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# Commonly Aligned Standards Pathway to Registration



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# Who are CORU?

**CORU is the official body that regulates Health and Social Care Professionals in Ireland.**

If you wish to work in a profession that is regulated by CORU, you must first register with CORU. It is a legal requirement. Registration helps protect the public and shows that you meet the required standards to work in your profession in Ireland. It also allows you to use a protected professional title, helping you to advance your career in health and social care.

## Commonly Aligned Standards

CORU has compared and assessed the Standards of Proficiency in Ireland against the Standards of Proficiency in the UK (including Northern Ireland), and for Physiotherapists in Australia and New Zealand.

The UK standards align with the Irish standards for the majority of professions which CORU regulates. The exceptions being Medical Scientists and Speech and Language Therapists.

A new fast-track pathway to registration with CORU was created, called the Commonly Aligned Standards (CAS) pathway. This pathway does not require the assessment of your qualification, there are significantly fewer documents to submit as part of your application, and the timeline for entry onto the CORU Register is greatly reduced by the creation of this pathway.

In order to avail of this fast-track pathway to registration, your qualification must have been awarded by a UK university or college and are you are eligible to register with the UK/NI regulator body for any of the following professions:

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|---------------------------|------------------------|
| ▶ Dietitians              | ▶ Physiotherapists     |
| ▶ Optometrists            | ▶ Radiographers        |
| ▶ Dispensing Opticians    | ▶ Radiation Therapists |
| ▶ Occupational Therapists | ▶ Social Workers       |
| ▶ Podiatrists             |                        |

If your qualification was awarded by an Australian or New Zealand university or college as a Physiotherapist, and you are eligible to register with the regulatory body of that country, you can apply via this fast-track pathway.

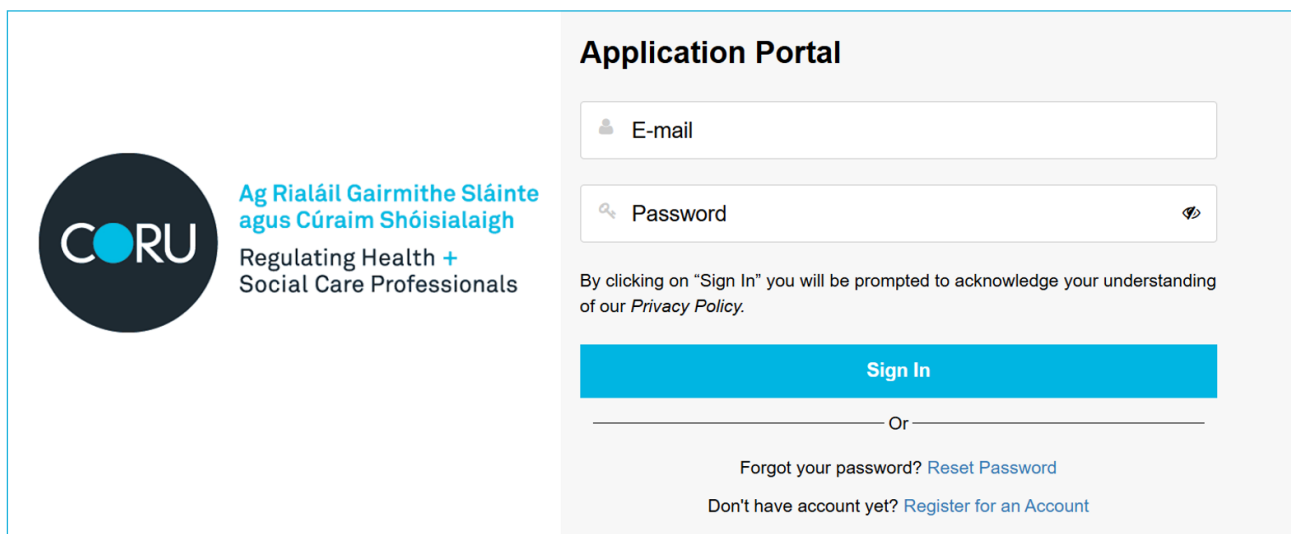
Follow the 3 simple steps on the following pages to register with CORU.

# Registering with CORU

## – 3 Simple Steps

### Step 1: Apply Online

Visit the [Apply for Registration page](#) on the CORU website and fill out the online application form. As you progress through the application, you will be required to upload documents as part of your application.



The screenshot shows the CORU Application Portal login interface. On the left is the CORU logo and text: 'Ag Rialáil Gairmithe Sláinte agus Cúraim Shóisialaigh' and 'Regulating Health + Social Care Professionals'. On the right, under the heading 'Application Portal', there are input fields for 'E-mail' and 'Password'. Below these is a 'Sign In' button. A note states: 'By clicking on "Sign In" you will be prompted to acknowledge your understanding of our Privacy Policy.' Below the button is an 'Or' separator, followed by links for 'Forgot your password? Reset Password' and 'Don't have account yet? Register for an Account'.

### How to Start Your Application:

#### 1. Create your Profile:

- ▶ First, you need to create a profile to start your application by entering your personal details on the online application portal.

#### 2. Verify your Documents:

- ▶ Before you upload any documents, you **must** have certain documents viewed and verified by an **approved certifier** (someone who can confirm your documents are real e.g. a Solicitor/Lawyer or Peace Commissioner).
- ▶ Documents marked with an \* in the following pages must be viewed, signed, stamped and dated by an approved certifier.

**Important:** Your application cannot be progressed unless the required documents you upload as part of your application are verified by an approved certifier.

### 3. Fill in your application:

**NOTE:** You will see the message - Your application matches the criteria for 'Frequently Seen Qualifications', therefore you are not required to provide any information within the qualification section.

**PLEASE CLICK SAVE AND CONTINUE** (see example of on-line application below).

**NOTE:** Your application matches the criteria for 'Frequently Seen Qualifications', therefore you are not required to provide any information within this section. **PLEASE CLICK SAVE AND CONTINUE**

Did you complete a research project/thesis as part of any qualification? \* ☒ Yes ☐ No

Related Qualification	Project Title	Number of Words
No records have been added. Click <b>+ Add New Records</b> to add records.		
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- ▶ Please click 'Save and Continue' in your application from Step 6 to Step 12 of the application. You do not need to input any information from Step 6 to Step 12. To complete the registration components of the application, continue to **Step 13** and input the information required.

## Step 2: Upload the Documents Required for Registration

### \* What Documents do I need to get Verified before applying?

1. \*Certified copy of Qualification Certificate
2. \*Certified copy of ID (passport, EU ID card, Irish Driving Licence or Learner Permit (new credit card format)).
3. \*Competent authority verification (signed and stamped by the professional authority/regulator). You must be eligible to be registered by the competent authority in the country where you obtained your qualification.
4. \*Certified Statutory Declaration (a document signed under oath confirming that all information contained in your application is accurate and true).
5. \*Certified copy of police clearance from countries you have lived in for over 1 year since the age of 18 years.

- ✓ Application Instructions
- ✓ Personal Information
- ✓ Eligibility Information
- ✓ Qualification Information
- ✓ **Research Information**
- ✓ Placement Information
- ✓ Internship Information
- ✓ Continuing Professional Development
- ✓ Memberships
- ✓ Employment History
- ✓ Verification Documentation
- 13 Supporting Documents**
- 14 eVetting Form
- 15 Fit and Proper Survey
- 16 Fit and Proper Survey - Residency
- 17 Attestation
- 18 Payment

### How Do I Get my Required Documents Verified and Certified?

**As you will be applying online with copies of documents \*above, these need to be verified first by an approved certifier.** To certify a photocopy of an original document a certifier must see the original document and the photocopy of the document at the same time. The photocopy of the original document must then be signed, stamped and dated by the certifier, which confirms the photocopy is a true copy of the original document.

### Who Can Verify my Documents?

An Approved Certifier can be:

- ▶ A Solicitor/Lawyer
- ▶ A Commissioner for Oaths
- ▶ A Notary Public or
- ▶ A Peace Commissioner

You can then upload the signed, stamped and dated photocopy of your document when completing your online application.

## Step 3: Make Payment of €510 Fee and Submit Application Online

**Once you reach step 18 on your application, you will be asked to make payment of €510.**

Following the submission of your application, we will inform you of any outstanding or missing documents in your application or notify you that your file is complete. When all documents have been verified by CORU your application will be deemed 'file complete' and you will be progressed to entry onto the CORU register.

**Entered onto CORU Register**

**Need help?**

Email: [registration@coru.ie](mailto:registration@coru.ie)