



Dear Colleagues,

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to you and your families. We look forward to another successful and rewarding year with you in 2024.

Our offices will be closed from Saturday, December 23rd, and reopening on Tuesday, January 2nd, 2024.

Special Announcement:



We wish to announce and congratulate Eimear Ryan on taking up the important role of Programme Director of the Social Care programmes at the OTC. Eimear joined the College as a Course Tutor in 2023. Before this she worked as an Associate Tutor with students on the BA in Social Care course. She held the position of Social Care Leader in a training centre for young adult school leavers with an intellectual disability for 9 years. She has more than 25 years' experience in the Social Care field. Eimear holds a MSc in Training and Education Management (Leadership) from DCU. We are excited that Eimear has joined the OTC team and wish her every success in the future.

Introducing our 'Walk with Us, Student Health and Wellbeing Guide'

We are pleased to introduce our weekly guide that is primarily for students but is also beneficial to us all, in that, it emphasises important wellbeing elements which we can all incorporate into our daily lives.



This weeks five minute episode is called 'Celebrate the Milestones!'

You can listen to it on this link:

<https://podcasters.spotify.com/pod/show/opentrainingcollege/episode/s/Walk-With-Us-Guide-for-Christmas--New-Year-2023-2024-e2deose>

Leadership courses scheduled in the New Year:

Click each link for more information.

The following two modules make up our **Fast Track PIC Management** course which is QQI approved and the perfect qualification (and recognised by HIQA) for PIC roles or similar.



Certificate in Key Management Skills

- starts January 2nd for 6 weeks. Only one workshop day via Zoom and the rest of the course is studied through online learning. Apply by December 18th.

Certificate in Managing Service Quality & Safeguarding

- starts February 26th for 6 weeks. Only one workshop day via Zoom and the rest of the course is studied through online learning.

We are the only provider who is creating and delivering practical courses with content specific to our sector with tutors who possess real world experience within our sector, which creates a unique learning environment for our students.

The OTC is of the sector, for the sector!

Best wishes,
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