



Nursing Home / Residential Care Unit of The Year

The Homecare/Assisted Living Provider of the Year will be judged on the applicant's (2000 words max) entry and supporting evidence

Please include as much supporting documentation (visuals, photos, charts, etc) as possible to strengthen your application.

1. Summary	In no more than 250 words, summarise why your Nursing Home/Residential Care Unit deserves to win this award
2. Design and Environment	Applicants should provide information on the building design features which have had a positive effect on patients' wellbeing, bereavement management, internal and external activities for residents, contamination control, budget management and patient feedback.
3. Staff Training & Co-ordination	Staff training and retention methods should be included, plus systems implemented to enhance patient quality care helping create a well-functioning care team
4. Compliance	It is important that each applicant provides information on compliance systems put in place to ensure and display cooperation with current standards / regulations (Example - HIQA standards) or similar where applicable. Recent HIQA assessment outcomes should be highlighted and explained.
5. Into the Future	Applicants are asked to highlight the positive effect their centre has had on the community and their plans going forward to benefit those using their service.
6. Service User Feedback	Please give details of service user feedback to strengthen your application

Essential tips for a successful entry

A successful application must try to address all of the points below. Marks will be allocated only on the evidence provided.

Use the headings shown to highlight your answers to those specific questions. Include information on your exceptional successes during the year such as systems, innovations or techniques that have reaped significant benefits.

Concentrate on facts that can be substantiated. Attachments can be included, which are particularly important for the judges to be able to see your successes or innovations.

Please remember that ONLY THE FIRST 2000 words of core information (and supporting material that you may have provided) of your submission will be assessed