**UKBHC Pathway to full Registration**

1. The Current pathway to be **fully** registered with UKBHC is as follows

1. The applicant should be working as a Healthcare Chaplain. This could be a paid or honorary contract, or volunteer placement, although those on voluntary placements for the purposes of Postgraduate Certificate would only be offered **Provisional** Registration.
2. The applicant should provide the name of a senior Healthcare Chaplain to act as sponsor.  This should preferably be the applicant's line manager, where the line manager is a Healthcare Chaplain. (We expect the Sponsor to already be f**ully** registered with UKBHC)

1. The applicant should have been employed continuously in Healthcare Chaplaincy since June 2013 **OR** should have a post graduate qualification in Healthcare Chaplaincy accredited by UKBHC, or an equivalent award(s) (see below). 3 Units of CPE are accepted as equivalent to a Postgraduate Certificate. For applicants from N. Ireland 2 Units of CPE are accepted. If applicants are presenting qualifications as equivalent to a Postgraduate Certificate they are sent on to the UKBHC's Academic Advisor who will advise on their equivalence. (see below)
2. The applicant should fill out the details required on the application form, and should agree to adhere to the UKBHC's Code of Conduct.

To remain on the Register the Registrant agrees to pay annual registration fees and to undertake 35 hours of Continuing Professional Development (pro rata for part time employees) each year and to submit an annual summary of CPD activity.

For those who are applying and met all the criteria except the Postgraduate Certificate we offer Provisional Registration even if they are not currently pursuing a Postgraduate Certificate.

2. Criteria for equivalence for non-accredited Postgraduate awards presented in support of an application for full registration:

The core principle is that the award(s) offered in support of an application for full registration should offer evidence that the prospective registrant is fit and safe to practice as a Band 6 Healthcare Chaplain; and therefore, that the assessment leading to the award evidences the development of the UKBHC capabilities and competencies appropriate for a Band 6 post. In keeping with this core principle, equivalence of an award(s) to those accredited by UKBHC is normally determined by the fulfilment of the following criteria:

* The award should be at the equivalent of FHEQ level 7 (taught postgraduate), or higher
* The award should carry the equivalent of 60 credits at that level (equivalent to a Postgraduate Certificate), or more, that address the theory and practice of healthcare chaplaincy
* The award(s) should include a component(s) that assesses a minimum of 200 hours supervised healthcare chaplaincy practice (and critical reflection on that practice) – the benchmark for this component is a 30 credit FHEQ level 7 module (e.g. a placement module)
* The award(s) should include a component(s) that assesses the critical evaluation of models and approaches to contemporary healthcare chaplaincy – the benchmark for this component is a 30 credit FHEQ level 7 module

Any equivalence of awards that is outwith the criteria set here will require agreement from the UKBHC Academic Board.