

## 5. CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS (CEUs)

- 5.1 **The system operates on a basis of trust.** CEUs are linked to a hierarchy of learning activities based on whether the outcome is measurable or not, or is a structured learning programme.
- 5.2 CPD will run over a two (2) year cycle with all practitioners required to accumulate forty (40) **CEUs per cycle**.
- 5.3 A practitioner, who registers for the first time at or after the commencement of any CPD cycle (1 July of any particular year), will commence with his / her CPD programme immediately. CEU points will be calculated on a pro-rata basis for persons registering after the cycle has commenced for the remainder of the cycle.
- 5.4 A practitioner who accumulates more than the required total CEUs in a cycle will be permitted to carry over a maximum of ten (10) CEUs to the next cycle.
- 5.5 A practitioner shall be required to obtain a minimum of **four (4)** CEUs in AHPCSA-specific Bioethics and Jurisprudence per CPD cycle, while the balance of CEUs may be acquired at a single level or across all levels. **An AHPCSA-approved bioethics and jurisprudence course is available at [www.aromasa.org.za](http://www.aromasa.org.za). A minimum of 70% pass rate is required for this course to qualify for four (4) CEUs.**
- 5.6 Cross Recognition of CEUs. If a CPD activity has been approved for a specific profession by a specific CPD Committee or approved by another South African statutory health council, all AHPCSA practitioners may attend that activity for CPD purposes **if it is relevant to their specific** Scope of Practice. Practitioners will, therefore, not need to apply for the activity to be reaccredited by their own CPD Committee or by the Registrar in order to claim the CEUs accrued for attending that activity. Only in the event that a practitioner is uncertain as to whether such activity falls into the relevant scope of practice is he/she required to present information regarding that activity prior to it taking place for confirmation that it falls within the scope of practice of that practitioner which confirmation will be given by the Registrar. In addition to the relevant CPD certificate issued by the Service Provider, the practitioner is required to present the following information: **Name of the South African statutory health council approving the CPD activity; the South African statutory health council CPD registration reference; and nature and duration of the CPD activity. CEU allocation will be as per the AHPCSA Guidelines.**

**Note: Any course specific to any allied health profession approved by any other South African statutory health council, or any other body delegated by another South African statutory health council, will NOT be recognised given that these bodies do not enjoy legal jurisdiction over**