# Free HIV Treatment for All England Residents Now in Effect

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HIV treatment is now officially free for all who need it in England, including undocumented migrants and non-United Kingdom citizens, as per legislation that went into effect today, October 1, and has been reviewed in detail by aidsmap. Other countries of the U.K may still technically charge for HIV treatment, depending on immigration status. However, this this hasn't been actively pursued in Scotland or Wales in recent years; in Northern Ireland, charges for HIV treatment have sometimes been rigorously enforced. The National AIDS Trust (NAT), aidsmap reports, has called for a formal change in the law in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, to ensure that free universal access to HIV treatment is guaranteed across the U.K., not just in England.

To read aidsmap's review of the legislation and access to HIV care in the U.K., click here.

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