

The NHS Business Services Authority (Awdurdod Gwasanaethau Busnes y GIG) (Immigration Health Surcharge Reimbursement Scheme) Amendment Directions 2021

The Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 7, 8 272(7) and (8) of the National Health Service Act 2006⁽¹⁾, makes the following directions:

Citation, application, commencement and interpretation

1.—These Directions may be cited as the NHS Business Services Authority (Awdurdod Gwasanaethau Busnes y GIG) (Immigration Health Surcharge Reimbursement Scheme) Amendment Directions 2021 and shall come into force on 1 October 2021

Amendments to the NHS Business Services Authority (Awdurdod Gwasanaethau Busnes y GIG) (Immigration Health Surcharge Reimbursement Scheme) Directions 2020

2.—(1) The NHS Business Services Authority (Awdurdod Gwasanaethau Busnes y GIG) (Immigration Health Surcharge Reimbursement Scheme) Directions 2020⁽²⁾ are amended as follows—

(a) in direction 1(3) (interpretation)—

(i) for the definition of “the Guidance” substitute - “the Guidance” means Guidance for Health and Care workers reimbursement scheme³;

(ii) at the appropriate place insert—

““Eligible Applicant” means an applicant whose application has been approved under the Scheme;

“the Immigration Health Surcharge” means a charge payable under an order made under section 38 (immigration health charge) of the Immigration Act 2014.

(b) after paragraph 1(1)(e) of the Schedule, insert—

“(f) reimburse up to six months of the Immigration Health Surcharge per application where an Eligible Applicant —

(i) has paid the Immigration Health Surcharge on or after 31 March 2020; or

(ii) has paid the Immigration Health Surcharge before 31 March 2020 and still had at least six months of the Immigration Health Surcharge left on or after 31 March 2020.

(c) omit sub-paragraph 1(2)(b) of the Schedule;

(1) 2006 c.41

(2) The NHS Business Services Authority (Awdurdod Gwasanaethau Busnes y GIG) (Immigration Health Surcharge Reimbursement Scheme) Directions 2020 were made on 30 September 2020 and available at <https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2020-10/Immigration%20Health%20Surcharge%20Reimbursement%20Scheme%20Directions%202020.pdf>

(3) <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/immigration-health-surcharge-applying-for-a-refund>

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(d) At paragraph 1(2) of the Schedule at the appropriate place insert—
“exercise any discretion on behalf of the Secretary of State when deciding applications for a reimbursement under the Scheme;”

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Emily Clarke". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Date 15 September 2021

Emily Clarke
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