

Key Worker eligibility

Applications received by Sovereign Key Worker teams will be prioritised firstly by Tier one and then, dependant on availability, by Tier two.

Tier one – nominated by partner NHS Trust

Any member of staff the NHS Trust nominate to Sovereign Housing. This is likely to include doctors, nurses, other clinical staff, management, estates etc.

Tier two – applications from other Key Workers

Health and Social care - social workers, care staff, support and specialist staff in the health and social care sector, health and social care supply chain e.g., producers and distributors of medicines and personal protective equipment.

Education – nursery and teaching staff, social workers and specialist education professionals.

Key public services – those needed to run the justice system, religious staff, charities and workers that are delivering frontline services. It also includes those responsible for the management of the deceased, and journalists and broadcasters who provide public service broadcasting.

Local and national government – administrative occupations that deliver essential public services e.g., payments of benefits.

Food and other necessary goods – those involved in food production, processing, distribution, sale and delivery as well as those essential to the provision of other key goods e.g., hygienic and veterinary medicines.

Public safety and national security – police and support staff, Ministry of Defence civilians, contractor and armed forces personnel, fire and rescue service employees (including support staff), National Crime Agency staff and those maintaining border security, prison and probation staff and other national security roles.

Transport – Those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating, including those working on transport systems through which supply chains pass.

Utilities, communication and financial services – those needed to keep the oil, gas, electricity, water, information technology and data infrastructure going. Key staff in the civil nuclear, chemicals, telecommunications, postal services and delivery, payments providers and waste disposal sectors.