

# Who regulates **health and social care professionals?**

Health and social care professionals who work in the UK must be registered with one of the 12 regulators listed in this leaflet. These organisations have been set up to protect you.





### **General Optical Council (GOC)**

Opticians (optometrists and dispensing opticians)

**Phone: 020 7580 3898**

**Website: [www.optical.org](http://www.optical.org)**

### **General Osteopathic Council (GOsC)**

Osteopaths

**Phone: 020 7357 6655**

**Website: [www.osteopathy.org.uk](http://www.osteopathy.org.uk)**

### **General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC)**

Pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and pharmacy premises in England, Scotland and Wales

**Phone: 020 3365 3400**

**Website: [www.pharmacyregulation.org](http://www.pharmacyregulation.org)**

### **Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC)**

Arts therapists, biomedical scientists, chiroprodists / podiatrists, clinical scientists, dietitians, hearing aid dispensers, occupational therapists, operating department practitioners, orthoptists, paramedics, physiotherapists, practitioner psychologists, prosthetists / orthotists, radiographers, social workers in England and speech and language therapists

**Phone: 0845 300 6184**

**Website: [www.hcpc-uk.org](http://www.hcpc-uk.org)**

### **Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC)**

Nurses and midwives

**Phone: 020 7333 9333**

**Website: [www.nmc-uk.org](http://www.nmc-uk.org)**

### **Northern Ireland Social Care Council (NISCC)**

Social care workers, qualified social workers, and social work students on approved degree courses in Northern Ireland

**Phone: 028 9041 7600**

**Website: [www.niscc.info](http://www.niscc.info)**

### **Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland (PSNI)**

Pharmacists and pharmacy premises in Northern Ireland

**Phone: 028 9032 6927**

**Website: [www.psni.org.uk](http://www.psni.org.uk)**



