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- **Relaxation of labour market test for high earners and PhD level jobs**

Your quarterly immigration newsletter by Fernandes Vaz

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The Government have announced further changes to Tier 2 (General) which will affect applications made after 14th June 2012. There is no change to Intra company transfers. A summary of the changes is as follows:

Removal of some occupations from the Codes of Practice

In brief certain professionals will no longer qualify. The list includes:

Office Managers, Healthcare Practice Managers, Event Managers, Customer care Managers and Residential and day care managers.

Chefs are still on the Shortage Occupation List but the Migration Advisory Committee has been asked to review this list later this year. If they recommend any changes these will then be considered by the Government and further changes could follow.

Can I take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy Easter holiday.



Maria Fernandes

Relaxation of labour market test for high earners and PhD level jobs

- Those paid over £70 K and PhD level occupations will no longer need to advertise in Jobcentreplus although they will still need to advertise elsewhere. Those earning over £150000 are completely exempt from the advertising requirements.
- For PhD level jobs the best rather than the most suitable applicants can be selected
- Any advertising carried out will be valid for 12 months rather than 6 (as is the case now and remains the case for all other applicants)

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