

The CRC delivers a range of services to children and adults with disabilities both nationally and locally through our centres in Dublin, Limerick and Waterford and our Outreach Services. The mission of the CRC is that by working together we make a positive difference to the lives of people with disabilities, their families and carers. Our vision is that people with disabilities achieve their potential and live full lives as equal and valued citizens.



Clinical Specialist Speech and Language Therapist – Dysphagia

Permanent Full-time Contract, CRC Clontarf

This represents an exciting opportunity for a motivated and experienced speech and language therapist to work in the area of disability, as part of dynamic multidisciplinary specialist Feeding, Eating, Drinking and Swallowing (FEDS) Service. The speech and language therapist will ensure delivery of the highest standard of quality, person-centred care to children and adults with multiple and complex disabilities, providing an assessment and consultative service for clients and colleagues nationally. Working directly with other team members, the post-holder will be offered the unique opportunity to engage with planning of FEDS services at CRC, to ensure ongoing development of a high quality, evidence based service to meet existing and future service demands.

Research, education, and training will comprise part of this post. It will also provide an opportunity for the successful candidate to develop their own knowledge and experience in the area.

Candidates must demonstrate in their application that they meet the following **essential criteria**:

- Possess a qualification in Speech & Language Therapy
- Be registered or be entitled to be registered with CORU
- Currently working at senior therapist level.
- Have a minimum of 4 years' experience working in the area of dysphagia.
- Experience working with clients with complex health needs.
- Knowledge of the assessment and treatment of complex feeding issues
- Leadership and team management skills, including the ability to work with multidisciplinary team members
- Ability to manage a broad range of assigned responsibilities
- Evidence of postgraduate continuing professional development in the area of dysphagia / FEDS.
- Excellent communication, initiative, and time management skills

Desirable Criteria:

- Have a minimum of 4-5 years' experience in dysphagia in the area of disability
- Have experience with instrumental assessment i.e. VFSS
- Have provided clinical supervision to other staff and therapists.
- Demonstrate that they have evaluated their clinical work i.e. that they have explored outcome measures.
- Have experience in delivering training.
- Have engaged in research/ with projects
- Have undertaken presentations/publications.
- Full drivers licence and access to own car
- Research and audit skills with proven track record.
- Experience in service delivery planning and development

Applicants must demonstrate in their CV and supporting documentation how they meet the above criteria as short-listing will apply. Full job specification available on request. Informal enquiries to Muireann McCleary Speech and Language Therapy Manager tel; (01) 8542367.

Department of Health Salary scale apply. Please forward a letter of application quoting ref **CRC102/22** with a full CV to recruit@crc.ie or via Irish Jobs. Applications must be received on or before **5pm Wednesday 3rd August 2022**.

An active recruitment panel may be created as part of this recruitment process.