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Dear Colleague

**NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE IN SCOTLAND
MANUAL OF GUIDANCE: OVERSEAS VISITORS**

Summary

1. NHS MEL(1997)3 attached interim guidance on the arrangements for visitors' entitlement, or otherwise, to exemption from National Health Service in Scotland (NHSiS) charges. That MEL advised that fuller guidance would follow.
2. The attached Manual provides fuller guidance on the statutory position and the procedures to be followed in determining overseas visitors' entitlement, or otherwise, to exemption from NHSiS charges.

Action

3. The terms of the Manual should be brought to the attention of all staff involved with care, financial or other arrangements for overseas visitors requiring NHS care.

Yours sincerely

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