



Dear Colleagues,

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

The College is now preparing our online application centre for a busy period in April/May, taking applications for our CORU approved BA in Social Care. However, I thought I might remind you about another new course that the College will be offering graduates in September - our Level 8 Honours degree! Please see more details below. There is also new information from our Wellness Programme coordinator, and news of the retirement of our colleague, David Dunne. There are also some CPD course reminders for those interested in short, accredited, flexible online learning options.



Ag Rialáil Gairmithe Sláinte agus Cúraim Shóisialaigh
Regulating Health +
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Social Care - so many opportunities!

Sean Bohan continues his social care blog series with part 2 - describing his experiences that opened so many doors for growth, both professionally and personally. Read his second of a three-part blog series [HERE](#).

The OTC will open the online Application Centre on March 28th in order to facilitate applications to our CORU approved [BA in Social Care](#).



BA Honours in Applied Social Studies (Disability Service Management) - starts September

Our new BA Honours in Applied Social Studies (Disability Service Management) degree has been designed for those working in the disability sector and is the perfect add-on qualification for Level 7 social care graduates seeking a level 8 qualification. It commences in September and students will complete their studies within a typical academic year through our award winning blended model of delivery. Please see all course information [HERE](#).



All important student (and colleague!) wellness!

"Health is a state of complete physical, mental and social well being"



and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity”
- World Health Organisation

For students and colleagues alike, please take a quick moment to listen to our latest wellness podcast from our Health and Wellness Co-ordinator, Fiona Colclough. [Listen HERE](#)

CPD: Empowerment and Advocacy course (Online)

Applications received by March 29th
Course commencement on April 8th
Full day online workshop on April 22nd
Assignment submission May 31st
Price: €395
All course details can be found [HERE](#)

CPD: Key Management Skills (Online)

Applications received by April 22nd
Course commencement on April 29th
Full day online workshop on April 29th
Assignment submission June 9th
Price: €395
All course details can be found [HERE](#)



Happy Retirement David!

It is a bittersweet announcement that we make regarding our Director of Operations, Mr David Dunne. After a full and rewarding career with St Michaels House, David has now retired. He has been a huge champion of the College for so many years, working closely with Karen, our College Director, in commencing important training initiatives for both staff and service users. We wish David a tremendously exciting and healthy retirement for many years to come!



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

The OTC is of the sector, for the sector!

Best wishes,
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