

## **GAMBICA Critical Worker Status**

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This document provides industry input to schools and colleges for considering parents as critical workers when prioritising provision on maintaining education.

The UK Government has published a list of critical sectors and jobs here:

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

### **Sector guidance**

#### *Health and social care*

*This includes but is not limited to doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, care workers, and other frontline health and social care staff including volunteers; the support and specialist staff required to maintain the UK's health and social care sector; those working as part of the health and social care supply chain, including producers and distributors of medicines and medical and personal protective equipment.*

This includes GAMBICA members who supply the NHS directly and indirectly, with products and services that are critical to medical care and research. It also includes those who supply laboratories, research facilities and academic institutions that are working on healthcare and research projects related to Covid-19.

This covers businesses that supply products and equipment and also install, commission, maintain and service equipment that is critical to the function of healthcare.

#### *Food and other necessary goods*

*This includes those involved in food production, processing, distribution, sale and delivery as well as those essential to the provision of other key goods (for example hygienic and veterinary medicines).*

#### *Transport*

*This includes those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the COVID-19 response, including those working on transport systems through which supply chains pass.*

## *Utilities, communication and financial services*

*This includes staff needed for essential financial services provision (including but not limited to workers in banks, building societies and financial market infrastructure), the oil, gas, electricity and water sectors (including sewerage), information technology and data infrastructure sector and primary industry supplies to continue during the COVID-19 response, as well as key staff working in the civil nuclear, chemicals, telecommunications (including but not limited to network operations, field engineering, call centre staff, IT and data infrastructure, 999 and 111 critical services), postal services and delivery, payments providers and waste disposal sectors.*

This includes GAMBICA members who supply these sectors directly and indirectly with products and services that are critical to the supply chains for food, transport, utilities, communication and essential financial services.

This covers businesses that supply products and equipment and also install, commission, maintain and service equipment that is critical to the function of these sectors.

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GAMBICA is the UK Trade Association for Instrumentation, Control, Automation and Laboratory Technology.

Our insight and influence help our members to be more competitive by increasing their knowledge and impact. Together we remove barriers and maximise the market potential in our industry.

- We form a community of members and stakeholders
- We influence policy, standards and regulation
- We publish unique market reports and forecasts
- We promote our industry and the benefits of technology

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