



# Have you or a family member received **EXCEPTIONAL CARE** from an allied health professional or healthcare scientist?

## Nominate them NOW for an Advancing Healthcare Award

It is very quick and easy to nominate and will make a massive difference to someone who has provided you with exceptional care



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**Wednesday 10 June 2026**

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The Advancing Healthcare Awards Northern Ireland programme recognises and celebrates the important and innovative work of healthcare scientists and allied health professionals across Northern Ireland.

The winners of the awards will be announced at a ceremony on **Thursday 22 October 2026** at the La Mon Hotel & Country Club, Belfast.



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- Speech and language therapists

**Healthcare scientists** are healthcare professionals working in lots of different areas such as blood and sample testing, vision science, cardiac health, diagnosing health conditions, developing and operating specialist medical equipment, and many more.



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# Introducing some of our healthcare scientists

## Biomedical Scientist



A biomedical scientist is a healthcare professional who uses scientific expertise to help diagnose, treat, and understand diseases. They work in laboratories, analysing samples like blood and tissue to provide crucial information for doctors. Essentially, they are the behind-the-scenes science team that helps healthcare professionals make informed decisions about patient care.

## Microbiologist

A microbiologist is a scientist who studies microorganisms, tiny living organisms like bacteria, viruses, fungi, and algae. They play a vital role in identifying and classifying microorganisms that cause diseases, helping doctors choose the most effective treatments.



## Medical Physicist



A medical physicist is a scientist who uses their knowledge of physics to improve healthcare. They develop, maintain, and ensure the safety and accuracy of medical imaging and treatment equipment, helping doctors diagnose and treat illnesses. Essentially, they bridge the gap between physics and medicine, ensuring advanced technology is used safely and effectively in patient care.

## Audiologist

An audiology scientist, or audiologist, is a healthcare professional who specializes in understanding, assessing, and treating hearing and balance disorders. They work to diagnose and manage conditions like hearing loss, tinnitus (ringing in the ears), and balance issues, often using various testing methods and technologies like hearing aids or cochlear implants.



## Cardiac Physiologist



A cardiac physiologist is a healthcare professional specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of heart conditions. They use specialized equipment to perform tests that assess the heart's function, helping doctors understand and treat various heart diseases. They perform various tests like electrocardiograms (ECGs), echocardiograms, and exercise stress tests to assess the heart's electrical activity, structure, and function.

## Respiratory physiologist

A respiratory physiologist specializes in diagnosing and treating breathing and lung-related problems, including sleep disorders. They use specialized equipment and techniques to measure lung function, gas exchange, and response to treatments, working closely with doctors and other healthcare professionals to provide optimal patient care.



## Critical Care Technician



A Critical Care Technician (CCT) provides vital support in intensive care units (ICUs), emergency rooms, and other critical care settings, ensuring patients receive the highest level of care. They monitor patients' vital signs, assist with basic medical procedures, and help maintain the smooth operation of equipment. Essentially, they are the technical backbone of critical care, ensuring patients' well-being.

## Renal Technician

A renal technician, also known as a dialysis technician, is a healthcare professional who operates and maintains the equipment used to treat patients with kidney disease, including dialysis. They ensure the equipment functions correctly, and may also train patients and staff on its use. In essence, they are the technical experts who help keep dialysis machines running smoothly and safely.

