

Terms and Conditions

Applicants are required to confirm that they have read, understand and accept in full the terms and conditions as outlined below.

I, the applicant, accept that:

1. I have read the [National Specialist Training in General Practice Prospectus 2027](#).
2. I have read the 2027 Guide to Applicants. Document to follow ahead of applications opening.
3. I have read and accept the requirements in the [2027 Person Specification](#).
4. I have read the Irish College of GPs privacy policy, and I accept that my data will be processed in accordance [Irish College of GPs Privacy Policy](#). Data from the GP training selection process may be used by the Irish College of GPs to future improve the process and this data may be shared with relevant departments within the College structure and relevant external bodies, including HSE and/or those acting on their behalf.
5. The 2027 GP trainee selection process will be in three stages:
 - i. **First stage:** Interested applicants apply for the online [Situational Judgement Test \(SJT\) and Clinical Problem Solving Test \(CPST\)](#) (Application Form A).
The deadline for completed applications is **Wednesday 7th October 2026**.
 - ii. **Second stage:** Applicants who are successful in meeting the minimum standards in the SJT & CPST tests will be required to complete Application Form B. This will open on **Friday 20th November and close at 17.00pm on Friday 4th December 2026**.
 - iii. **Third stage:** Applicants are invited to an online scenario-based competency assessment (SBCA). Those who are successful at this assessment may proceed to being offered a GP training post.
6. The application deadlines as outlined are absolute and can be found on the website: [Key Dates](#).
7. I understand that the application fee of €150 is non-refundable in any event.
8. I understand that representations should not be made on my behalf.
9. It is my responsibility to ensure that I provide accurate contact details, including a valid email address which is checked regularly.
10. It is my responsibility to ensure that I meet the eligibility requirements for GP Trainee Selection 2027. **Failure to meet the requirements does not entitle me to a refund of the application fee.**

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11. I confirm that all information, declarations, and supporting documentation submitted as part of my application are complete, accurate, and truthful to the best of my knowledge. I acknowledge that the provision of false, misleading, incomplete, or inaccurate information may result in the withdrawal of any offer of a training position and/or associated employment, or the termination of such position or employment if already commenced. Any false claims may be referred to the Irish Medical Council.
12. The Irish College of GPs will not be liable if my application is deemed ineligible due to the submission of incorrect, insufficient, or illegible supporting documentation. I accept that in this instance reassessment will not be facilitated.
13. Changes cannot be made to the content of the application form after the application has been submitted.
14. I will be required to undertake online Situational Judgment (SJT) & Clinical Problem-Solving Test (CPST) tests as part of the overall GP training application process.
15. I am aware that the SJT & CPST tests will take place on Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th November 2026 between 9.00am and 14.00pm (approx.) UTC+1 on the Riser test platform.
 - I understand that while I may indicate a preferred test day on Application A, allocation of test days is subject to availability. In instances where demand exceeds capacity, the Irish College of General Practitioners reserves the right to assign test days randomly among applicants.
 - I will complete all mandatory technical checks as required in advance of the test.
 - I am aware that if all mandatory technical checks are not completed by the deadline provided, I will not be provided with a link to undertake the live test.
16. The results of my tests for the 2027 GP trainee selection process will apply only in this application year.
17. I am aware of the requirements for [“Paired Applications”](#).
18. I am required to nominate two referees who are supervising consultants with whom I have worked within the previous three years. At least one referee must be from my current or most recent post at the time of application and must have supervised me for a minimum period of three months. I accept responsibility for ensuring that two fully completed references are submitted by the advertised deadline. Applications with missing references after the deadline will be removed from the selection process. I acknowledge that the Irish College of GPs reserves the right to withhold an offer of a training position where a reference is deemed unsatisfactory.

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19. Applicants meeting the eligibility and shortlisting criteria will be randomly allocated to an online scenario-based competency assessment on either Tuesday 2nd, Wednesday 3rd or Thursday 4th February 2027.
20. Candidates are responsible for ensuring that they are situated in an appropriate location and have access to reliable internet connectivity and suitable hardware/equipment to complete the assessment without disruption.
21. I will be required to nominate my training scheme preferences after the SBCA.
22. Training places will be allocated in accordance with the [HSE Allocation of Training Places Policy](#). Offers will be made based on a candidate's national ranking (derived from their composite selection score, including shortlisting and SBCA performance), their stated scheme preferences, and the availability of training places at the time the offer is issued.
23. If successful, I understand that I will be assigned to a training scheme for a period of four years. Where [Recognition of Prior Learning \(RPL\)](#) is granted, the duration of training will be reduced to three years.
24. An applicant who declines their first training offer will remain eligible for consideration in subsequent offer rounds. However, they will not be offered the same scheme again, nor will they be offered a scheme that they ranked lower than the scheme they declined.
25. By accepting an offer of a training place, I commit to train on the accepted scheme. I accept that a late withdrawal from an accepted training place is unprofessional and may be reported to the Medical Council.
26. I acknowledge that the GP Training Programme for 2027 will commence on 12 July 2027 and that requests for delayed commencement, inter-scheme transfers, or inter-scheme swaps will not be considered.
27. I confirm that I hold a current, valid driving licence or, alternatively, undertake to arrange suitable transport from the commencement of GP training on 12th July 2027. This is to ensure my ability to attend hospital and GP posts, participate in emergency and domiciliary care, and attend day-release sessions, as required to fulfil the obligations of the training programme.
28. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that they have the appropriate visa/work permit in place to enable them to commence training on 12th July 2027.
29. If successful I will accept the hospital posts and GP training practices assigned to me by my training scheme.

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30. Failure to satisfy the requirements of the relevant employer, including submission of the required documentation, may result in removal from the training programme.
31. If my application is successful, I consent to my application form, including all supporting documentation and references, being made available to the relevant employers and clinical training sites that facilitate the delivery of specialist training in General Practice.
32. If my application is successful, in addition to meeting the requirements of the training body, participation in the scheme throughout its duration is dependent on my meeting the relevant employer's requirements. Such requirements include:
 - Formal Garda Clearance
 - Induction
 - Satisfactory completion of occupational health assessments
 - Provision in a timely manner of the relevant documentation required by employers for employment purposes e.g., CPR
33. Standard feedback will be provided to applicants who do not meet the minimum standards in the SJT & CPST Tests. Feedback following the scenario-based competency assessment can be provided to unsuccessful applicants on request. Any appeals will be processed in line with the [GP Training Selection Appeals Policy and Procedure](#).
34. If successful, my training contract will be with Irish College of GPs, and my employment contract will be through HSE.
35. Applicants who have previously resigned from or been removed from a training programme prior to completion, or who have been subject to disciplinary action, are required to declare this and submit the relevant documentation as part of the application process. Failure to disclose such information may result in the application for GP training being rendered null and void. Applicants should read the full [Policy -Exit from training](#) before submitting an application.
36. The Irish College of GPs reserves the right to retract or pause an offer based on unprofessional conduct/patient safety concerns.
37. Applicants are expected to uphold the highest standards of professional behaviour throughout the application process, in line with the [HSE Code of Conduct for Health and Social Service Providers](#). Unreasonable conduct, for example abuse of staff or rude behaviour, may result in exclusion from the selection process or withdrawal of an offer.