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Dear Robin

Thank you for your email of 1 July 2014 originally sent to Hon Nathan Guy which has been passed to Immigration New Zealand for response.

You noted in your email that “in order to qualify for a Working Holiday Visa, applicants must hold medical and comprehensive hospitalisation insurance for the length of their stay as per your requirements” and asked for “a detailed definition of those terms as well as a schedule for the different level of covers required for my insurance to meet those requirements”.

Most Working Holiday visa applicants must obtain medical and comprehensive hospitalisation insurance before their visa is granted. To find out if this applies to you, you can refer to your country’s specific requirements in the list of available schemes on our website at: <http://www.immigration.govt.nz/migrant/stream/work/workingholiday/>

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have suitable medical and comprehensive hospitalisation insurance as certain visa holders are not covered by New Zealand’s publicly funded health services. If you are not eligible for New Zealand’s publicly funded health services and you require health or disability services while in New Zealand you can expect to be invoiced for the services received.

Immigration instructions for working holiday visa applicants do not require a specific level of medical and hospitalisation insurance cover.

If you have any further queries regarding working holiday visas please visit our website on the link supplied, or contact our Contact Centre on 0508 558 855.

Yours sincerely



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