## **Specialist Healthcare Centre of the Year**

The Specialist Healthcare Centre of the Year will be judged upon each applicant's entry (2000 words max).

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 healthcare centre deserves to win this award.
Operational Process	Information on how the centre is run is essential and how it has been set up to promote the best outcome for patients
Expertise in your area	Explain and show examples of how your centre is leading in their area of expertise.
Recruitment & Staff Training	How does your clinic select, train and monitor staff progress to ensure the best care for your patients?
Compliance	Show how you meet regulatory standards and 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
Community & Future Plans	What positive effects has the Centre had on the surrounding community? Show your plans going forward to further enhance your services for growing community demands and upcoming generations.
Service User Feedback	Analysis of service users 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