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**CAO Press Release**

**Embargo to 6am on 02/08/2018**

**Over 4,738 offers issued in CAO Round Zero today**

A total of 4,738 offers have been issued by CAO today (2 August) to 3,909 applicants.

The offers will be available to view online from 6am (on 2 August). Successful applicants will also receive a paper offer notice by post, email and a text message (if they have selected this option) with details of their offer.

Round Zero offers concern applicants who are not competing with those awaiting 2018 Leaving Certificate examination results, or who are assessed on other criteria. The applicants who fall into this category include graduate entry medicine applicants, additional mature applicants, deferred and Access applicants, and applicants presenting QQI FET/FETAC qualifications for consideration for entry to courses with a quota for QQI FET applicants.

This year there were 3,127 Level 8 offers and 1,611 Level 7/6 offers issued in Round Zero.

The reply date by which applicants must accept their offer is 9 August at 5:15 pm.

Speaking about the offer process, CAO communications officer Eileen Keleghan commented; "We urge all mature, deferred, and other applicants to log in to their CAO accounts today to check if they have received a Round Zero offer.

"QQI FET/FETAC applicants who applied for a course with a quota for QQI FET applicants should also check their account.

"Offers must be accepted by 5:15 pm on Thursday next, 9 August. Failure to accept an offer by the reply date will result in the offer being cancelled" she added.

To date, a total of 12,120 offers have been issued by CAO in Round A and Round Zero to a total of 9,787 applicants.

For all other successful applicants, Round One offers will be issued on Monday, 20 August. Round One offers will be available to view online from 6am on 20 August, and successful applicants will also receive offer notification by email and text message if they have selected this option, as well as by post.

The reply date for Round One offers is 24 August at 5:15 pm.

Round Two offers will be available to view online from 29 August at 10am.

For more information about the CAO offer and acceptance process watch the video guide available here: <http://www.cao.ie/index.php?page=video&l=102134759>

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