



STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS.

S.I. No. 572 of 2025

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PROFESSIONALS ACT 2005 (SECTION
95(3A)) (SUPPLEMENTARY LIST OF QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED BY
EXISTING SOCIAL CARE WORKERS) REGULATIONS 2025

S.I. No. 572 of 2025

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PROFESSIONALS ACT 2005 (SECTION 95(3A)) (SUPPLEMENTARY LIST OF QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED BY EXISTING SOCIAL CARE WORKERS) REGULATIONS 2025

I, JENNIFER CARROLL MACNEILL, Minister for Health, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 95(3A) of the Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005 (No. 27 of 2005), as amended by section 5 of the Regulated Professions (Health and Social Care) (Amendment) Act 2023 (No. 14 of 2023), having consulted with the Social Care Workers Registration Board, hereby make the following regulations with respect to which, pursuant to section 95(7) of the Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005, a draft has been laid before the Houses of the Oireachtas and a resolution approving the draft has been passed by each House:

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005 (Section 95(3A)) (Supplementary List of Qualifications Required By Existing Social Care Workers) Regulations 2025.

(2) These Regulations shall come into operation on the 1st day of December 2025.

2. In accordance with the powers conferred by Section 95(3A) of the Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005 (No. 27 of 2005), as amended by section 5 of the Regulated Professions (Health and Social Care) (Amendment) Act 2023 (No. 14 of 2023), and having consulted with the Social Care Workers Registration Board, the courses listed at Regulation 3 herein below are prescribed as additional qualifications for the purposes of the third column of Schedule 3 to the Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005 (No. 27 of 2005) that, in the opinion of the Minister for Health, are sufficiently relevant to the corresponding profession listed in the second column of that Schedule, namely Social Care Workers, and attest to a standard of proficiency corresponding to the qualification specified for that profession in the third column of that Schedule, namely Social Care Workers.

3. Schedule 3 to the Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005 (No. 27 of 2005), and in particular the third column referring to the profession of Social Care Workers (as listed in the tenth row of the second column), is hereby amended and supplemented with the following list of qualifications:

(1) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Athlone Institute of Technology,

(2) National Diploma in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Athlone Institute of Technology,

(3) National Diploma in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Carlow College (awarding body National Council Education Awards),

- (4) Bachelor of Arts Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Carlow College,
- (5) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Carlow College,
- (6) Bachelor of Arts Applied Social Studies Professional Social Care, in Institute of Technology Carlow,
- (7) Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Studies (Social Care), in Institute of Technology Carlow,
- (8) Higher Diploma in Arts in Applied Social Studies, in Institute of Technology Carlow,
- (9) Higher Diploma in Arts in Applied Social Studies (Professional Social Care), in Institute of Technology Carlow,
- (10) Higher Diploma in Arts in Applied Social Studies (Professional Social Care), in South East Technological University,
- (11) Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Studies, in Institute of Technology Carlow,
- (12) Bachelor of Arts Applied Social Studies Professional Social Care, in Institute of Technology Carlow,
- (13) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) Applied Social Studies (Professional Social Care), in Institute of Technology Carlow,
- (14) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Social and Community Studies, in Institute of Technology Carlow,
- (15) National Diploma in Applied Social Studies Social Care, in Cork Institute of Technology,
- (16) National Diploma in Social Care, in Cork Institute of Technology,
- (17) Bachelor of Arts in Social Care, in Cork Institute of Technology,
- (18) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Social Care, in Cork Institute of Technology,
- (19) Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Studies, in Cork Institute of Technology,
- (20) National Diploma in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Dublin Institute of Technology,
- (21) Diploma in Social Care Practice, in Dublin Institute of Technology,
- (22) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Social Care, in Dublin Institute of Technology,
- (23) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Social Care and Social Studies, in Dublin Institute of Technology,
- (24) Social Care (Progression to Bachelor of Arts Honours), in Dublin Institute of Technology,
- (25) Bachelor of Arts in Social Care Practice, in Dublin Institute of Technology,

- (26) Bachelor of Arts in Social Care, in Dundalk Institute of Technology,
- (27) Bachelor of Arts in Social Studies, in Dundalk Institute of Technology,
- (28) Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Dundalk Institute of Technology,
- (29) Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Studies, in Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology,
- (30) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Applied Social Studies, in Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology,
- (31) BTEC Higher National Diploma Caring Services (Social Care), in Inchicore Vocational School,
- (32) BTEC Higher National Diploma Care Practice, in Inchicore College of Further Education,
- (33) Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Studies in Social Care (Work Based), in Institute of Technology Blanchardstown,
- (34) Bachelor of Arts Applied Social Studies in Social Care, Institute of Technology Tralee,
- (35) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Social Care, in Institute of Technology Tralee,
- (36) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Institute of Technology Tralee,
- (37) Bachelor of Science in Health and Social Care, in Letterkenny Institute of Technology,
- (38) Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Limerick Institute of Technology,
- (39) Social Care Work – Bachelor of Arts, in Limerick Institute of Technology,
- (40) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Limerick Institute of Technology,
- (41) Diploma in Arts Social Care, in National University of Ireland Galway,
- (42) Bachelor of Arts (Social Care), in National University of Ireland Galway,
- (43) Bachelor of Arts in Professional Social Care (Disability), in Open Training College,
- (44) Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Studies (Disability), in Open Training College,
- (45) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Professional Social Care (Disability), in Open Training College,
- (46) National Diploma in Applied Social Studies in Disability, in St Michael's House,
- (47) National Diploma in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Institute of Technology Sligo,

- (48) Bachelor of Arts in Social Care Practice, in Institute of Technology Sligo,
- (49) Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Studies, in Institute of Technology Sligo,
- (50) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Applied Social Studies, in Institute of Technology Sligo,
- (51) National Diploma in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Waterford Institute of Technology (awarding body National Council Education Awards),
- (52) Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Waterford Institute of Technology,
- (53) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Waterford Institute of Technology,
- (54) Bachelor of Arts in Social Studies, in Dublin Business School,
- (55) Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Health and Social Care, in Letterkenny Institute of Technology,
- (56) National Diploma in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Regional Technical College, Waterford (awarding body National Council for Education Awards),
- (57) Bachelor of Arts in Social Care Practice, in Technological University Dublin,
- (58) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Social Care Practice, in Technological University Dublin,
- (59) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Social Care and Social Studies, in Technological University Dublin,
- (60) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Technological University of the Shannon: Midlands Midwest,
- (61) Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Social Care, in Munster Technological University,
- (62) National Diploma in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Regional Technical College Athlone (awarding body National Council Education Awards),
- (63) National Diploma in Applied Social Studies in Social Care, in Regional Technical College Cork (awarding body National Council Education Awards),
- (64) Bachelor of Arts In Applied Social Studies (Social Care), in Regional Technical College Sligo (awarding body National Council Education Awards),
- (65) National Diploma in Child Care, in DIT/Dublin College of Catering,
- (66) Diploma in Arts in Social Care, in National University of Ireland Galway,
- (67) Bachelor of Arts in Social Care Practice Inservice, in Dublin Institute of Technology.



GIVEN under my Official Seal,
26 November, 2025.

JENNIFER CARROLL MACNEILL,
Minister for Health .

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)

The objective of these Regulations is to provide for the prescription of additional qualifications for the purposes of the third column of Schedule 3 to the Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005 (No. 27 of 2005) that, in the opinion of the Minister for Health, she having consulted with the Social Care Workers Registration Board, are sufficiently relevant to the Social Care Workers profession listed in the second column of that Schedule and attest to a standard of proficiency corresponding to a qualification specified for Social Care Workers in the third column of that Schedule.

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH
ARNA FHOILSIÚ AG OIFIG AN tSOLÁTHAIR
Le ceannach díreach ó
FOILSEACHÁIN RIALTAIS,
BÓTHAR BHAILE UÍ BHEOLÁIN,
CILL MHAIGHNEANN,
BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH 8,
D08 XAO6

Tel: 046 942 3100
r-phost: publications@opw.ie

DUBLIN
PUBLISHED BY THE STATIONERY OFFICE
To be purchased from
GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS,
MOUNTSHANNON ROAD,
KILMAINHAM, DUBLIN 8,
D08 XAO6

Tel: 046 942 3100
E-mail: publications@opw.ie

€ 3.00

