



South East
Social Care Alliance



International Recruitment

Bulletin 4

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Grant Application – Don't Miss Out!

All registered providers within the South-East region, are eligible to apply for a grant of £1,500 towards their international recruitment needs.

Grants are limited, and we've already received an unprecedented number of applications – **so please make sure you apply ASAP!**

For full details and application forms, please visit our website at www.sesca.org.uk/grant-application.

International Recruitment Seminars

Our seminars have been a huge success! Attendees found them highly informative, offering a unique opportunity to stay updated on the latest changes in immigration and learn about ethical recruitment and best practice.

There's still time to register to attend our final seminar in Southampton on Tuesday 8th August. To register, please visit: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/international-recruitment-seminar-tickets-671343334987?aff=oddtcreator>

If you've been unable to attend our Seminars, make sure you register to attend our follow-up Webinars, which we're running in September (see over).



September Webinars – Register Now!

We're running a series of exclusive webinars with immigration experts JMW Solicitors.

The webinars will offer practical tips, immigration rule updates, informative case studies, and Q&A sessions.

They are open to all registered adult social care providers in the South-East. Places are limited, so **please register now**, using the links below.

[Introduction to Ethical International Recruitment](#)

- Tuesday 12th September – 10-11.30am
- Thursday 21st September – 2-3.30pm

[Best Practice – Ethical Recruitment, Compliance & Onboarding](#)

- Thursday 14th September – 10-11.30am
- Tuesday 26th September – 2-3.30pm

[Home Care Provider Special](#)

- Tuesday 19th September – 10-11.30am
- Thursday 28th September – 2-3.30pm



Modern Slavery Concerns

Recent media coverage has brought attention to the rise in modern slavery investigations within the care sector. It is essential that providers ensure ethical standards in their international recruitment practices.

Vetting recruitment agencies thoroughly and safeguarding the welfare and rights of international recruits must be a top priority.

For more information, including guidance on reporting concerns related to modern slavery, please visit the international recruitment hub on the sesca.org.uk website. Additionally, modern slavery will be a topic covered in our September webinars.

Evaluation Process

Sara Dunn Associates have started evaluating our International Recruitment Project, assessing both provider impact and the effectiveness of our partnership working. We'll be reaching out to providers for case studies, to draw insights into the outcomes and benefits achieved by the international recruitment grants.

Department of Health and Social Care Feedback

We have received extremely positive feedback from the Department of Health and Social Care regarding the progress of our international recruitment funding project.

The Department has highlighted the effectiveness of our collaborative approach, which has been instrumental in successfully navigating the delivery of the project so far.

Out thanks go out to everyone who has been involved in making the South-East Social Care Alliance a shining example of best practice. We look forward to continuing our collaborative efforts and achieving even greater success going forward!

We hope you've enjoyed reading our latest update.