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Supporting you with International Recruitment



# Welcome

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How to Prove Vacancy
Is Genuine and Not For Growth





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### **Introductions**



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Our mission is to solve the complexity of immigration, as of May 2024, Borderless supports over 200 care providers, facilitating sponsorship for 1400 candidates!



### Agenda

- 1. What is happening with CoS's?
- Defined vs Undefined
- 1. What is a genuine vacancy?
- 1. Building Your Case
- 1. Documents Required
- 1. Effective methods & strategies
- 1. How Borderless can help secure CoS's
- 1. Q&A



### What is happening with CoS's?

#### **What Has Changed**

We have experienced a shift in the process of applying for both undefined and defined CoS's:

- It's taking longer
- H.O. requiring additional documentation

### Why?

The Home Office is trying to ensure:

- Those applying for additional CoS's are a legitimate care organisation
- Provider has enough work available to sponsor someone full time

### **Defined vs. Undefined**

#### **Defined**

- Good News!!! Defined CoS's are back
- Still being processed slowly

#### **Undefined**

- Undefined CoS's applications are getting approved and receiving responses from the Home Office
- We still recommend prioritising these requests

### What is a genuine vacancy?



- The job must fit the general needs of the business and can't be created for the purpose of recruiting a particular person.
- The business must have a current vacancy and cannot use sponsorship to bid for new contracts.

3. The vacancy requirement must match the candidate's experience. Job duties must fit into a SOC code description - can't be tailored to fit a SOC code to make it in to eligible occupation list.

### **Building Your CoS Case**

### Home Office are prioritising:

- Modern slavery victims
- Workers switching away from employers without sufficient hours
- Employers with the greatest need / demand



-> Your request is more likely be approved if you build your case based on the above

### What documents do I need?

- 1. CQC Registration
- 1. Signed Employment Contracts\*
- 1. Client Contracts
- Spot / dynamic purchase agreements
- Data Redacting
- 1. Staff Rotas
- 5. Organisation Hierarchy Chart
- 6. Identified Candidates
- 7. Other



<sup>\*</sup> If you are looking to see examples of these documents - come speak to us!

### **Effective Methods & Strategies**

- 1. Prioritize existing employees with visas expiring
- 1. Don't commit to sponsoring someone without CoS' in the bank
- 1. Submitting CoS requests at least **one month** before candidate start date
- Prepare and verify all Home Office documentation in advance, before submitting your request
- 1. Ensure your SMS Key Contact is up to date, check spam folders
- You must respond to Home Office within 5 working days of further information being requested
- 1. Documents

## Q&A



## Thanks for joining!

**Any questions?** 

#### **Get In Touch**

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#### **Contact Information**

If you have any questions, or would like to be kept up to date with the latest news/ information relating to the project, please email <a href="mailto:info@eastmidscare.co.uk">info@eastmidscare.co.uk</a>

Citizens Advice – any initial enquiries can be sent to the above email address or please call them direct on 01472 252516

#### Updates . . . .

- Website Our new website is up and running! Have a look around for more information on the project, upcoming events and meet the team behind the hard work – <a href="https://www.eastmidscare.co.uk">www.eastmidscare.co.uk</a>
- Upcoming webinars We have even more upcoming webinars for both providers and recruits, see our website above for what's coming up and register your interest!
- Afternoon Teas We are holding Afternoon Teas for your international recruits at care homes across the East Midlands. A fun afternoon of lawn games, shared stories and of course, tea and scones! Think your care home would be the perfect venue? Get in touch with us now at info@eastmidscare.co.uk.

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