## Outline Career and Progression Framework – Final V4. Updated March 2023

Entry routes All entry routes should be CASE accredited, or equivalent, from academic level 6*	Professional title (SfH)	Career Progression	<u>Career level</u>	Suggested band (*subject to local job evaluation)
Expert practitioner with experience & ideally doctoral level qualification or equivalent	Consultant Sonographer	Consultant Practitioners  Progression: Master's degree.	8	8a- 8d
**registration upon qualification from approved course if feasible Practitioner with relevant	Advanced	Woking towards relevant doctorate or equivalent		
Master's level equivalent ultrasound/ sonography qualification **	→ Practice Sonographer	Advanced Practitioners  Progression: Working to develop skills to match Advanced Clinical Practice Framework Postgraduate, M-level education	7	7/8a
Existing post graduate routes to be maintained	Practice	Enhanced Practitioners	6	6/7
**registration upon qualification from approved course if feasible	Sonographer	Progression: Further education and training which meets CASE academic level 7 standards or equivalent		
Relevant BSc (Hons) in sonography / medical ultrasound **		Structured preceptorship and skills development under capability framework essential		
Relevant postgraduate certificate, diploma or master's	<b>→</b> Sonographer	Practitioners  Progression:	5	5
in sonography / medical ultrasound		<ul> <li>Apprenticeship</li> <li>Accredited level 6 study</li> </ul>		
***May not be CASE accredited  Relevant qualification or competency 'sign off' in specific area of practice ***	Assistant Sonographer	Assistant Practitioners	4	4

<sup>\*</sup> Entry routes into sonography should be CASE equivalent i.e. the education and learning outcomes should meet CASE learning outcomes for the relevant academic level of study. See explanatory narrative for further details for non-CASE accredited awards.