



Cashel Community School

Adult Education Programme



Course Description: QQI Level 5 – Palliative Care Support & Infection Prevention & Control

Infection Prevention & Control Module (Level 5)

This module equips learners with the expertise needed to prevent and control infections in healthcare settings. By completing this module, you'll gain the skills necessary to apply infection control best practices, ensuring a safer environment for patients and staff alike.

Key Learning Outcomes:

- **Comprehensive Knowledge:** Understand the basic principles of infection control and how to apply them in real-world healthcare environments.
- **Practical Skills:** Engage in a skills demonstration to showcase practical competencies in infection prevention. These assessments require completing tasks that demonstrate your ability to implement infection control measures effectively.
- **Critical Awareness:** Learn about the prevention, identification, treatment, and management of nosocomial infections (hospital-acquired infections).
- **Safety in Practice:** Develop the competence to maintain a safe environment for staff, patients, and visitors, applying standard precautions to minimise infection risks.

This module is essential for anyone involved in healthcare who wants to ensure best practice in infection control.

Palliative Care Course Module (Level 5)

The Palliative Care Course focuses on developing the knowledge and skills needed to provide compassionate care to individuals with life-limiting illnesses. By adopting a holistic approach, this module ensures that care is delivered with dignity, privacy, and respect, while supporting the needs of both the patient and their family.

Key Learning Outcomes:

- **Holistic Care Delivery:** Understand how to care for individuals with life-limiting illnesses, ensuring their emotional, physical, and spiritual needs are met.
- **Effective Communication:** Learn to communicate empathetically with patients, families, and multidisciplinary healthcare teams, ensuring clear and supportive interactions.
- **Dignity in Care:** Recognise that each person's approach to death is deeply personal. This course emphasises the importance of respecting their wishes and enhancing their quality of life.
- **Family Support:** Equip yourself with the skills to provide emotional and practical support to both the patient and their loved ones during this critical phase of care.

This palliative care course module prepares healthcare professionals to deliver end-of-life care that is respectful, compassionate, and tailored to each individual's unique needs.