



Chair's welcome

Welcome to our final newsUpdate for 2020

The challenges we faced this year were of a magnitude that most of us have never experienced in our lifetimes. We are truly living in unprecedented times. However, I'm hoping 2021 will eventually see a return to something approaching normality. In the meantime, there will no doubt be further rounds of lockdowns and changes to local protection tiers around the UK. We will continue to keep you updated on any changes to your ability to practise and the latest guidance on working safely.

One positive development during the November lockdown in England was the legal advice we obtained which stated that CNHC Registrants could be considered to be providing "other...health services, including services relating to mental health" as specified in the regulations giving legal effect to the lockdown (Section 47, Part 3 of the Schedule to [The Health Protection \(Coronavirus, Restrictions\) \(England\) \(No. 4\) Regulations 2020](#)). The legal advice took into account that in Sections 25D and 25E of the NHS Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (as inserted by the Health and Social Care Act 2012) practitioners on Accredited Registers are defined as engaged in work that includes the provision of healthcare.

This meant Registrants were able to see clients with identifiable health needs during the lockdown and continue to support the public's health and wellbeing at this crucial time.

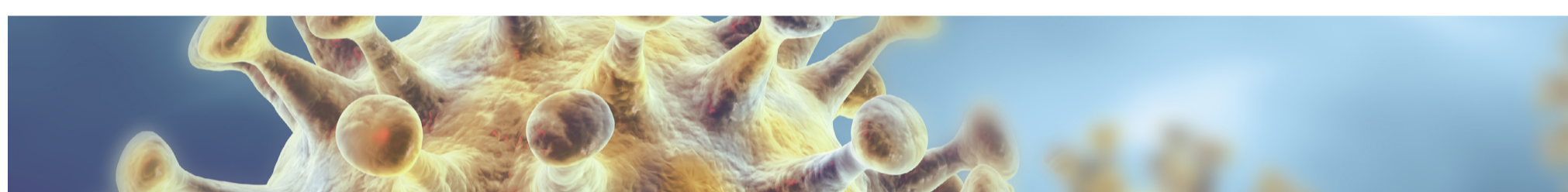
We are continuing to push for a response from the Scottish and Welsh governments and the Northern Ireland Executive to our question of whether they consider complementary therapists on accredited registers to be engaged in work that includes the provision of healthcare and are therefore exempt from closure. We will keep you updated on progress.

If you are planning to see clients over the Christmas period, I will take this opportunity to remind you of our [advice](#) on following government guidelines on working safely. By following this and our [Code of Conduct, Ethics and Performance](#) you can reassure your clients that as a CNHC Registrant you are committed to Standing Up for Standards and their safety is paramount.

However you will be spending the festive season this year, I wish you a very happy Christmas and New Year and hope that you, your family and friends stay safe and well.

Best wishes,

Michael Watson
CNHC Chair



Coronavirus (COVID-19) update



Useful information for Registrants on COVID-19

A reminder that you can find information and resources in the [coronavirus news](#) section of our website. This includes our [advice](#) on following government guidance on working safely and the latest [updates](#) on COVID-19 restrictions on working.

[Find out more](#)

Other News



Focus on the CNHC Code: Client records

Every month we will highlight sections of CNHC's Code of Conduct, Ethics and Performance. December focuses on client records. Keeping accurate client records is an important part of working as a CNHC registered complementary healthcare practitioner.

[Find out more](#)



ECIM 2021: New date announced

Due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, the European Congress for Integrative Medicine (ECIM) has decided to move the date of the congress from February to 5-7 November 2021.

An early-bird discount is available for CNHC Registrants.

[Find out more](#)



Holistic Therapist Magazine: Winter 2020 issue

The Winter issue of Holistic Therapist Magazine is available for CNHC Registrants on MyCNHC

[Find out more](#)



Latest job vacancies for CNHC Registrants

[Northern Centre for Cancer Care](#): Vacancy for a self-employed, fully qualified and insured multi-skilled Complementary Therapist/Clinical Therapist to join an existing team in a busy oncology centre at the Northern Centre for Cancer Care at the Freeman Hospital in Newcastle Upon Tyne.

[Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Nutritional Therapy/Dietetics at the University of Worcester](#):

An exciting opportunity to join a highly successful team of Nutritional Therapists within the School of Allied Health and Community who deliver an innovative and current curriculum in Nutritional Therapy.

[Find out more](#)



Season's greetings from the CNHC staff team

CNHC will be closed over the Christmas break from Thursday 24 December and will reopen on Monday 4 January.

The CNHC staff team look forward to returning in the new year to bring you the latest information and advice and to support you with your queries.

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