Droichead Strand B: Additional Professional Learning Activities (APLAs)

The Droichead process is an integrated induction framework for Newly Qualified Teachers (NQTs).

It consists of two strands - Strand A and Strand B. Successful completion of the Droichead process involves both strands: school-based induction (Strand A) and additional professional learning activities (Strand B).

> Strand B: Additional Professional Learning Activities NQT Cluster Meetings Other Professional Learning Activity

Strand B is concerned with additional professional learning activities, which involve attendance at NQT cluster meetings and one other professional learning activity, relative to the needs of the NQT.

NQTs undergoing the Droichead process, should engage in one other professional learning activity in addition to the cluster meetings, identified in accordance with their professional learning needs and in consultation with their Professional Support Team (PST). Typical learning activities might be, for example, Teacher Professional Networks (subject associations), online/blended learning activity, attendance at a conference or Féilte, participation in a workshop, a Professional Support Group etc.

The Droichead Induction Division offers a suite of online induction workshops for NQTs consisting of Primary, Post-primary and Cross-Sectoral workshops. Induction workshops are open to all NQTs to support their professional learning. While they are

not a requirement of the Droichead process, many NQTs use them as their professional learning activity. To register for an online workshop please click here.

NQTs will need to record the title, date and duration of the professional learning activity on their Form D. NQTs can complete Form D by logging in to their "My Registration Portal" on the Teaching Council website.

