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Key worker status for Chiropractors

Please be advised that under Schedule 2 Part 3 of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) Regulations 2020 UK Statutory Instruments 2020 No.350, chiropractors are identified in this legislation as one of the healthcare professions permitted to remain open. As such Chiropractors may be considered as 'key workers'. Statutory Instruments for Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland reflect similar provisions.

Many Chiropractors are keeping their clinics open to help reduce the burden on the NHS by offering frontline MSK healthcare provision and may be considered as having key worker status when accessing education provision for their children. Please see latest guidance on accessing educational settings for key workers:

Guidance Critical workers and vulnerable children who can access schools or educational settings
Updated 31 December 2020.

For England: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

For Wales: <https://gov.wales/identifying-children-critical-workers-guidance>

For Northern Ireland: <https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/news/ministers-announce-extension-definition-key-workers-access-childcare>

For Scotland: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-childcare-provision-from-26-december-to-18-january/pages/vulnerable-children/>

The Alliance of UK Chiropractors represents approximately 1,500 registered chiropractors and our members are working tirelessly to provide care to their patients throughout this pandemic. For some, the ability to access education for their children will mean they can continue to provide this essential service. Without access to education, it is anticipated that many will have to temporarily close their practices throughout this latest lockdown.

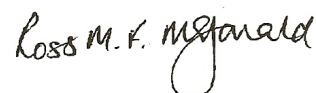
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