

Proposed Registration Pathways

We acknowledge the experience of Paramedics and propose three pathways for registration for your consideration. We also wish to emphasise that the intention of these proposals is to ensure that Paramedics currently in practice are able to get registered.

Please see below an explanation of the different pathways that will lead to registration. We are currently consulting on these different pathways.

For all pathways, you will need to complete a cultural safety education course; we anticipate that this will be a free online course.

Paramedic scope of practice

To register as a Paramedic through **Pathway A**, you will require evidence of completing an approved tertiary qualification in paramedicine.

If you are unable to register through Pathway A, we expect that you will be able to register through Pathway B or C.

If you hold a current Authority to Practice (ATP), we anticipate that you can apply through **Pathway B**. The ATP will need to be from a Council-approved provider, and we will work with employers to ensure we are able to approve as many ATP's as possible. The accredited providers will be known as Registration Assessment Programmes (RAP).

If registering through Pathway A or B is not an option, we can acknowledge your extensive experience through the submission of a portfolio that outlines your paramedic experience through **Pathway C**.

After consultation is complete, we will notify you of the documentation required in this portfolio. If you apply through this pathway, you may be required to complete a clinical assessment set by the Council prior to registration. We anticipate that the number of Paramedics required to complete a clinical assessment will be minimal.

Paramedic Specialist scope of practice

To apply for registration in the Paramedic Specialist scope of practice as a Critical Care and/or Extended Care Paramedic, you can apply to be registered as a Paramedic and a Paramedic Specialist at the same time. To register as a Paramedic Specialist through **Pathway A**, you will need evidence of completing a Council-approved Level 8 post-graduate qualification with a minimum of 120 points in intensive/critical care paramedicine or extended care paramedicine from an accredited education provider.

If you do not have this qualification, you can apply for registration by **Pathway B**, which requires a current ATP at the intensive/critical care paramedic or extended care paramedic level from a Council-approved provider.

The consultation closes on **21 September 2020**. Once the consultation is complete and all responses have been considered, we will communicate the documentation required for each pathway so that you can begin the registration process.

Te Kaunihera Manapou team are here to assist you. Please ring 04 381 9089 if you require further assistance to understand the different proposed pathways.