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DEPARTMENT
OF HEALTH AND
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**RE: QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE POSTS OF MEDICAL SCIENTIST,
SENIOR MEDICAL SCIENTIST AND CHIEF MEDICAL SCIENTIST**

Dear Mr. McDonald,

A draft showing the proposed qualifications for the above posts are attached for your information. The title change of the offices of Medical Laboratory Technician/ Technologist grades to Medical Scientist grades are in line with the recommendations of the Report of the Expert Group on Medical Laboratory Technician/Technologist Grades.

Any observations you might have on these draft qualifications would be much appreciated and should be forwarded to the undersigned before **Friday, 3rd May, 2002.**

Yours sincerely,

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In exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 18 of the Health Act, 1970, I hereby approve qualifications, as set out hereunder, for appointment and continuing as Medical Scientist under a Health Board.

1. PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE ETC.

Each candidate must, on the latest date for receiving completed application forms for the office:

- (a) possess the Bachelor in Science (Applied Science) Honours degree (Biomedical option) from the University of Dublin/Dublin Institute of Technology, Kevin Street;

or

- (b) possess the Bachelor in Science Honours degree in Biomedical Science from the Joint University College Cork-Regional Technical College Cork course;

or

- (c) possess the Diploma in Medical Laboratory Sciences of the Dublin Institute of Technology, Kevin Street or the Regional Technical College, Cork awarded prior to 1994;

or

- (d) possess the Certificate in Medical Laboratory Sciences of the Dublin Institute of Technology, Kevin Street or the Regional Technical College, Cork or the Regional Technical College, Galway (awarded prior to 1997);

or

- (e) possess a recognised qualification at least equivalent to (a) or (b) above;

and

- (f) be a member of, or be eligible for membership of The Academy of Medical Laboratory Science (MAMLS) or prior to 1994 possess associate membership of The Academy of Medical Laboratory Science (AMAMLS).

2. **AGE**

Candidates 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**

Each candidate for and any person holding the office must be free from any defect or disease which would render him/her unsuitable to hold 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.

Dated this day of
two thousand and two.

Minister for Health and Children.

DRAFT

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 18 of the Health Act, 1970, I hereby approve qualifications, as set out hereunder, for appointment and continuing as Senior Medical Scientist under a Health Board.

1. PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE ETC.

Each candidate must, on the latest date for receiving completed application forms for the office:

- (a) possess the Bachelor in Science (Applied Science) Honours degree (Biomedical option) from the University of Dublin/Dublin Institute of Technology, Kevin Street;

or

- (b) possess the Bachelor in Science Honours degree in Biomedical Science from the Joint University College Cork-Regional Technical College Cork course;

or

- (c) possess the Diploma in Medical Laboratory Sciences of the Dublin Institute of Technology, Kevin Street or the Regional Technical College, Cork awarded prior to 1994;

or

- (d) possess a recognised qualification at least equivalent to (a) or (b) above;

and

- (e) be a member of, or be eligible for membership of The Academy of Medical Laboratory Science (MAMLS)

and

- (f) possess three years experience in a medical laboratory since qualifying as a Medical Laboratory Technician/Medical Scientist.

and

For appointments made after 1 April, 2007, the following additional qualifications will apply to new entrants to the grade of Senior Medical Scientist:-

- (f) possess a postgraduate degree in the field of Medical Laboratory Science;

or

- (g) have attained the fellowship examination of the Institute of Biomedical Science;

and

- (h) possess fellowship of The Academy of Medical Laboratory Science (FAMLS) or be eligible for fellowship;

2. AGE

Candidates 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**

Each candidate for and any person holding the office must be free from any defect or disease which would render him/her unsuitable to hold 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.

Dated this day of
two thousand and two.

Minister for Health and Children.

DRAFT

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 18 of the Health Act, 1970, I hereby approve qualifications, as set out hereunder, for appointment and continuing as Chief Medical Scientist under a Health Board.

1. PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE ETC.

Each candidate must, on the latest date for receiving completed application forms for the office:

- (a) possess the Bachelor in Science (Applied Science) Honours degree (Biomedical option) from the University of Dublin/Dublin Institute of Technology, Kevin Street;

or

- (b) possess the Bachelor in Science Honours degree in Biomedical Science from the Joint University College Cork-Regional Technical College Cork course;

or

- (c) possess the Diploma in Medical Laboratory Sciences of the Dublin Institute of Technology, Kevin Street or the Regional Technical College, Cork awarded prior to 1994;

or

- (d) possess a recognised qualification at least equivalent to (a) or (b) above;

and

- (e) possess a postgraduate degree in the field of Medical Laboratory Science;

or

- (f) have attained the fellowship examination of the Institute of Biomedical Science;

and

- (g) possess fellowship of The Academy of Medical Laboratory Science (FAMLS) or be eligible for fellowship;

and

- (h) have had at least seven years experience in a medical laboratory since qualifying as a Medical Laboratory Technician/Medical Scientist, two years of which were spent in a promotional post.

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