



### Interested in reducing HIV-related stigma in healthcare settings?

# ARE YOU A HEALTH OR SOCIAL CARE PROFESSIONAL?

We are seeking stakeholders for an advisory panel for research to reduce HIV-stigma in healthcare settings.



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### **Project information**

### What is this study about?

HIV-related stigma in healthcare settings is a problem that creates barriers to accessing treatment and care and affects quality of life for people living with HIV in Ireland.

No policies or best practice guidelines on how to address HIV-related stigma currently exist. This project aims to work with health and social care practitioners and people living with HIV to assess needs and address this gap.

The primary objective of the project is to draw on community and scientific knowledge to develop policy and practice recommendations to help reduce HIV-related stigma in healthcare settings.

We are looking for people living with HIV and health and social care practitioners to be part of a stakeholder panel that will advise the research team on what should be included as part of the study.





### Who is carrying out the study?

The study is a collaboration between the Health Promotion Research Centre in NUI Galway and HIV Ireland. The project is funded by a grant from the Irish Research Council New Foundations Programme.

### Who will be on the stakeholder panel?

The stakeholder panel will be made up of five people living with HIV and four health and social care professionals.

### What does taking part in the stakeholder panel involve and how long will it take?

Panel members will be asked to commit to participating in one short initial meeting with the main researcher and in three hour-long group meetings with the rest of the stakeholders.

## I am a health/social care professional, but I have no experience working with people living with HIV. Can I still be part of the panel?

Yes. Experience of working with people living with HIV is not necessary to be a panel member.

### Where are meetings held?

All meetings will be held online via Zoom.

### Is participation confidential?

Yes. All panel members will be asked to sign a confidentiality agreement.

### Will I be compensated for my time?

As a thank you for their time and contribution, all panel members will be gifted a  $\leq$ 50 One-for-All voucher at the end of the study.

### Where can I find more information?

If you would like more information on this study or are interested in becoming a member of the stakeholder panel, please contact me directly by email: <a href="mailto:elena.vaughan@nuigalway.ie">elena.vaughan@nuigalway.ie</a>

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