



Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte  
Health Service Executive

**Pharmaceutical Technician**  
**Grade Code 3212**

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 22 of the Health Act 2004, I hereby approve the qualifications, as set out hereunder, for the appointment and continuing as **Pharmaceutical Technician** in the HSE.

**1. Professional Qualifications, Experience, etc**

(a) Eligible applicants will be those who on the closing date for the competition:

(i) Possess the Pharmaceutical Technicians Diploma awarded by the University of Dublin.

**Or**

(ii) Possess a Pharmacy Technicians qualification at QQI Level 6 awarded by the Dublin Institute of Technology, Athlone Institute of Technology, Letterkenny Institute of Technology or Carlow Institute of Technology.

**Or**

(iii) Possess the Pharmacy Services Certificate (NVQ 3) offered by the Irish Pharmaceutical Union.

**Or**

(iv) Are currently employed as a Pharmacy Technician in the publicly funded health service.

**Or**

(v) Possess a relevant qualification at least equivalent to (ii) or (iii) above.

**And**

(b) Candidates must possess the requisite knowledge and ability, (including a high standard of suitability, professional knowledge and ability), for the proper discharge of the duties of the office.

**2. Age**

Age restriction shall only apply to a candidate where s/he is not classified as a new entrant (within the meaning of the Public Service Superannuation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 2004). A candidate who is not classified as a new entrant 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**

Candidates for and any person holding the office must be fully competent and capable of undertaking the duties attached to 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**

Candidates for and any person holding the office must be of good character.