

JCCP Approved Routes to Demonstrating Compliance with JCCP Approved Entry requirements to the JCCP Practitioner Register

In order to ensure that those practitioners operating in the industry are more accountable to members of the public with regard to their 'fitness to practice' the JCCP has agreed that experienced registered healthcare practitioners should be able to evidence their compliance with JCCP and CPSA published standards for education, training and practice, either by undertaking a JCCP approved qualification or by providing evidence that they have acquired the requisite knowledge and practical competence through a range of JCCP Trustee Board approved alternative routes. These alternative routes are described below. Along with the JCCPs Fast Track Centre (see below), these alternative routes provide experienced practitioners with the opportunity to provide independently moderated/validated evidence to confirm that they have met the education and training standards prescribed for entry onto the JCCP's Practitioner Register.

It is important to note that these alternative routes have been benchmarked against the JCCP/CPSA 2018 Competency Framework and relate to the standards that are currently approved by both the Joint Council for Cosmetic Practice and Cosmetic Practice Standards Authority. These alternative routes do not in themselves provide evidence of the award of a qualification. Furthermore, it should be noted that the standards that are currently being applied by the JCCP and CPSA to both its approved qualifications and to its 'alternative routes' will be subject to significant revision, following the publication of the awaited Government review of standards for those procedures that will fall within the scope of the new cosmetic practitioner license which is expected to be agreed within the next two years. The new Government licencing scheme for cosmetic practice will be introduced in England in 2026.

In the meantime, the JCCP will continue to apply the mapping processes required to provide assurance to members of the public, practitioners and to other stakeholders within the aesthetics sector that all approved qualifications and alternative routes accord with the JCCP's required entry requirements to enter Part A (Category 1) of the JCCP's Practitioner Register. All JCCP approved qualifications and alternative routes are overseen respectively by the JCCP's Education and Training Committee or by the JCCP's Practitioner Register Committee).

1 - JCCP Fast Track Assessment Centres

The JCCP agreed in 2021 that practitioners can apply to register with one of the JCCP's Fast Track Assessment Centres (FTAs) which have been specifically designed for experienced, knowledgeable and competent aesthetic practitioners who are seeking entry to Part A (Category 1) of the JCCP's Practitioner Register. The JCCP's fast track assessment centres enable experienced and competent registered healthcare practitioners to be eligible to join the JCCP's PSA accredited Practitioner Register. 'Cosmetic Courses', 'Harley Academy' and 'Learn' have been approved to work to offer JCCP Fast Track Assessment Centres. The award of a JCCP approved Fast Track Certificate provides access to Part A – Category 1 of the Professional Standards Authority (PSA) approved JCCP Practitioner Register.

The fast track assessment consists of two components; a three-hour theoretical exam with questions testing practitioner knowledge, and a practical examination which tests the individuals' clinical skills and competence against JCCP/CPSA approved standards. All fast track assessment processes are the subject of JCCP oversight and verifiable internal and external examination processes.

2 – Medical Specialist Registry Mapping Against the CPSA and JCCP Competency Framework/Standards

The JCCP has completed an exercise with CPSA colleagues to review the alignment between the Royal College of Surgeon's Plastic Surgery Specialist Register's knowledge and competencies and the CPSA Standards and the JCCP (2018) Competency Framework. A similar mapping exercise has been completed with regard to the Specialist Register for Dermatology. As a result of this exercise the JCCP confirmed conformity between the GMC Specialist Register for Plastic Surgery and the GMC Specialist Register for Dermatology standards and the JCCP Competency Framework with regard to Level 7 aesthetics practice. Effectively this means that any current

member of the Plastic Surgery Specialist Register or any full member of the Specialist Register for Dermatology will be able to join the JCCP register as a full member (Part A – Category 1).

3 – The British College of Aesthetic Medicine Membership Examination and Grandparenting Scheme Mapping Against the CPSA and JCCP Competency Framework/Standards

The British College of Aesthetic Medicine (BCAM) Membership Examination has been successfully mapped to the JCCP/CPSA Competency Framework (2018). This route (and the BCAM associated Grandparenting scheme) has been approved by the JCCP Board of Trustees as an alternative route to provide evidence of meeting the standards required to enable successful BCAM graduates to join the JCCP register as a full member (Part A – Category 1). The BCAM grandparenting scheme is subject to ongoing audit by the JCCP Practitioner Register Committee.

Grandparenting is a provision that enables BCAM members who joined the College prior to introduction of the BCAM Membership (MBCAM) examination to obtain MBCAM accreditation in accordance with the presentation of a portfolio of evidence that has been approved by a panel of appointed assessors to confirm that members meet BCAM's own standards. The JCCP has appointed an external moderator to oversee this process and to verify each person who applies for entry to the JCCP Practitioner Register through this route.

4 – The United Kingdom Accreditation Service (UKAS)

UKAS is the Government appointed national accreditation body responsible for accrediting standards across a range of industries. The JCCP works with UKAS to map and align its 'Certification of Persons' Scheme with the JCCP's standards for skin rejuvenation. JCCP approval is currently available at an equivalence to 'level 4' for chemical peels and micro needling. The JCCP confirmed in 2019 that it accepts this Level 4 accreditation standard or membership of both Part A and Part B of its Practitioner Register.