



Ag Rialáil Gairmithe Sláinte
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Regulating Health +
Social Care Professionals

ELECTION OF MEMBERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE SOCIAL WORKERS REGISTRATION BOARD (S.I. No 546 OF 2025)

RETURNING OFFICER'S DECLARATION

Notice of candidates validly nominated in Category 1, Category 2 and Category 3

Notice of election of members for appointment to the Social Workers Registration Board and request for nominations of candidates for three electoral categories were published in the Irish Times newspaper and on the website of CORU www.coru.ie. The closing date for receipt of nominations was **Monday 23 March 2026 at noon**.

The position as of Tuesday 07 April 2026 is as follows;

Category 1: One vacancy for a registrant who is engaged in the practice of the profession.

Nominee	
Name: Rachel Delaney	Registration No: SW004119

Nominee	
Name: Shauna Garrett	Registration No: SW059774

Nominee	
Name: Donna Watson	Registration No: SW068918

As the Returning Officer, I formally declare that as the number of candidates (three) is in excess of the number of vacancies (one), an election shall be held in respect of electoral Category 1. Details of this will be communicated to those eligible to vote in due course.

Category 2: One vacancy for a registrant who is engaged in the management of services provided by the profession.

No nominations were received.

As the Returning Officer, I formally declare that, in accordance with the Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005 (as amended) and the bye-law governing the election procedures (S.I. No. 546 of 2025), one member is to be appointed by the Minister under Section 28A(1)(a)(ii) to compensate for the deficiency in the number of elected registrants.



Category 3: One vacancy for a registrant engaged in the education and training of persons in the practice of the profession.

Nominee	
Name: Mary Kennedy	Registration No: SW003172

As the Returning Officer, I formally declare that as the number of candidates (one) equals the number of vacancies (one), the candidate is elected in electoral Category 3. The name of this candidate will be submitted to the Minister for appointment to the Social Workers Registration Board as a member engaged in the education and training of persons in the practice of the profession.

We the undersigned, being the Returning Officer, an official scrutineer and a substitute scrutineer, certify that the above is an accurate record of the outcome of the nominations process.

1. Eoin Smyth Eoin Smyth 7/4/2026
Print name Signed Date

2. CIARA LYNCH Ciara Lynch 7/4/2026
Print name Signed Date

Clare O'Neil 7/4/2026
Returning Officer Date