

Access to GP registration

for people who are homeless, of not fixed abode, without proof of ID or without regularised immigration status.

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I have the right to register and receive treatment from a GP practice

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I <u>do not</u> need a fixed address. I <u>do not</u> need identification.

Anyone in England can see a GP.

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If I have any problems I can call 0300 311 2233 If I need more information I can visit www.nhs.uk/register

I may need help filling in forms.

I may need help reading and understanding.

I would like to speak to someone confidentially.

Supported by NHS England/Improvement a London based charity supporting the homeless population has created the "My Right to Healthcare" card, sometimes referred to as "GP Access Cards".

These are now being sent out nationally through local Healthwatch organisations for distribution to communities that may have faced barriers historically or are not aware of their right to register.

The supply for Somerset has recently arrived and you may find people in possession of these cards requesting registration at your practice.

It is important that, other than the approved reasons for refusal, people are able to register without providing proof of address, immigration status, formal ID etc.

You can find out more about this on the <u>NHS England website</u> which also provides links to online training for Reception staff