

Asylum Seekers and Refugees Useful Web Addresses

Amnesty International

Working to protect Human Rights Worldwide.

<http://www.amnesty.org/>

Asylum Aid

Asylum Aid is a charity which provides free legal advice and representation to refugees and asylum-seekers seeking safety in the UK from persecution. We also campaign for the fair treatment of refugees in the UK

www.asylumaid.org.uk

Asylum rights

Asylum Rights in the 21st Century
a critical resource

www.asylumrights.net/

Asylum statistics

The Research Development and Statistics Directorate (RDS) is an integral part of the Home Office. The RDS statistics on immigration, asylum and nationality cover asylum applications and decisions and appeals, and numbers of asylum seekers supported, detained and removed.

www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/immigration1.html

Asylum support

AsylumSupport.info focuses on all matters that concern people seeking asylum, together with a directory of hundreds of online resources relating to: asylum and refugees, conflict, country data, court cases, deportation, detention, discrimination, funding, gender, government, human rights, human trafficking, law, media, migration, policy and studies

www.asylumsupport.info/law/act.htm

BMA

Publications available online include:

- Asylum seekers: meeting their healthcare needs British Medical Association Board of Science and Education October 2002
- Access to health care for asylum seekers January 2001
- Asylum seekers - health in the UK October 2002
- Asylum seekers & health : a BMA & Medical Foundation for the Care of the Victims of Torture dossier
- Statistics from BMA /Refugee Council refugee doctor database April 2003

www.bma.org

Centre for Research in Ethnic Relations Database (UK)

The database includes resources relating to ethnic relations including citations of pamphlets, reports and journal articles. Many of the records are concerned with health issues.

http://www.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/CRER_RC/

Department of Health Publications

<http://www.info.doh.gov.uk/doh/point.nsf/Publications?ReadForm>

Caring for Dispersed Asylum Seekers - A Resource Pack

<http://www.doh.gov.uk/asylumseekers/resourcepack.htm>

[Urgent update: unaccompanied asylum seeking children: special grant 1999/2000](#) (DH Publications)

- 90 [Meeting the health needs of refugee and asylum seekers in the UK an information and resource pack for health workers](#) (DH Publications)
- 89 [Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002](#) (DH Publications)
- 84 [Interdepartmental Working Group on Tuberculosis guidance on tuberculosis control Department of Health](#) (DH Publications)
- 75 [NEARLY A FIFTH OF GPs IN PMS](#) (Press releases)
- 74 [Adult asylum seekers accommodation special grant \(ASAG\) report no 30](#) LAC (98)5 (DH Circulars)
- 72 [Asylum Seekers Accommodation Special Grant \(ASAG\) Report No 24](#) LAC (97)6 (DH Circulars)
- 71 [Allocation of DDRB ú60 million to GPs Seniority payments and deprivation payments allowance for practices providing a quality service Model local development schemes HSC 1999/107](#) (DH Circulars)
- 71 [Asylum seekers accommodation grant amendment to audit certificate](#) LASSL (99)19 (DH Circulars)
- 61 [Guidance on accommodating children in need and their families](#)

Diversity Rx

Diversity Rx: promotes language and cultural competence to improve the quality of health care for minority, immigrant, and ethnically diverse communities

www.diversityrx.org/HTML/DIVRX.htm

Ethnic Minorities Law Centre, Glasgow

The Ethnic Minorities Law Centre is a recognised Scottish charity and has been operating since 1991 as a non-profit making company limited by guarantee providing ethnic minority communities with access to professional services to address unmet legal needs.

<http://www.emlc.org.uk/>

e-library

The NHS Scotland e-Library is a direct response by NHS Education for Scotland to provide equitable access to information and learning resources to *all* NHS staff regardless of geographic location, staff category or discipline.

www.elib.scot.nhs.uk/

European Council on refugees

ECRE is an umbrella organisation of 74 refugee-assisting agencies in 31 countries working towards fair and humane policies for the treatment of asylum seekers and refugees.

www.ecre.org/

Forced Migration on line

Forced Migration Online (FMO) provides instant access to a wide variety of online resources dealing with the situation of forced migrants worldwide. Designed for use by practitioners, policy makers, researchers, students or anyone interested in the field, FMO aims to give comprehensive information in an impartial environment and to promote increased awareness of human displacement issues to an international community of users.

www.forcedmigration.org/

HARPWEB

A directory of information and resources concerning health needs of asylum seekers and refugees.

<http://www.harpweb.org.uk/>

HARP's Mental Health and Well Being Web Resource.

This website has been designed to help health professionals in assisting asylum seekers and refugees with mental health issues.

<http://www.mentalhealth.harpweb.org.uk/index.php>

Health Education Board for Scotland

On 1 April 2003, the Health Education Board for Scotland (HEBS) and the Public Health Institute of Scotland (PHIS) merged to become NHS Health Scotland.

The Health Education Board for Scotland is Scotland's national agency for health education, health promotion, health advice and health information

<http://www.hebs.com/index.htm>

HIV/AIDS Carers and Family Support Group

HIV/AIDS Carers and Family support group provide support and services to carers, families, partners and friends who have a loved one with HIV or AIDS.

hiv-aids-carers.org.uk/help.shtml

IND latest Information

Up to the minute news and views on immigration and nationality in the UK.

www.ind.homeoffice.gov.uk/default.asp?pageID=13

Irish Centre for Migration

This site provides background facts and figures, documentation, comparative reports and links.
migration.ucc.ie/immigration/

MEDACT

The members of the network aim to share information and best practice amongst those working to facilitate improving the health of refugees
www.medact.org/tbx/pages/

Medical Foundation for AIDS and Sexual Health

This site tells you about work with health professionals and policy-makers. It also gives information about current policy and practice, and provides links to a wide range of other useful sources of information.
www.medfash.org.uk/

Medical Foundation for the Victims of Torture

Founded in 1985 the Medical Foundation for the Victims of Torture provides care and rehabilitation to survivors of torture and other forms of organised violence,
<http://www.torturecare.org.uk/>

Multikulti

The Multikulti website aims to support citizenship through the delivery of culturally appropriate accurately translated information on health and welfare areas.
<http://www.multikulti.org.uk/>

Positive Action in Housing

This web site provides information on the purpose of the body, its recent activities and campaigns. The site also offers access to recent news stories, articles and speeches arranged thematically. Topics covered include: race and housing in Scotland, racial discrimination and harassment of refugees, new housing legislation and Scottish housing policy.
<http://www.paih.org/>

Positively women

Positively Women aims to: empower women living with HIV to make informed choices and to ensure that the voice of HIV positive women is heard
www.positivelywomen.org.uk/

Presswise : the RAM Project

Refugees, asylum seekers and mass media - promoting best practice in media representation of refugee and asylum issues
<http://www.ramproject.org.uk/>

Refugee action

Refugee Action is an independent national charity that enables refugees to build new lives in the UK. We provide practical advice and assistance for newly arrived asylum seekers and long-term commitment to their settlement through community development work.

www.refugee-action.org/media.asp

Refugee Action Report - Is it safe here?

www.refugee-action.org/researchreport.pdf

Refugeenet

Refugeenet is the website of the EU Networks on Reception, Integration and Voluntary Repatriation of Refugees and is a source of information and ideas related to the Integration of Refugees in Europe.

<http://www.refugeenet.org/>

The Refugee Survival Trust

This web site provides access to basic information on the aims of the organisation and its current work. It includes links to recent government reports relating to refugees and asylum seekers

<http://www.rst.org.uk/>

Joseph Rowntree

The Joseph Rowntree Foundation is one of the largest social policy research and development charities in the UK. It spends about £7 million a year on a research and development programme that seeks to better understand the causes of social difficulties and explore ways of better overcoming them.

www.jrf.org.uk/knowledge/search.asp?searchstring=asylum+seekers&pg=2

The Refugee Council (UK)

<http://www.refugeecouncil.org.uk>

The Refugee Council is a registered charity giving help and support to refugees arriving and living in Britain. This site gives details of the council's work, their interpretation of press coverage of the refugee situation in Britain and accounts from refugees themselves about their experiences. Also offers training courses across the UK for people working with refugees and asylum seekers.

Refugee Health in London

<http://www.lho.org.uk/holp/reports/pdf/refugees.pdf>

This excellent report gives an overview of many of the health issues for asylum seekers and refugees.

Scottish Asylum Seekers Consortium

The Scottish Asylum Seekers Consortium was set up in December 1999 to manage and monitor the commissioning and provision of accommodation and other services for asylum seekers. It has the long-term objective of developing sustainable settlement arrangements for those who will remain in Scotland.

www.asylumscotland.org.uk/

Scottish Executive

The Scottish Executive Health Department (SEHD) is responsible for health policy and the administration of the National Health Service in Scotland

www.scotland.gov.uk/who/dept_health.asp

Scottish Refugee Council

The Scottish Refugee Council is a Scottish Charity providing advice, information and assistance to asylum seekers and refugees in Scotland.

<http://www.scottishrefugeecouncil.org.uk/>

Scottish Refugee Integration Forum Action Plan

Copy available on line:

www.scotland.gov.uk/library5/society/rfap-00.asp

Scottish Refugee Integration Forum: Action Plan – Progress Report Aug 2003

Six month progress report on implementation of SRIF Action Plan.

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/library5/social/srifpg-00.asp>

The Transcultural Nursing and Healthcare Association

The Foundation of Nursing Studies (FoNS) is an independent charity that works in partnership with nurses, midwives and health visitors to develop, promote and improve patient care.

www.fons.org/networks/tcnha/

UNHCR

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees was established on December 14, 1950 by the United Nations General Assembly. The agency is mandated to lead and co-ordinate international action to protect refugees and resolve refugee problems worldwide. Its primary purpose is to safeguard the rights and well-being of refugees. It strives to ensure that everyone can exercise the right to seek asylum and find safe refuge in another State, with the option to return home voluntarily, integrate locally or to resettle in a third country.

<http://www.unhcr.ch/cgi-bin/taxis/vtx/home>