

Dear Colleagues,

Consider this the 'all CORU' issue as we approach the deadline for social care worker registration - November 30th, 2025.



Do you know the five myths that are circulating at the moment? You can check them out in our new video link below. Along with registration, Continual Professional Development requirements will follow for all who are registered. How will that look for you? We are asking for your help in painting that picture (below), and explore how the OTC can support our sector. Empowerment and Advocacy are powerful tools in the disability sector and we have a few final places to offer participants on this short CPD course that is starting soon. Who is ready for a Level 8 upgrade to their qualifications? All the details are explained below.

Thank you for reading.



# Please take our quick survey which will help support our CPD planning for future CORU registered practitioners

What is your attitude to CPD? As you know, after registration with CORU, there will be an annual CPD requirment for all. What will that landscape look like? Please click the link below and take our short survey which will inform our efforts in supporting our sector into the future. Please do not ignore this survey as it will paint an invaluable picture of how the OTC can position itself so that you get the most from our education and training options.

Please complete our very short survey **HERE**.

### Unbelievable!!



#### Have you heard the 5 myths about CORU registration?

Yes, not 1 or 2, but actually 5 myths that are circulating these days and they are having a detrimental effect on the numbers of practitioners who are registering. Please click the link to find out what they are and be informed about the best next steps.

To see the 5 myths click HERE



# Wishing to upgrade your qualification to a Level 8 standard? OTC will commence a one-year Honours degree in January.

The OTC will be offering discounts to past-pupils, members of Social Care Ireland and members of The Wheel, in support of upskilling the sector with our disability/management focussed QQI qualification. The model of delivery is perfect for students who wish to keep working while studying for their Level 8 degree. Students must be employed with a disability service provider.

To see all details regarding our Honours degree click **HERE** 



# CPD options: Upcoming Continuing Professional Development courses

Always a popular course for practitioners, the latest schedule for our <u>Certificate in Empowerment and Advocacy</u> is now published and the application centre is open.

It is ideal for practitioners with a social studies/care/community development qualification who would like to:

- Gain an in-depth knowledge of this area
- Critically reflect upon their role as a practitioner.

Delivered online and supported by a single workshop event delivered by Zoom, this course format helps students to study and work at the same time.

Application deadline: October 9th
All course details can be accessed HERE

Perfect for PICs! New management microcredential course - the Certificate in Human Service Manager Skills

I am happy to report that this HIQA compliant course sold out again so please don't delay in booking your place for January.



### Course features:

- · Delivered mainly online and totally flexible
- Only two in-person workshops to attend throughout the eleven week course
- Flexible, user-friendly online interface for daily interactions
- Price per participant for this two-module, QQI award is €645. Apply now! All course details can be found <u>HERE</u>

#### The OTC is of the sector, for the sector!

Best wishes, Conor 086 0756580 (9am - 5pm please) cmurray@opentrainingcollege.com

PS Please feel free to forward this to an interested colleague. Thank you.

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