

Physiotherapist Referrers – Application Guidance Document and General Information

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Introduction

The Physiotherapist Registration Board at CORU has opened a division of its register to allow for the referral for Radiological Diagnostic Procedures. Eligible Physiotherapist registrants may now apply to register in the Physiotherapists Referral for Radiological Diagnostic Procedures division of the register.

The requirements for applying to this division are set out in [S.I. No 3 of 2025 Physiotherapists Registration Board Conditions for Registration in the Referral for Radiological Diagnostic Procedures Division Bye Law 2025](#).

This guidance document provides a guide for making an application to be added to the Physiotherapist Referrer division of the register, as well as other useful information about holding additional registration in a specialist register.

Eligibility to apply

Only those individuals who are currently registered with the Physiotherapist Registration Board can apply for the Physiotherapist Referrer division. Only those registrants who hold an approved qualification may make an application for this division.

Approved programme for registration in the physiotherapist referral radiological diagnostics division:

- Professional Certificate in Physiotherapist Referral for Radiological Procedures, National University of Ireland, University College Dublin

A registrant who holds registration within the Physiotherapist Referrers division is entitled to use the title 'Physiotherapist Referrer' and refer service users for radiological procedures.

The Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Physiotherapists

Registration in the Physiotherapist Referrers division is based on an individuals general registration with the Physiotherapist Registration Board. All registrants of the general and specialist division are bound by the Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Physiotherapists. The Code is available [on our website at this link](#).

Making an application to join the Physiotherapist Referrer Division of the register

In order to make an application to join this division, you must hold current registration with the Physiotherapist Registration Board under the title of Physiotherapist. You can make this application via your online registration portal.

To complete your application, you must:

- Fill out all relevant sections of the form.
- Provide the necessary supporting documentation.
- Pay the required application fee.
- Submit your application for review.

How to apply

Please see the below table which details how to make your application for this division of the register in five easy steps.

Four steps to making an application for the physiotherapist referrer division		
1	Log in to your registrant portal	<p>You will need to log into your online Registrant Portal.</p> <p>You will need to select 'Enhanced Practitioner Application' under the heading 'Registration' from the menu bar on the left hand side of the screen, then select the 'Start New Application' blue button at the bottom of the page.</p> <p>Please read the instructions on page one and confirm by clicking 'Save and Continue' on the bottom right corner of the screen.</p>
2	Confirm your personal details	<p>These will auto populate from the personal details associated with your current registration details. Please review these, then click 'Save and Continue' on the bottom right corner of the screen.</p>
3	Eligibility	<p>Confirm your eligibility by evidencing that you hold an approved qualification to join the Physiotherapist Referrer division. On this page, it will ask you if are on a college list. The colleges will typically email CORU with a list of graduates from the approved programme. CORU will use this to confirm you are eligible to apply.</p> <p>If you select 'Yes' you will be able to continue onto step 4 and would not be required to provide a certified qualification certificate.</p> <p>If you select 'no' you will need to select your qualification from the drop-down list, provide the date that it was awarded and upload a certified copy of the qualification certificate.</p>
4	Payment of the fee	<p>The fee to apply to an enhanced division of the register is €50.</p> <p>On payment of the fee your application will be submitted to CORU for processing and approval. Please see the video provided on our website which shows and overview of the above four steps.</p>

Annual renewal for Physiotherapist Referrers

If you hold enhanced practitioner divisional registration you must pay an annual renewal fee for both your general/standard registration and for our divisional registration. This would mean that your annual renewal fee would be €150 if you hold enhanced practitioner registration.

Voluntary removal/restoration for Physiotherapist Referrers

An individual may voluntarily remove themselves from this division. An individual may also restore themselves to the division of the register and may be required to complete Return to Practise hours, where relevant.

Visibility on the public register

If approved for inclusion on the Physiotherapist Referrers division of the register, your name and registration number will display as two entries, your general physiotherapist registration and your Physiotherapist Referrers registration as a separate line item.