



**DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

MEDIA RELEASE

**REVISION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A MEDICAL INSURANCE POLICY
FOR PERMANENT RESIDENTS AND IMMIGRATION PASS HOLDERS**

1. The Ministry of Home Affairs, through the Department of Labour and the Department of Immigration and National Registration, in collaboration with Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education, announces the revision and implementation of a new medical insurance protection for Permanent Residents and Immigration Pass Holders.
2. It is hereby informed that every holder of an Immigration Pass and Permanent Resident of Brunei Darussalam who is a foreign national under the categories of Foreign Nationals Contributing to the Economy, Development, and Progress of the Country and Professional is required to obtain medical insurance in accordance to the revised insurance coverage and duration.
3. The primary objective of this update is to ensure that all Immigration Pass holders, employers, and Permanent Residents under the specified categories have sufficient insurance coverage for medical treatment while residing or working in Brunei Darussalam.
4. The implementation will be **executed in phases** as follows:
 - 4.1 **Phase One will be effective on 01st July 2025**, covering the following **types of Immigration Passes and Permanent Residents** as follows:

No.	Type of Immigration Pass and Entry Permits	Coverage Period	Minimum Coverage Amount
1.	Employment Pass for Domestic Services Category	Throughout the validity period of the Employment Pass	Minimum of \$100,000.00
2.	Visit Pass (Entered Brunei with Visit Visa)	Throughout the validity period of the Visit Pass	Minimum of \$10,000.00
3.	Professional Visit Pass and Business Visit Pass	Throughout the validity period of the Visit Pass	Minimum of \$10,000.00 (for visits under 90 days) Minimum of \$100,000.00 (for visits exceeding 90 days)
4.	Permanent Resident under the categories Foreign Nationals Contributing to the Economy, Development and Progress of the Nation and Professional	Throughout the validity period of the Entry Permit	Minimum of \$100,000.00

4.2 **Phase Two will be effective on 01st January 2026**, covering the following types of Immigration Passes:

No.	Type of Immigration Pass	Coverage Period	Minimum Coverage Amount
1.	Employment Pass for Private Sector	Throughout the validity period of the Employment Pass	Minimum of \$100,000.00
2.	Dependent Pass (Spouse and non-schooling children)	Throughout the validity period of the Dependent Pass	Minimum of \$10,000.00
3.	Student Pass	Throughout the validity period of the Student Pass or Dependent Pass permitted to Study	Minimum of \$5,000.00

5. However, Employment Pass holders who are officials and staff of High Commissions and Foreign Embassies in Brunei Darussalam, as well as foreign nationals entering Brunei Darussalam for visiting purposes under the visa exemption arrangements with Brunei Darussalam or for transit purposes (transit visa / pass) not exceeding 72 hours (03 days), are exempted from obtaining medical insurance coverage.
6. Meanwhile, immigrant worker insurance purchased before the effective date of this new policy remains valid after the implementation date until the expiry of the respective medical insurance coverage. Therefore, new medical insurance with a revised coverage is required throughout the period of validity of Employment Pass.
7. In an effort to raise awareness and provide further clarification of this revised insurance protection policy, the Ministry of Home Affairs, through the Department of Labour and the Department of Immigration and National Registration, alongside the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Education, will conduct several briefing sessions for employers, including employment agencies, and Domestic Service License holders at a later date to be announced.

8. For any inquiries or further information, kindly contact respective departments through any of the followings:

No.	Division	Phone Number and Email
1.	Enforcement Division, Department of Labour	2381848 (during office hours) or 7298989 (outside office hours)
2.	Prosecution and Legal Division, Department of Labour	2380256 ext 4210 (during office hours) or through email at info.buruh@buruh.gov.bn
3.	Work Pass Division, Department of Immigration and National Registration	2381107 / 2382108 / 2383106 / 2382430 or through email at info@immigration.gov.bn

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