Right to Work in the United Kingdom (UK)

Tier 4

Non-UK / EEA nationals who graduate from a UK medical school who are due to undertake a recognised two-year full-time foundation programme are eligible for Tier 4 sponsorship.

Applicants who have been allocated to foundation schools will be invited to register for an online Tier 4 account in March (reserve list applicants will follow a later timeline). Applicants will be assigned a unique Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) number. Applicants must submit a Tier 4 application to UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) once they receive their CAS.

Contact information: tier4doctors@hee.nhs.uk

Tier 5 – Youth Mobility Scheme

The Tier 5 (Youth Mobility Scheme) is for sponsored young people from participating countries and territories who wish to experience life in the United Kingdom. The home government / authority acts as the sponsor.

Non-UK / EEA nationals who graduate with the UK primary medical qualification (PMQ) from the University of Nicosia and Newcastle University Medicine Malaysia may be eligible to apply for a Tier 5 visa under the youth mobility scheme. Applicants should regularly check the Home Office rules as they are subject to change.

Applicants for Tier 5 – Youth Mobility Scheme are required to meet the following criteria: -

➢ Applicants aged between 18 and 30
➢ Applicants must have £1,890 in savings
➢ Applicants’ home country must be one of the following: Australia, Canada, Japan, Monaco, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Republic of Korea and Taiwan, or they are a British overseas citizen, British Overseas Territories citizen or British national (Overseas)

Tier 2

Non-EU and non-EEA applicants requiring sponsorship to apply for Tier 2 will be allocated once all eligible UK, EU, EEA and settled workers have been matched to programmes in April / May.

Health Education England (HEE) will issue Certificates of Sponsorship (CoS) to allocated applicants. Applicants can apply for Tier 2 within 3 months of the start of the programme. Online standard Tier 2 applications typically take 8 weeks for the Home Office to make a decision on the application and 10 further days for the Biometric Residence Permit (BRP) to be received. Applicants should apply for their visa as soon as they receive their CoS as they cannot defer their application or start date.

Minimum salary requirement is £20,800 per annum.

Financial requirements: -

➢ Cost of the visa application
➢ Immigration Health Surcharge
➢ Maintenance – HEE cannot certify maintenance for applicants

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