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**Masters / Postgraduate Diploma in Health Sciences
(Children's Palliative / Complex Care)**

The first master's degree in Ireland for nurses caring for children and adolescents with complex life-limiting conditions.



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UCD School of Nursing, Midwifery
and Health Systems
UCD College of Health
and Agricultural Sciences

RESPONDING TO THE NEEDS OF HEALTH SERVICE PROVIDERS

It is estimated that there are more than 4,000 children in Ireland living with complex life-limiting conditions (Ling et al., 2015; Fraser et al., 2021). Children who have complex care requirements or reach the end of life deserve the highest standard of care provided by specialised paediatric palliative or complex care nurses. Unfortunately, it is acknowledged internationally that there is an absence of HCPs who demonstrate the very specific and special skills to work in this demanding specialty.

JOIN A COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMME

This curriculum has been developed in conjunction with the School of Nursing and Midwifery, University of Galway, and the School of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Systems, University College Dublin (UCD). The evidence-based innovative curriculum has been created in partnership with national and international experts, parents and stakeholders in children's palliative / complex care.

ENGAGE IN PRACTICAL LEARNING

You will develop your clinical skills and build relationships with mentors / experts within the specialty by completing clinical placement in a children's palliative care / complex setting.

Through clinical placements, I've gained great understanding and experience in multidisciplinary working and the broad roles of specialist healthcare professionals who all play a large role in providing holistic, person-centred care to children and their families to help promote the highest quality of life possible. This course has highlighted the invaluable work being carried out in this area of care and how much understanding is still needed.

Aoife O Leary - Registered Nurse Intellectual Disability MSc / PDip in Health Sciences (Children's Palliative / Complex Care)

Having recognised gaps in my own knowledge in the care of children with palliative care needs, I was thrilled to have the opportunity to enrol in this course. I gained so much knowledge relevant to my practice that has been beneficial not only to the children we care for but to their families and to other members of my team.

Cathy Murphy
CNS in Community Palliative Care, South East

BENEFIT FROM BLENDED LEARNING

Our programmes are delivered through a combination of online and face-to-face learning, making them accessible to registered health care professionals with full-time work commitments.

MODULES INCLUDE

Service Improvement, Clinical Governance: Supporting Safe Practice, Advanced Research Methods, Quality of Life and Symptom Management, Care of the Child & Family with Palliative / Complex Needs, Specialist Understanding of Complex Care for Children

IRISH HOSPICE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

The Irish Hospice Foundation, in partnership with the HSE, is committed to developing a competent, confident workforce in children's palliative care and is currently offering a one-off scholarship for those working in community palliative care and other relevant sectors. Application is through the [Programme Director](#).

Graduates will find employment and promotion opportunities nationally and internationally.

Programme Facts

Course Level 9

Duration 2 years (full time)

No. of Places 14

Professional Recognition Approved by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland (NMBI)

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