

Useful websites for carers working in the UK

Transport Direct Info

A great website for getting travel info for plane, train, bus or walking journeys and it even offers a door-to-door service. Also includes traffic updates etc.

<http://www.transportdirect.info/Web2/Home.aspx?repeatingloop=Y>

Nailsworth

If you are a new carer joining us and coming on the training course at the head office of Corinium Care in Nailsworth then you may find this link helpful.

<http://www.nailsworth.com/>

British Midland

BMI provide low cost flights throughout Europe and worldwide. Visit flybmi.com to find out more and to book online.

<http://www.flybmi.com/bmi/splash.aspx>

Cheap flights

Find the cheapest flights...on one site!

<http://www.cheapflights.co.uk/>

Visit Britain

The official tourist site of the UK. Start by choosing your home country and the site will customise to show links that will be especially relevant to your nationality.

<http://www.visitbritain.com/>

1st Contact

This site contains a vast amount of information for anyone coming to the UK from the Southern Hemisphere. Just about any question you ask will be answered and there is also an excellent bulletin board for instant replies.

<http://www.1stcontact.com/>

EasyJet

Online booking for economy air travel throughout the UK and abroad.

<http://www.easyjet.com/asp/en/book/index.asp>

Up My Street

Locate an area by postcode to show the demographics of that area. House prices, school league tables, ACORN profile, local shops etc. A vast amount of information is available.

<http://www.upmystreet.com/>

Multimap

By typing an address or postcode, a map is shown of the area. Also contains local information such as nearest railway and bus stations and weather forecast. Click on the link and it will open to show the Corinium Care office in Nailsworth, Gloucestershire.

<http://www.multimap.com/>

AA

If you click on 'Travel' and go to 'Route Planner' you can get directions to and from clients' homes using their town or postcode.

<http://www.theaa.com/>

RAC

The RAC website also provides a route planner to plan your journey. Click on the link and go to 'Route Planner' on the left hand side.

<http://www.rac.co.uk/>

National Rail

Use this site for booking train tickets or viewing time tables. Don't forget that when you book tickets online you'll usually get an online discount.

Rail travel

Any train journeys can be planned using this website.

<http://www.thetrainline.com/>

Bus and coach travel

Carers without their own transport will need to find their own way from client to client. The best and most economical way to travel is often by National Express, the largest coach company in the UK.

<http://www.nationalexpress.com/home/hp.cfm>

Opening a UK bank account

Opening a bank account in the UK can be difficult. This site offers advice and information.

<http://www.workgateways.com/working-uk-banking.html>

Self employment

All our carers are self-employed and simply register with our agency. As such, all carers must register with the tax authority, HM Revenue and Customs, as self-employed.

<http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/startingup/>

International Driving Licence

Most international carers can use their home driving licence for a year in the UK. However, it is advisable that all overseas carers apply for an international licence as it can be requested by insurance or hire companies.

Overseas Visitors Club

Especially for South African carers, this website will be useful when applying for a work permit.

Home Office - Working in the UK

Carers travelling to Corinium Care who don't already have eligibility to work in the UK will need to apply for a work permit.

<http://www.bia.homeoffice.gov.uk/workingintheuk/>