

# Continuous Professional Development Support Scheme: Mid-Year Entry Point Enrolment

## Overview

RCSI provides a Continuous Professional Development Support Scheme (CPD-SS) to assist doctors who are not engaged in training to satisfy the requirements of the Irish Medical Council.

Once enrolled in the scheme, eligible non-consultant hospital doctors (NCHDs) can avail of a comprehensive suite of programmes, including full and half-day courses in technical and non-technical skills.

## Content

Our programme includes an array of full-day and half-day courses in technical and non-technical skills for the surgical specialties, emergency medicine and others.

### Courses include:

- › Management of the ICU patient for surgeons
- › Basic Emergency Ultrasound
- › Emergency Radiology
- › Minor Trauma Day
- › Minor Operations and Suturing Techniques
- › Ultrasound Certificate

## Entry Requirements

To be eligible to enrol in the CPD-SS, you must:

- > be enrolled in the relevant professional competence scheme applicable to your specialty and area of practice as required by law;
- > hold a current NCHD contract;
- > work within the public health service;
- > not be enrolled in an intern training programme under the auspices of an Intern Training Network or a specialist training programme under the auspices of the one of the Irish postgraduate training bodies; and
- > be registered on the General Division or Supervised Division of the Register of Medical Practitioners maintained by the Medical Council.

## Fees

The cost of attending CPD-SS classes is covered for those who are registered for the PCS and CPDSS with RCSI or any of the participating training bodies up to 20 external credits or three days per annum, whichever is greatest

If you have reached the credit limit of three classes or 20 CPD credits – set by the HSE NDTP and laid out in the guidance document – and you wish to attend further classes, you must pay the €300 fee set for each class.

NCHDs who are eligible to attend classes but have not registered for the scheme by the deadline may attend classes but must prepay in full to secure a place.

## Applications & Queries

Please note enrolments for the 2021/22 CPD Support Scheme will open on the **13th of December 2021** to the **31st of January 2022**. For more information, please email us at [cpdss@rcsi.ie](mailto:cpdss@rcsi.ie) or visit [rcsi.com/cpdss](https://rcsi.com/cpdss).

\*NCHDs currently enrolled on the 2021/22 CPD Support Scheme **do not** need to enrol again.