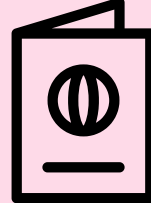


NRPF and Covid-19

We have prepared some practical tips about the availability of financial help for people whose immigration status includes a "No Recourse to Public Funds" condition (NRPF)

What does No Recourse to Public Funds mean?

If you are subject to an NRPF immigration condition, you cannot access most benefits, tax credits or housing assistance



Available financial help

Even if you are subject to an NRPF condition, you may be entitled to the following which are not public funds for immigration purposes:

- **Contribution based benefits such as:**
 - Contribution based jobseekers allowance
 - Contribution based employment and support allowance

But not income related or means tested benefits such as Universal Credit

- **Statutory Sick Pay**
- **Job Retention Scheme** for furloughed workers
- **Self-employed Income Support Scheme**

Domestic abuse



Call **999** for emergencies or **101** for non-urgent help;

You may be able to apply to stay in the UK if you came here as a partner but your relationship has permanently broken down due to domestic violence: contact us for more information

Immigration status

The Home Office has suspended various procedures and interviews, for up to date info see: www.nrpfnetwork.org.uk

You may be able to apply to remove the NRPF condition at: visas-immigration.service.gov.uk

If your leave is going to expire contact the Government Coronavirus Immigration Helpdesk: CIH@homeoffice.gov.uk

Children

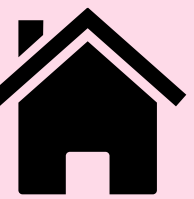
Ask your Local Authority about **free school meals** or **food vouchers**

Social services can help if your children are at risk of homelessness / destitution

Testing and treatment

NHS special provisions mean that there is no charge for **diagnosis** or **treatment of COVID-19** regardless of your immigration status

Homeless/ Housing



Local Authorities may be under a duty to accommodate you on **Public Health Grounds**

If you are **ill or disabled** contact adult social services to see if they can help

If you are an **asylum seeker**, the Home Office will not ask you to leave your accommodation until at least the end of June even if your case is decided

There is also a temporary minimum 3 month notice period for evictions, court possession proceedings have been temporarily suspended

Hardship



In any case, if you are facing **severe hardship** contact your local Council to see what emergency help they can provide

How can we help?

Contact us on:
Tel: 0208 863 4355
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