

**Higher Diploma in Nursing
(Children's Nursing)
September 7th 2020 – September 4th 2021**

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**UCD SCHOOL OF NURSING, MIDWIFERY
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in partnership with

CHILDREN'S HEALTH IRELAND, at CRUMLIN

**UCD School of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Systems,
UCD Health Sciences Centre,
University College Dublin,
Belfield, Dublin 4.**

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INTRODUCTION

The Higher Diploma in Nursing (Children's Nursing) programme is offered in partnership with The School of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Systems, University College Dublin and Children's Health Ireland (CHI), at Crumlin. This 52 week children's nursing post-registration education programme awards academic accreditation at Level 8 National Framework of Qualifications.

The programme will commence in the UCD School of Nursing Midwifery and Health Systems on September 7th 2020 and finish on September 4th 2021.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

1. Registered General, Psychiatric or Intellectual Disability Nurse with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland
2. Six months post registration nursing experience relevant to your registration
3. To be successful in hospital interviewing process
4. Applicants should have undertaken a level 8 research module as either a standalone research module or as part of an undergraduate degree nursing programme or as part of access to a degree programme.

ADMISSION PROCEDURE

Successful candidates who receive an offer of a place on the programme should go on line to www.ucd.ie/apply and follow the instructions for online application.

Any difficulties, please phone the Student Desk (01) 7161555. The online application will go in the first instance to the UCD Admissions Office and will then be forwarded to the School of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Systems

Documentation to be forwarded

- (a) Copy of current Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland P.I.N.
- (b) Copy of Birth Certificate or Personal Page of Passport

AIM OF PROGRAMME

The Higher Diploma in Nursing (Children's Nursing) programme aims to educate and prepare nurses to be knowledgeable and competent professional practitioners, capable of acting independently while providing nursing care for children and their families.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

Module Title	NMHS code / module	Academic Level UCD/NFQ	ECTS credits	Trimester
One				
Principles and Practices in Children's Nursing	NMHS	3/8	10	1
Nursing Children in the Acute setting (HDip)	NMHS	3/8	5	1
Nursing Children with Enduring Healthcare Needs	NMHS	3/8	5	1
Nursing Children with Diverse Needs	NMHS	3/8	5	1
Practice Placement 1A	NMHS30990	3/8	5	1
Sub-total			30	
Two				
Growth and Development in Childhood	NMHS	3/8	5	2
Evidence Based Care of Children Across Range Settings (HDip)	NMHS	3/8	10	2
Community Care and Services for Children (H Dip)	NMHS	3/8	10	2
Practice Placement 1B	NMHS31000	3/8	5	2
Sub-total			30	
Three				
Practice Placement 2	NMHS30870	3/8	5	3
Practice Placement 3	NMHS30860	3/8	5	3
Practice Placement 4A	NMHS	3/8	10	3
Practice Placement 4B	NMHS	3/8	10	3
Subtotal			30	
Total			90	

ASSESSMENTS

Each module will be assessed separately and will comprise a variety of assessment strategies including examinations, written course work, cooperative learning, poster and oral presentations, construction of an abstract for a conference, role plays and the construction of educational leaflets and/or teaching plans for children and their families.

PRACTICE PLACEMENTS

All practice placements are arranged by an allocations officer in CHI at Crumlin. The successful application will be allocated to a base hospital in Children's Health Ireland,

in this case, CHI at Crumlin. Dependant on services needs in the base site, there may be a requirement to rotate to the Outpatients & Urgent Care Centre, CHI at Connolly. Particular specialist placements required by some students will be arranged by the allocations officer either within the hospital or in another healthcare facility i.e. a Maternity, Community or Intellectual Disability Placement. All practice placement requirements must be met before a student can go forward for the award of the Higher Diploma in Nursing (Children's Nursing) and to fulfill the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland (NMBI) registration requirements.

REGISTRATION/FEEES

Fees will be organised by the hospital when enrolment is complete from the HSE. Successful candidates will be advised to complete the programme registration with UCD.

EXPENSES

Students are advised to make allowance for the cost of uniform, books, photocopying and travelling.

AWARD

On successful completion of all modules in the programme, the student will be awarded a Higher Diploma in Nursing (Children's Nursing) and will be eligible for registration as a Registered Children's Nurse with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland. This is a Higher Diploma of the National University of Ireland. Students who do not successfully complete clinical modules, but successfully complete 40 credits from theoretical modules, may apply for an exit award, Certificate in Health Sciences. This certificate award does not confer eligibility to register as a Registered Children's Nurse with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland.

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