Thank you for your interest in applying for the Hospice Friendly Hospitals Quality Improvement (HFHQI) Awards.

The HFHQI Awards launched in 2019 to recognise projects that will improve End-of-Life Care for patients, their families, staff and hospitals. This initiative is supported through the Hospice Friendly Hospitals programme and now delivered in partnership with the HSE Quality and Patient Safety Improvement Team.

Whether you are new to the HFHQI Awards or have previously applied, we strongly recommend carefully reviewing the comprehensive application pack, here.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the HFH Team via email at hfh@hospicefoundation.ie.

We wish you the best of luck with your application!

HFHQI Awards

Application Form 2024

1. Applicant details

Hospital Name:	
Name of Lead Applicant:	
Job Title:	
Work Address:	
Phone Number:	
Email:	
Name of Co-Applicants:	

2. Support for Application

Is this application supported by the hospitals End-of-Life Care Committee?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Who is the Chairperson of the End-of-Life Care Committee?

Is the hospital's Senior Management Team (e.g. Director of Nursing/General Manager/CEO) and the lead person for Quality and Patient Safety aware of this application?

☐ Yes ☐ No

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3. QI Criteria

Which criteria does your project meet?			

1	Innovation	A new & unique project that has not previously been supported through the HFHQI Awards	☐
2	Integration between wards	A QI project developed and delivered by two or more wards within the hospital	☐
3	Integration between hospitals	A QI project developed and delivered between two or more hospitals	☐
4	Integration between healthcare settings (e.g., residential home, hospice, etc).	A QI project developed and delivered between the hospital and another healthcare setting/provider	☐

4. Project Title

5. Project Aim

6. Linking to the Quality Standards for End-of-Life Care in Hospitals

What standard(s) does your project help to achieve?

1	The Hospital	The hospital has systems in place to ensure that end-of-life care is central to the mission of the hospital and is organised around the needs of patients	☐
2	The Staff	Staff are supported through training and development to ensure they are competent and compassionate in carrying out their roles in end-of-life care	☐
3	The Patient	Each patient receives high quality end-of-life care that is appropriate to his/her needs and wishes	☐
4	The Family	Family members are provided with compassionate support and, subject to the patient's consent, given information before, during and after the patient's death	☐

7. Evidence of the need for this improvement

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8. QI Project Plan
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9. Budget

Activity	Cost (€)

Total cost of Project:	Amount of HFHQI Award requested (max €3,000):	Shortfall:

How has your hospital committed to meeting the shortfall (if applicable)?:

What resources do you need other than money (e.g., time, personnel, expertise)?:

10. Commitment & Agreement

If successful, the hospital commits to measuring the impact of this project, and this has been detailed in the project plan	☐ Yes	☐ No
If successful, the hospital commits to completing the post-project evaluation and sharing this with Irish Hospice Foundation	☐ Yes	☐ No
If successful, the hospital agrees to acknowledging the funding of this project by including the Hospice Friendly Hospitals tri-logo	☐ Yes	☐ No

11. Reach, scalability, and the 'Ripple Effect'

☐ Scalability Nationally   ☐ Scalable to Hospital Group

☐ Replicable within the hospital   ☐ Lead onto other QI Projects

Please explain reasoning for this selection:

Thank you for completing this application

Please submit your completed application form via email to hfh@hospicefoundation.ie

Please visit the HFHQI Webpage for the application closing date