## Nursing Home / Residential Care Home of The Year (Public)

The award will be judged on the applicant's (2000 words max) entry and supporting evidence

Please note that your document should be a **MINIMUM** of 1,000 words and **Maximum** 2,000 words. You may include attachments (visuals, photos, charts, etc) that you think would help your application.

Applications should be submitted by 2.00pm February 13th, 2026

Summary	In no more than 250 words, summarise why your Nursing Home/Residential Care Unit deserves to win this award
Operational Activities	Information on how the organisation is run is essential, please describe the organistion, and how it has been set up to promote service users needs.
Recruitment & Staff Training	How does your clinic select, train and monitor staff to enhance patient quality care helping create a well-functioning care team.
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.
Positive Effects	Highlight the positive effect your centre has had on the community and your plans going forward to benefit those using the service.
Feedback	Analysis of surveys/reviews/feedback forms

## Essential tips for a successful entry

A successful application must try to address all of the points above. 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