

APPLICATION FOR A PATIENT'S MEDICAL ESCORT

NHS Shetland receives a large number of requests from patients for authorisation of a medical escort when they are attending hospital on the UK mainland. There are criteria which must be met before your doctor can authorise an escort for you. Details of these criteria can be found in the Escorts for Patients leaflet. Please ask your GP surgery for a copy if you have not already received one. **Please note it must be medically necessary for you to be accompanied on your journey.** Patients under the age of 16 automatically receive an escort; patients aged 16-18 can choose to be accompanied by a parent/guardian and need not complete a form. If you have severely restricted mobility or require a high level of assistance with personal care you will automatically be entitled to an escort if you are in receipt of higher level DLA or enhanced PIP. If you qualify under this criterion please provide Patient Travel with a copy of your award letter.

Please complete the information requested below as fully as possible.

Patient's name: <input type="text"/>
Date of birth: <input type="text"/>
Address: <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Contact phone no <input type="text"/>
Hospital attending: <input type="text"/>
Date of appointment: <input type="text"/>
Name of proposed escort: <input type="text"/>

Do you require help to ensure you fully understand and remember information relating to your health and to make an informed decision regarding your care?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have severely restricted vision?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have difficulty communicating without assistance?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have severely restricted mobility but are not in receipt of higher level Disability Living Allowance (DLA) or enhanced Personal Independence Payment (PIP)?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you require a high level of assistance with personal care but are not in receipt of higher level DLA or enhanced PIP?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

If you have not answered YES to any of the above questions please explain why it is **medically necessary** for you to be accompanied on your journey.

The personal data obtained in the form is only for use in determining an individual's eligibility for a Patient Escort, and shall not be further processed in any manner incompatible with that purpose, subject to the normal