

Dear Applicant,

I appreciate that at first sight the enclosed forms and guidance notes look a little daunting! Please, however, take time to read them carefully and don't be put off by the amount of paper. The documents have been compiled and designed by your colleagues to make the application process as easy as possible for you while still conforming to the accepted process of initial registration adopted by other health and social care professions.

You will probably also wonder why you are being asked to answer so many questions that at first sight have little to do with your professional practice. Unfortunately, we all live and operate in an increasingly regulated world and this is most certainly the case in health and social care professions. In order to have credibility and operate within the existing system, anthroposophical health and social care professionals need to demonstrate their commitment to high standards of training, practice and professional care just as all other professionals are increasingly required to do. The information requested is simply standard practice.

Registering with CAHSC will demonstrate your commitment to accepted standards of practice and will enable the Council to demonstrate to Government and other official agencies that all practitioners on its Register are properly trained, professionally competent and ethically sound. So this whole exercise is not a case of bureaucracy for the sake of bureaucracy but an essential step in demonstrating the credibility of anthroposophical health and social care.

While Council appreciates that the registration process will take time, thought and expense the process has been designed to be inclusive and to enable all those who currently practice as anthroposophical professionals to achieve registration. If you are unable to complete any part of the form, help will be on hand to assist you in this process.

Council also appreciates that any additional expenses are always unwelcome and they have therefore sought to develop a fee structure that all practitioners or the institutions where they work should be able to afford. Please do not forget that all fees you pay to CAHSC can be set off against your income tax bill and will therefore reduce the amount you pay by your highest rate.

I look forward to receiving your completed application and welcoming you as a registrant and if you do have any questions please contact me at administration@cahsc.org

Yours sincerely

Charles Reynolds
Executive Secretary