



Ag Rialáil Gairmithe Sláinte
agus Cúraim Shóisialaigh

Regulating Health +
Social Care Professionals

Minutes

Council meeting

7 September 2023

An Chomhairle um Ghairmithe Sláinte agus Cúraim Shóisialaigh
Health and Social Care Professionals Council



Item	Council decision
1.	Agenda
	The agenda was agreed by Council.
2.	Minutes from Minutes 29 June 2023 and publication of decisions
	<p>Council approved the minutes of 29 June 2023 and publication of decisions subject to the mentioned amendments.</p> <p>The Chair approved the application of her electronic signature by the Secretariat to the Council approved minutes for the meeting on 29 June 2023 and the PPC May PPC minutes.</p>
3.	Letter from R Kenna to the Chairperson re scope of practice for physiotherapists – Response and programme of work
	Council approved progressing a programme of work in relation to advanced practice.
4.	Council Framework Criteria for Education and Training Programmes – draft for public consultation
	Council approved the draft Council Framework Criteria for Education and Training Programmes for public consultation.
5.	Frequently Seen Qualifications Pilot Review
	<p>Council decided the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Agree to conclude the Frequently Seen Qualifications Pilot and move to general implementation, 2) Agree to open the Frequently Seen Qualifications pathway for the professions and programmes that were included in the pilot; 3) Agree to the Executive identifying further professions and programmes for inclusion in the Frequently Seen Qualifications pathway; competent authorities); 4) Decide to program the development of byelaws to delegate decision making on applications received through the Frequently Seen Qualifications pathway to the registrar.
6.	Council Assessment Guidelines for Employers providing opinion of competence for social care workers application to register
	Council approved the Council Assessment Guidelines for Employers providing an opinion of competence for publication.
7.	Final Financial Statements 2022



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	Council approved that the audited Final Financial Statements 2022 be signed by the Chair of Council and the interim CEO after its meeting on 07 September and be submitted to the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General and thereafter be submitted to DoH.
8.	Letter of Representation (LOR) 2022 to OCAG
	Council approved that the LOR be signed and submitted to the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General.
9.	Chairperson Comprehensive Report to Minister
	Council approved that the CCR be signed by the Chair of Council and submitted to the Minister for Health.
10.	Assessor fee review
	Council approved the increase in assessor fee in 2024.
11.	Contract award to Crowleys DFK – Provision of Accountancy Services
	Council approved the award of the Contract for the Provision of Accounting Services to CORU to Crowleys DFK.
12.	Contract award to Pinnacle Consulting – Provision of Internal Audit Services
	Council approved the award of the Contract for the Provision of Auditing Services to CORU to Pinnacle Consulting.
13.	Report from the Chairperson of the Nominations Committee
	<p>Council appointed Noelle Reilly to the Registration and Recognition Committee, for a period of three years.</p> <p>The Chairperson approved the application of her electronic signature to the appointment letter for Noelle Reilly.</p> <p>Council appointed members to the Appeals Committee as outlined below, for a period of three years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eoin Kerin – Appeals Committee (as a registered Optometrist); • Chijoke Achionye – Appeals Committee (as a registered Optometrist);



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	<p>Council appointed members to the Preliminary Proceedings Committee as outlined below, for a period of five years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gemma O'Rourke – (as a registered Optometrist);• Ciaran Doyle – (as a Lay member);• David Power - (as a Social Care Worker);• Lorraine Ryan – (as a Social Care Worker);• Mark Smith – (as a Social Care Worker). <p>Council approved the re-appointment of Ailish Ni Riain as the Chairperson of the PPC for a third term to expire 04 December 2025.</p> <p>Council approved the appoint of Nicola McLaughlin to the Conduct Committee as a registrant Physiotherapist member for a period of 5 years.</p>