

International Medical Graduate Rural GP Programme

Candidates will embark on a supported pathway that will provide a non-standard route to membership of the Irish College of GPs (ICGP) and Specialist Registration with the Irish Medical Council (IMC). The programme is open to doctors who have a general practice qualification from a jurisdiction that is not currently recognised as equivalent to criteria in Ireland, due to variances in the curricula and training duration in their country of origin.

Candidates must meet the current Visa and Employment Permit requirements for practice in Ireland.

Please ensure you have all your documentation on hand before making an online application.

You must have the following documents in PDF format ready to upload. Uploaded documents must be under 3MB in size.

Additional documents that cannot be uploaded to the online application must be sent to the programme email address: imgruralprogramme@icgp.ie.

1. Copy of your passport information page
2. All your experience in chronological order, from the date you qualified. Upload the employment letter for each position to corroborate your position held. The letter should be dated, signed and stamped with details of the signatory.
3. Proof of medical indemnity for the three years in general practice. If your home country does not provide medical indemnity certificates, your GP employment letter will suffice.
4. All your post graduate experience in chronological order from the date you qualified – most recent first. Do not duplicate information from the GP experience section here. Upload your post graduate certificates to corroborate your experience.
5. Letter of good standing from your medical indemnity organisation (see point 3).
6. Certificate of your current registration at a medical council or regulatory body.
7. Letter of good standing from this same medical council or regulatory body.
8. You will be asked to provide the names and contact details for 2 clinical referees. Your nominated referees should be someone who worked with you in a senior role and provided oversight of your work. Your nominated referees should not be a colleague, friend or relative.
9. Irish Medical Council registration certificate.

10. A notarised copy of your medical degree, with English translation if required.
11. A notarised copy of their degree transcript, with English translation if required.
12. Evidence that you have achieved an overall band score of 7.0 or greater in the IELTS and minimum score of 6.5 in each of the four domains. The IELTS test taken must be 'Academic' and must have been completed within the last two years. Alternatively, OET: minimum B in all four domains.

Failure to provide the above information in full will lead to delays in processing your application, or, rejection of your application.