

## Agreement for legal aid for members from another Nordic country

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In the Nordic countries, it is relatively common with medical mobility and temporary work commitments for doctors across the borders. Therefore, this agreement is established to regulate the content of the legal aid that Nordic members may need during the temporary work commitment in another Nordic country.

If a member in a Nordic Medical Association has a temporary work commitment in another Nordic country, the member has the right to obtain legal advice and support from the Nordic Medical Association in the receiving country without becoming a member of the medical association in the receiving country, provided that the member meets the terms stated below:

1. In order to be entitled to legal aid, the need for legal aid must have arisen in connection with a temporary work commitment that has a duration no longer than 3 months. The right to legal aid also applies when a member from another country seeks assistance in advance in a matter related to a contract of employment or position as a doctor.
2. In the case of several work commitments, which during a 24-month period exceed 3 months in total, the doctor must become a member in the medical association in the country where the work commitments take place to be entitled to legal aid.
3. Doctors who meet both the terms of this agreement and the terms stated in the statutes of the national medical association in the receiving country, are entitled to the same standard of legal aid and support as regular members of the national medical association.

All the Nordic Medical Associations shall facilitate the possibility for doctors from another Nordic country to apply for membership. This membership shall include the opportunity to take out a liability insurance.

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