

General Healthcare Centre of the Year

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

This category will be judged upon the most innovative care centre and one committed to continual excellence in the services they offer. Applications will also be judged on how they have transformed their operations to cater for their community's needs, the centre's visitor feedback, staff training and coordination, regulatory compliance and your excellence in this area.

Applicants are asked to highlight the positive effect their centre has had on the surrounding communities and their plans going forward to benefit current and upcoming generations. Please include supporting documentation (visuals, photos, charts, etc) to strengthen your application.

Heading	Details Required
1. Summary	In no more than 250 words, summarise why your healthcare centre deserves to win this award.
2. Innovation	Applicants will need to show examples of how the healthcare centre in question has shown they have transformed their operations to cater for the community's needs.
3. Staff Training & Co-ordination	Information on the team's effectiveness in their work, how well they work together, how teams are carefully chosen for successful collaboration and their ability to adapt and respond to changing conditions will strengthen your application.
4. Compliance	Applicants will need to show how they meet regulatory standards and best practice. 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.
5. Community	What positive effects has the Centre had on the surrounding community?
6. Plans going forward	Applicants must show their plans going forward to further enhance their services for growing community demands and upcoming generations.
7. 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 below headings shown to highlight your answers to those specific questions. Include information on your exceptional successes during the year such as business 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.