Section 4.3: Members of the Roma Community

This section is for HEAR applicants who are under 23 and who wish to be identified as members of the Roma Community in their HEAR application. If you are not a member of this community, this section does not apply to you.

Completing the online application form

If you wish to be identified as a member of the Roma Community, you must answer 'Yes' to Questions in section 4.3.

You only need to disclose (share) that you are a member of the Roma Community in your HEAR application if you wish to do so. However, if you do not disclose that you are a member of the Roma Community, HEAR will not be able to give you targeted support as a HEAR Priority Group.

If you do not wish to disclose that you are a member of the Roma Community in your HEAR application, select 'No' and continue to complete the rest of the online HEAR application form (sections 5 and 6).

If you select 'No'

HEAR will assess your HEAR application based on the other criteria.
HEAR will consider you for reduced points places, but you will not be prioritised.

If you select 'Yes'

You do not need to complete the rest of the online HEAR application.

What do I need to provide by post?

School or Community Reference Form

If you select 'Yes', you need to post a copy of the School or Community Reference Form to the CAO by Wednesday 10 March 2027 at 5pm. This is a reference form to be completed with your school or community group to support your application to HEAR. For the form template, please download from www.accesscollege.ie/hear-supportingdocuments

Applicants who wish to be identified as members of the Roma Community and provide the completed form will meet the HEAR Priority criterion and receive a score of 7.