



Postgraduate Diploma in Healthcare Innovation One-Year Programme

Accelerate your career and lead delivery of healthcare innovation.



Programme designed to fit your busy schedule

Healthcare is entering a period of accelerated, disruptive innovation with rapid discovery and adoption of new approaches to improve patient outcomes. To thrive and lead in a world of increased complexity requires skills in innovative thinking and creative execution. Through this **one year Postgraduate Diploma programme (NFQ Level 9)** you will be supported to develop a personal innovation framework for leadership. You will be ready to implement future health solutions, stepping up to the next level in your career development. This programme:

- Develops personal and professional capacity to **lead** innovation in healthcare.
- Encourages practical understanding of applying **new technologies** in healthcare.
- Critically appraises **innovation theory and practice** to inform your approach in applying solutions at the forefront of **global healthcare**.
- Examines the role of **health economics**, quality improvement and the **principles of governance** in leading effective innovation.

Professor Seamas Donnelly
Course Director

Professor of Medicine, HIHI PI,
Director of Global Relations
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“Our graduates are high potential change makers, qualified to lead and shape the direction of innovative futures in healthcare.”



Course graduate:

“I learned that innovation is about action. I developed skills as a healthcare leader, learned to challenge current practice and became part of a growing network of national healthcare innovation champions.. I now lead healthcare innovation and change across my organisation.”

Programme Overview - 2026/2027

Structure

Delivered through the School of Medicine Trinity College Dublin, the Postgraduate Diploma in Healthcare Innovation is a one year NFQ level 9 (60 ECTS credits) course. The course comprises of eight taught modules - six foundation modules and two project modules - and includes methodology workshops and practical field projects delivered via blended teaching in classroom and online. Each of the taught modules is delivered over a single weekend consisting of full-day Friday and full-day Saturday to minimise interference with busy schedules. Full attendance is mandatory.

Assessment

Participants are assessed on a module by module basis through a variety of practical assignments. The emphasis throughout the programme is on the practical application of knowledge to benefit the participant, their team, and their healthcare organisations.

Accreditation

On successful completion of the programme, graduates will be awarded the Postgraduate Diploma in Healthcare Innovation by the School of Medicine, Trinity College Dublin, The University of Dublin. They will become part of the national network of HIHI Innovation Champions.



Entry Requirements:

- ✓ Healthcare and health-related professional
- ✓ 2:1 Undergraduate Degree
- ✓ Completed Application Form
- ✓ 2 References (1 academic)
- ✓ Proof of proficiency in English



Tuition Fees: EU €8,320 (3 payment instalments) / Non-EU €16,650

* A limited number of Healthcare Scholarships are available to (Up to 50% reduction in tuition fees).

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MODULE 1	MODULE 2	MODULE 3	MODULE 4	MODULE 5	MODULE 6
Evolution & Revolution in the Healthcare Landscape	Design Thinking and Embedding a Culture of Innovation	Process Innovation, Lean Thinking & Social Innovation	New Venture Dynamics in Healthcare & Life Sciences	Patient Centric Health Economics	Healthcare Management, Leadership & Innovation
September 18 th & 19 th	October 23 rd & 24 th	December 4 th & 5 th	January 22 nd & 23 rd	March 5 th & 6 th	April 16 th & 17 th
Module 7: Healthcare Innovation Project Frameworks			Module 8: Healthcare Innovation Project Practicum		

October 2026

1 – Year

August 2027

Note: Modules & their delivery dates are provisional and may be subject to change

Apply online at weblink below:

- Closing Date: **31st July 2026**

*Scholarship Closing Date:

30th June 2026

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