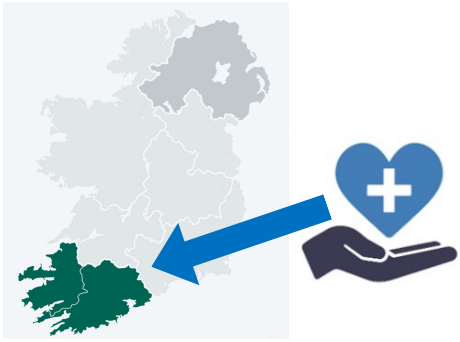
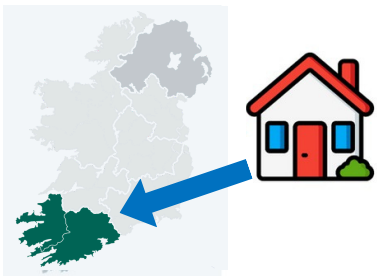
Would you like to be a member of our Patient and Service User Council?

	HSE South West provides health and social care services in Cork and Kerry.
	We are setting up a Patient and Service User Council that will include people who use our services.
	The council will share their experience and help us make decisions.

What will I do as a Patient and Service User Council member?

	You will come to meetings with other patients and service users.
	You will share your experience and give your advice.
	It is important that members listen and think about everyone's ideas.
	You will give your feedback to the senior team members in the HSE.
	This is to make sure what happens has your view.

Who can apply

	You live in Cork or Kerry.
	You have experience of using different types of health services.
	You will need to know how to join meetings and give your thoughts.
	You will care about and want to make things better for people.
	You will speak up on things that matter to you and share your feedback.

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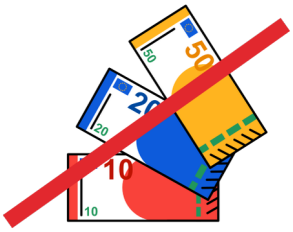
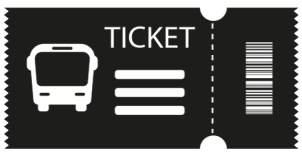
	Members will come from lots of different backgrounds. They will have lots of life experiences.
	You must be 18 years of age or older.

Things to know about the role

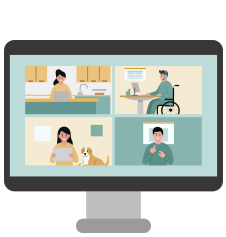
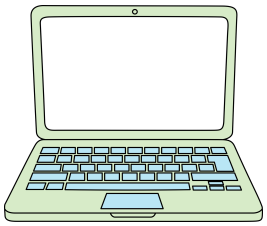
	You will join meetings every two months.
	The meetings may be online or in-person. We can help you with support to attend.

	Your role will last for two years.
	You will be a volunteer. This means that the role is not paid.
	We will pay for your travel to go to meetings.
	You will need to find support yourself if you need personal care or help to travel to a meeting.

How to apply

	You can apply online at hse.ie/patientcouncil or scan the QR code
	You can contact Jimmy Burke at partnership.southwest@hse.ie for an application form.
	You can also apply over the phone by call to 087 451 7250.
	You can contact us by email or phone to ask for another way of taking part, such as making an audio or video recording.
	The deadline to apply is 5pm on 26th May 2026.

Other Ways to Get Involved

	Patient Group: You can join this group to hear about new work with the HSE and to help in a group.
	Patient Email List: You can join this list to get news and invitations to meetings.
	You can apply to join the Patient Group and Patient Email List in the same way you apply to join the Council.
	Where to find more information If you have questions about your application, contact Jimmy by: Phone: 087 451 7250 Email: partnership.southwest@hse.ie