

overseas missionaries and NHS treatment

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Important Note

This briefing paper has been removed from publication for the following reason:

April 2015: Change in law relating to NHS treatment in England and Wales.

From 5 April 2015 overseas missionaries, formerly resident in the UK, will no longer be exempt from NHS hospital charges unless they are presently resident in an EEA country /Switzerland and hold the appropriate European Health Insurance Card. Persons returning from outside of the EEA/Switzerland for hospital treatment will be subject to a charge of 150% of the national tariff for the treatment provided.

The one exception to this is where the person can meet the test of being 'ordinarily resident' in the UK, despite having lived outside of the EEA/Switzerland for a period of time.

Please note ordinary residence is a legal concept on which Stewardship is not able to advise. For further guidance and latest information, please visit the [Global Connections website](#)



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