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| Dear ColleagueAs you are aware, the UK left the European Union on the 31st of January 2020. We are now in the transition period which ends on 31st December 2020. During this period of uncertainty, we are committed to making sure our EU colleagues, and their families, have access to up-to-date information.EU and EEA citizensThe current rules on trade, travel and business for the UK and EU continue to apply during the transition period. The new rules take effect on 1st January 2021. This means free movement for EU/EEA citizens will end, and you may need to apply to the UK Government for residence status. EU Settlement SchemeAt all times, NES employees must make sure they have the right to work in the UK. To continue living and working in the UK after 31 December 2020, you should apply to the EU Settlement Scheme for settled or pre-settled status. The same applies for your family members, if they do not have British or Irish nationality. If you have not already done so, it is very important that you apply to the EU Settlement Scheme as soon as possible. You can apply for free, using any device, such as a laptop, Android device or iPhone.The deadline for applying is 30 June 2021. |

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| Further information on the EU Settlement Scheme is available via the link below. |

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| Keeping up to dateOur current advice, including links to reference materials, useful organisations, and FAQs, is available on [the hub.](https://hub.nes.digital/help-me-with/eu-citizens-brexit/)We will continue to update the hub, as more information becomes available.Other sources of information include:* [email alerts from the Scottish Government](https://nhs.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=5391ceba312d6f81e0430a42b&id=6080f03be1&e=868248e9c6)
* [the Scottish Government’s website on citizen’s rights](https://nhs.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=5391ceba312d6f81e0430a42b&id=ecd360504b&e=868248e9c6)
* [settled and pre-settled status information](https://nhs.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=5391ceba312d6f81e0430a42b&id=265545c96b&e=868248e9c6)
* [Scottish Government website: EU Exit – what you need to know](https://nhs.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=5391ceba312d6f81e0430a42b&id=5d458de2bb&e=868248e9c6)
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| https://gallery.mailchimp.com/5391ceba312d6f81e0430a42b/images/73a22145-9a6f-4228-87c7-2682ae8540b3.pngHow do I find out more?Trainees who require additional support or further information can contact their placeme board directly, contacts can be found here: https://hub.nes.digital/lead-employer-arrangements/placement-board-contacts/   |

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