



Discipline of Health Promotion  
National University of Ireland, Galway.



## Specialist Certificate in Health Promotion – Oral Health

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Dental Health Foundation

The Discipline of Health Promotion, National University of Ireland, Galway, administers a one year Specialist Certificate in Health Promotion – Oral Health, in partnership with the Dental Health Foundation ([www.dentalhealth.ie](http://www.dentalhealth.ie)). This is a distance education course, accompanied by workshops which take place in the Marino Institute of Education, Dublin.

Established in 1990, the Discipline of Health Promotion is the only one of its kind in the Republic of Ireland and is the national centre for professional training and education in Health Promotion.

The course aims to provide students with a professional education and training in the principles and practice of Health Promotion as applied to the promotion of oral health.

The course is aimed at practitioners who work in the oral health field (for example Dentists, Dental Nurses, Dental Hygienists and others in a position to promote oral health, e.g. Public Health Nurses, General Practitioners, Dieticians, Nurses, Special Needs Assistants).

### **Award**

Certificate in Health Promotion – Oral Health, awarded by NUI Galway.

### **Annual fee**

The course fee is €1250. Please note that fees are subject to annual review.

### **Further information**

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Application can be made online at: [www.nuigalway.ie/apply](http://www.nuigalway.ie/apply)

The course comprises three modules:

### **Concepts and Principles of Health Promotion**

This module includes definitions of health and health promotion, health promotion programme development, debates and dilemmas in health promotion, communication training and facilitation skills.

### **Oral Health Promotion**

This module includes strategies in oral health promotion, inequalities in oral health, oral health and special care needs and the common oral diseases and conditions.

### **Project Development**

Students will be expected to design an oral health promotion programme, working with a specific population.

The first two modules include workshop participation and self paced instructional materials and assignments for home study, while the third module focuses on project work.

Each module carries 5 European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) points.

Successful graduates who wish to apply for the Postgraduate Diploma in Health Promotion Programme offered by NUI Galway can carry forward 5 ECTS, and on this basis are exempt from one optional module of the programme.

