

# **Immigration (Health and Social Care Staff) Bill**

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Grant indefinite leave to remain to health and social care staff; and for connected purposes.

**B**E IT ENACTED by the Queen’s most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

## 1 Indefinite leave to remain

- (1) *An eligible person has indefinite leave to remain in the United Kingdom.*
- (2) The Secretary must, on request from an eligible person, issue physical documentary proof of that indefinite leave to remain as soon as reasonably practicable. 5
- (3) No fee may be charged for issuing a proof under subsection (2).

## 2 Eligible persons

- (1) In this Act—
  - “eligible person” means a person who, on the day this Act comes into force— 10
    - (a) ordinarily works in a health or social care occupation, or
    - (b) is a close family member of a person who ordinarily works in a health or social care occupation;
  - “health and social care occupation” means an occupation listed in the Schedule; 15
  - “close family member” means—
    - (a) a spouse, civil partner or unmarried partner, or
    - (b) a child, including adopted child, under the age of 18.
- (2) The Secretary of State may by regulations made by statutory instrument— 20
  - (a) add related occupations to the Schedule;
  - (b) extend the definition of “a close family member” in subsection (1).
- (3) Regulations under this section may not be made unless a draft of the statutory instrument containing them has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.

**3 Extent, commencement and short title**

- (1) This Act extends to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.
- (2) This Act comes into force on the day on which it is passed.
- (3) This Act may be cited as the Immigration (Health and Social Care Staff) Act 2021.

SCHEDULE

Section 2

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE OCCUPATIONS

- 1 The following Standard Occupational Classifications are health and social care occupations for the purposes of this Act—
- |                                                                   |    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| 1181 - Health services and public health managers and directors   | 5  |
| 1241 - Health care practice managers                              |    |
| 1242 - Residential, day and domiciliary care managers/proprietors |    |
| 2112 - Biological scientists and biochemists                      |    |
| 2113 - Physical scientists                                        |    |
| 2211 - Medical practitioners                                      | 10 |
| 2212 - Psychologists                                              |    |
| 2213 - Pharmacists                                                |    |
| 2214 - Ophthalmic opticians                                       |    |
| 2215 - Dental practitioners                                       |    |
| 2217 - Medical radiographers                                      | 15 |
| 2218 - Podiatrists                                                |    |
| 2219 - Health professionals not elsewhere classified              |    |
| 2221 - Physiotherapists                                           |    |
| 2222 - Occupational therapists                                    |    |
| 2223 - Speech and language therapists                             | 20 |
| 2229 - Therapy professionals not elsewhere classified             |    |
| 2231 - Nurses                                                     |    |
| 2232 - Midwives                                                   |    |
| 2442 - Social workers                                             |    |
| 3213 - Paramedics                                                 | 25 |
| 3217 - Pharmaceutical technicians                                 |    |
| 3218 - Medical and dental technicians                             |    |
| 3219 - Health associate professionals not elsewhere classified    |    |
| 6141 - Nursing auxiliaries and assistants                         |    |
| 6142 - Ambulance staff (excluding paramedics)                     | 30 |
| 6143 - Dental nurses                                              |    |
| 6144 - Houseparents and residential wardens                       |    |
| 6145 - Care workers and home carers                               |    |
| 6146 - Senior care workers                                        |    |
| 6147 - Care escorts                                               | 35 |
| 9271 - Hospital porters                                           |    |
- 2 In this Schedule, “Standard Occupational Classifications” refer to the United Kingdom Standard Occupational Classification 2020 published by the Office for National Statistics.

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