

# Degree Level Training for Health and Social Care Professionals



*Take your skills in dementia care to the next level!!*

**Dementia Elevator** has developed **3 degree level education/skill development courses in dementia care for health and social care professionals.**

**Dementia Champions:** Education Programme to improve and build leadership in dementia care, to broaden dementia awareness, and to make information available within local communities and services. This DCU accredited module (NFQ level 8) is delivered via blended learning at approved HSE Centres of Education in partnership with DCU (NS466 Person Centered Dementia Care). Centres for delivery include Dublin, Kerry, Galway, Donegal, Louth and Waterford.

**Therapeutic Skills:** Education Programme to develop therapeutic skills (emotional and cognitive approaches) among health and social care professionals, with a focus also on skilled cognitive assessment. This DCU accredited module (NFQ level 8) is delivered in DCU with blended learning (NS4028 Therapeutic Responses to People with Dementia).

**Everyday Ethics:** Education Programme to help navigate difficult everyday ethical decisions faced by health and social care professionals such as nutrition, hydration, responsive behaviours, assessment of pain, continence, medication, basic communication and carer support. This DCU accredited module (NFQ level 8) is delivered in DCU with blended learning (NS4027 Dementia and Everyday Ethics).

## Who Can Apply?

**Dementia Champions:** Applicants must be working in regular contact with people with dementia in a health/social care environment, should have completed recent dementia education (e.g. the National ONMSD Dementia 2 day Awareness Programme) and must be willing to take on the role of a dementia champion. Computer skills are essential.

**Therapeutic Skills and Everyday Ethics:** Applicants will have a NFQ level 7 qualification or higher, have completed the Dementia Champions Course (or equivalent) and will be in regular contact with people with dementia in a health/social care environment. Computer skills are essential.

## How Do I Apply?

To apply for the next available intake for any of the Dementia Elevator Degree Level courses please contact DCU Faculty of Science and Health, Glasnevin, Dublin 9. Phone: 01 7008975. Email: [science@dcu.ie](mailto:science@dcu.ie).

*For further information about the Dementia Elevator Project and the training courses on offer, please see the Dementia Elevator website  
<http://dementiaelevators.ie/>*

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