



## Oifig An Chigire Príosún Office of the Inspector of Prisons

# Call for Expressions of Interest Medical Experts - Prison Inspections

The Office of the Inspector of Prisons (OIP) is seeking Expressions of Interest from Medical Doctors, including General Practitioners and Psychiatrists to assist the OIP as Medical Experts during inspections of prisons.

Inspections are carried out by the OIP in accordance with [\*A Framework for the Inspection of Prisons in Ireland\*](#) (2020). A key component of all prison inspections is an assessment of the quality of healthcare provision for people in custody. This assessment is carried out in accordance with the *Framework's* Health & Wellbeing Indicative Measures, and includes evaluation of compliance with national legislation ([Prison Rules 2007 – 2020](#)), relevant national guidance and quality frameworks and international human rights standards, such as the European Prison Rules (2020) and the standards developed by the Council of Europe's European Committee for the Prevention of Torture (CPT).

Medical Experts will assist the Chief Inspector and their team to assess treatment and conditions in a prison. Doctors will review medical records and engage in discussions with healthcare staff and people in custody to assess the Availability, Accessibility, Acceptability and Quality ([AAAQ](#)) of healthcare for people in prison.

All applicants should at a minimum, be registered with and hold required qualifications required by the Irish Medical Council, or the international equivalent.

Expressions of Interest from persons with prior experience working as medical doctors in places of detention and/or monitoring health care services in places of detention are particularly welcome.

Please note that applicants may be required to undergo Garda (Police) vetting.

More information can be found here: <https://www.oip.ie/medical-experts-to-assist-inspectorate-of-prisons-call-for-expressions-of-interest/>

### Submission

Please submit Expressions of Interest to [info@oip.ie](mailto:info@oip.ie) by **4 November 2022**, with the email subject line: "Inspection EOI". All expressions will be considered and responded to within two weeks of receipt.