

# POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN HEARING, BALANCE AND COMMUNICATION

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## Programme Learning Outcomes

Programme Learning Outcomes for Postgraduate Diploma in Hearing, Balance and Communication (NFQ Level 9, Major Award)

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Critically evaluate the evidence with regard to the effects of hearing loss on the quality of life of the paediatric, adult and elderly population;
- Integrate and analyse the evidence with regard to the effects of balance problems on the quality of life of the adult and elderly population;
- Demonstrate an understanding of different diagnostic pathways in order to investigate causes of hearing loss and balance disorders;
- Critically evaluate the evidence base obtained from research within specific disciplines working with populations who are hearing impaired, and who have hearing-related communication difficulties;
- Critically analyse the evidence base obtained from research within specific disciplines working with balance pathologies in the adult and elderly populations;
- Reflect on the different perspectives with regard to the effect of hearing loss on communication and habilitation in the paediatric, adult and elderly population with specific reference to patient-centred approaches;
- Reconceptualise theoretical knowledge in terms of its practical applications.