

## List of Competent Bodies (Professional Bodies)

A competent body is a professional regulatory body named in the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 or the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups (Northern Ireland) Order 2007.

The Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) must use competent body 'findings of fact' as facts in barring decision-making processes.

Findings of fact may be made in proceedings before one of the following bodies or any of its committees:

- National College for Teaching and Leadership (NCTL)
- General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC)
- General Medical Council (GMC)
- General Dental Council (GDC)
- General Optical Council (GOC)
- General Osteopathic Council (GOsC)
- General Chiropractic Council (GCC)
- Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC)
- Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC)
- Care Council for Wales
- General Teaching Council for Wales (GTC W)
- General Teaching Council for Northern Ireland (GTC NI)
- Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland (PSNI)
- Northern Ireland Social Care Council

