<u>Advanced Entry to IT Tallaght's Social Care Practice</u>

Following from the Health and Social Care Professionals Act, 2005 (HSCP Act, 2005) the Social Care Registration board has been appointed by CORU. The objective of the Registration board is to protect the public by fostering high standards of professional conduct and professional education, training and competence among registrants of that profession (HSCP Act, 2005: Section 27(1) (as amended)).

Students are now required to have completed a minimum of 800 placement hours on graduating. These placement hours are to be attached to a Level 7 or Level 8 program and need to be to the standard set by the CORU guidelines.

In line with CORU guidelines for Education Providers, Advanced Entry will now only be available to students with FETAC Level 6 into Year 2.

The CORU standards include requirements such as:

*Each placement will be assessed for suitability for Social Care students and a service agreement will be signed with the organisation.

*Student proficencies, competencies and skills will be clearly assessed and recorded during the placement under the five domains.

1. Professional Autonomy and Accountability

2. Communication, Collaborative Practice and Teamworking

3. Safety and Quality

4. Professional Development

5. Professional Knowledge and Skills

* Supervisors will have a background in Social Care and will be on the register of SCP (This applies to academic and placement supervisors)

* Students will have a minimum of two placement visits from the academic supervisor on each placement.

* Each student will have reached the threshold standard of proficiency set by the Registration board for entry to the register

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