

CRB Checks Now On-line for Agency Nurses & HCAs at British Nursing Association

To beat current delays in the CRB registration system, agency nurses and HCA members registered with the BNA, [British Nursing Association](#), and working in England, Scotland or Northern Ireland can now apply for and renew their Criminal Records Bureau checks online. This is the latest member application update by the IT development team at the association, founded in 1948, which also features on-line work diaries, automatic notification of compliance renewal and on-line training facilities.

This new advance in CRB registration will speed up dramatically the turnaround of Criminal Records checks, says the [British Nursing Association](#), and helps to ensure that all registered medical staff remain compliant and able to work at any time. Once registered members have completed the on-line application form, they can make an electronic payment with PayPal at the CRB fee of £46.20.

The requirement by the NHS is that all agency workers must hold an enhanced disclosure that is less than 12 months old. But with current delays within the CRB system this has meant that some candidates have to re-apply four months early to ensure that they have a current

CRB in their possession that at all times is less than 12 months old. The new service from BNA will ensure a more timely renewal the association says.

A division of the A24 Group, the [Group newsletter](#) also has news of the Agency Workers Directive and Regulations for BNA members. The AWD affects their rights to certain benefits but has no impact on a nurse or HCA's status as an agency worker. BNA will be providing further details of the effects of the AWD.

In the newsletter BNA also reminds agency nurses and HCAs that it is essential that every healthcare professional who works outside of the NHS maintains professional indemnity cover at all times.

The BNA, British Nursing Association, has helped healthcare staff to further their career goals since 1948. BNA's nursing agency service is the longest running in the UK. The association today is a preferred supplier of agency nurses and HCA jobs and staff to NHS and private hospitals, GP Surgeries and other Primary Care service providers - as well as the domiciliary homecare sector.

Qualified nurses and HCAs not already registered with BNA can list their contact details on-line in the first instance at www.bna.co.uk for agency jobs nationwide – also see www.facebook.com/BritishNursingAssociation

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