/10/2025	Trauma 360 - Simulation for survival certificate Day 1 (NEW)	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
29/10/2025	Accredited certificate in Simulation-based Training in Human Factors in Patient Safety Day 1 Communication Skills	6	RCSI, Dublin 2
29/10/2025	Suturing Skills and Wound Closure	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
30/10/2025	Financial Wellbeing: Spending, Borrowing and Your Credit Profile	1	Zoom

04/11/2025	Basic Level 1 Emergency Ultrasound	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
05/11/2025	Active Bystander Intervention Training	1	Zoom
06/11/2025	Basic Skills in Urology	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
07/11/2025	Clinical Audit Part A	6	Zoom
10/11/2025	Accredited certificate in Simulation-based Training in Human Factors in Patient Safety Day 2 Multi-Disciplinary Team Training	6	RCSI, Dublin 2
14/11/2025	Intermediate General Surgery	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
17/11/2025	CLEAR Communication: A Webinar on Clear and Concise Patient Communication	1	Zoom
18/11/2025	Trauma 360 - Simulation for survival certificate Day 2 - NEW	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
20/11/2025	How to Conduct Clinical Research	6	RCSI, Dublin 2
21/11/2025	Clinical Audit Part B	N/A	Zoom
24/11/2025	Casting Workshop	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
26/11/2025	Active Bystander Intervention Training	1	Zoom
26/11/2025	Emergency Toxicology	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
28/11/2025	Interview Skills and CV Development for Doctors	6	RCSI, Dublin 2
29/11/2025	Paediatric Life Support	10	Portiuncula Hospital
05/12/2025	Basics of Airway Management - NEW	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
05/12/2025	RCSI Emergency Point of Care Ultrasound (POCUS) Certificate Day 3	7	Pillar Centre for Transformative Healthcare
09/12/2025	MRCS Part B Preparation Course: Core Clinical Communication Skills for aspiring Surgeons - NEW	6	RCSI, Dublin 2
10/12/2025	Basic Laparoscopy	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2
16/12/2025	Train the Trainer	6	RCSI, Dublin 2
16/12/2025	Minor operations workshop	7.5	RCSI, Dublin 2

Faculty of Radiologists & Radiation Oncologists

If you would like more information or to apply for a course at the Faculty of Radiologists, please email pcs@radiology.ie or phone 01 402 5128

Date	Course title	CPD credits	Venue
25 th & 26 th September 2025	Annual Scientific Meeting	12	RCSI Building, 123. St Stephens Green

Royal College of Physicians of Ireland

RCPI have a wide range of New Courses that will be made available to CPD learners throughout the year, a number of places will also be made available on certain simulation Course to CPD learner that meet certain criteria. Please contact CPDSS@RCPI.ie for more information.

Date	Course Title	CPD Credits	Venue
Dates available on website	NCHD Ethics Foundation	7	Online, zoom
Dates available on website	NCHD Ethics for Paediatrics	5	Online, zoom
Dates available on website	NCHD Leadership in Clinical practice	13	Online, zoom
Dates available on website	NCHD Mastering Communication	5	Online, zoom
Dates available on website	NCHD Wellness Matters	5	Online, zoom
Dates available on website	Health Literacy	3	Online, zoom
Dates available on website	Leadership in Clinical Practice: Communication Skills	5	Online, zoom
Dates available on website	Leadership in Clinical Practice: Leadership Skills	12	Online, zoom
Offered throughout the year	A guide to reflective practice	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Advance care planning	10	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	aEEG in the NICU setting	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	An introduction to Health Research	3	Self- paced, online

Offered throughout the year	Be sound, don't belittle	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Delirium recognition and response	4	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Effective Teaching skills: Conducting skills training in a clinical setting	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Effective Teaching skills: Giving a lecture	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Effective Teaching skills: Giving feedback	2	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Effective Teaching skills: Techniques for effective bedside teaching	2	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Fundamentals of Quality Improvement	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Gateway to communication	5	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	GDPR in a clinical setting	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Introduction to medicolegal report writing	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Obstetrics & Gynaecology Practical scenario modules: Eclampsia and Pre-eclampsia	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Obstetrics & Gynaecology Practical scenario modules: Fetal Monitoring	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Obstetrics & Gynaecology Practical scenario modules: Major Obstetric Haemorrhage	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Obstetrics & Gynaecology Practical scenario modules: Maternal collapse	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Obstetrics & Gynaecology Practical scenario modules: Perineal suturing	1	Self- paced, online

Offered throughout the year	Obstetrics & Gynaecology Practical scenario modules: Sepsis in Pregnancy		Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Obstetrics & Gynaecology Practical scenario modules:	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Paediatric ECG Interpretation	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Paediatric food allergy	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Paediatric Respiratory - SPARC Module	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Paediatric Pocket tutorials - 14 Courses	1-5	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Performing Audit	3	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Physicians as Trainers: Case based discussion	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Physicians as Trainers: Clinical Supervision	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Physicians as Trainers: Coaching	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Physicians as Trainers: Directly observed procedural skills	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Physicians as Trainers: Mini clinical examination exercise	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Physicians as Trainers: Objective setting	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Presentation Skills	1	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Principles of Antibiotic Use for General Internal Medicine	2	Self- paced, online

Offered throughout the year	Principles of Antibiotic Use for Obstetrics & Gynaecology	2	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Principles of Antibiotic Use for Paediatrics	2	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Safe prescribing for General Internal Medicine	2	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Safe prescribing for Obstetrics & Gynaecology	2	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Safe prescribing for Paediatrics	2	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	Understanding Population cancer screening	2	Self- paced, online
Offered throughout the year	An introduction to medical consent	1	Self- paced, online

The Irish College of Ophthalmologists

The ICO will deliver their learning programme to support doctors on their CPD-SS via virtual learning meetings and courses along with in-person meetings and courses. The College will publish details and dates on the College's website event page.

For up-to-date information on their learning activities, you can also contact the College directly at info@eyedoctors.ie