Supporting CILIP's New Framework of Qualifications

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- Outline of new Framework
- Existing support networks
- Changes to support
- Challenges for the future

CILIP's New Framework

- Implemented April 2005
- Part of strategic plan
- Multiple flexible routes to Chartership
- Administered regionally
- Mentoring scheme shift from pupil/supervisor to mentee/mentor
- Under-pinned by Body of Professional Knowledge

Elements of the Framework

- Certification
 - New Qualification ACLIP
 - Recognition of contribution made by paraprofessionals
- Chartered Membership
 - Gold standard MCLIP
 - Self-directed development

Elements of the Framework

- Revalidation
 - Formal recognition of further development
 - 3-year cycle
 - Voluntary scheme
- Fellowship (FCLIP)
 - − New route − 2 cycles of revalidation
 - Evidence of significant professional contribution

Career Development Group (CDG)

- Key to support of CILIP's qualifications
- One of CILIP's largest Special Interest Groups
- Mission: "support, represent and promote the development needs of new and existing library and information workers and students"
- History of support of education
- Sophisticated regional structure

Chartership support

- Registration Liaison Officer (RLO) network
 - Provides impartial advice and support
 - Voluntary
 - Regional
 - Administered by CDG National Learning
 Coordinator
 - Training and email support for network
 - Funded by CILIP

Chartership Support

- Preparing for Chartership courses
- Informal meetings
- Publications Chartership Reader, Impact
- PTEG (Personnel, Training and Education Group) provided support for Supervisors

Challenges in supporting the new Framework

- New qualifications
- Increase in workload
- Emphasis on regions
- Lack of clarity of roles and responsibilities

Meeting the challenges

- Realigning the divisions
- Recruitment of teams of liaison officers
- Building links with PTEG and Affiliated Members Group
- Working with sector-specific groups
- Publication of new Qualifications Reader

Issues for the future

- Voluntary scheme
- CILIP's Review of Special Interest Groups
- Virtual support
- Support for international candidates

Further information

- www.cilip.org.uk/qualificationschartership
- www.careerdevelopmentgroup.org.uk