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1. The London Irish Centre offers help and support getting started in London

For **anyone considering a move to London**, the London Irish Centre may be able to offer some information and support. The London Irish Centre was established in the 1950s to meet the welfare needs of the large numbers of Irish emigrants arriving in the UK. Today, the Centre is based in Camden in North London and still **offers help and support to recent arrivals from Ireland**.

In addition to a **drop in advice service**, the Centre offers **on-line information and advice** to Irish people who are considering moving to London on **housing, benefits, employability, and moving to London**. The online advice service can be contacted by email at emailadvice@londonirishcentre.org.

In conjunction with the Safe Start Foundation, the Centre also provides advice and **assistance to those who are looking for work** in London. Appointments must be made for this service which includes CV writing, interview coaching, application forms, telephone skills and job seeking.

Click [here](#) for the full **contact details** for the London Irish Centre, or see their website for more information on the services they offer: www.londonirishcentre.org.

2. 'Fáilte 32' – helping Irish visa holders to network and find work in New York

'Fáilte 32' is a New York-based initiative that was set up to provide **support to new Irish arrivals** in the United States, and to connect them to a network of affiliated Irish American organisations in order to become established and find employment in New York.

The idea is for Irish people who hold J1 visas, 12 month Intern Work & Travel visas (or other types of work visas) to **make use of the networks and contact organisations** affiliated to Fáilte 32 in order to connect with relevant persons and organisations, and to **attend their events and network to help to find employment in the U.S.**

For more information on the work of Fáilte 32 and how to make use of their support service, see the **website** www.failte32.org

A detailed list of **Local Irish Centres** providing information and assistance to new arrivals throughout the United States can be found on the website of the **Coalition of Irish Immigration Centres:** http://www.ciic-usa.org/whoware_findcenter.html

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3. Changes to the Canadian Temporary Foreign Worker Programme

Canada's Temporary Foreign Worker Programme allows Canadian employers to hire temporary foreign workers on a temporary basis to **fill skills and labour shortages** when Canadian citizens and permanent residents are not available.

Some important changes were made recently to the temporary foreign worker programme (work permit system). For employees, or potential temporary workers, the most significant changes are:

- There will be a **more thorough assessment of the genuineness of the job offer**; and
- There will be a **limit on the length of time a temporary foreign worker may work in Canada** before returning home.

Under the new rules, most temporary workers will be allowed to work in Canada for a **maximum duration of four years**, followed by a period of four years in which the worker would not be eligible to work in Canada.

There are **exceptions** to this rule however for certain categories of worker, including those in **Management Occupations and Professionals/ Occupations requiring a university education**. All other groups (i.e. workers in occupations requiring college or school education, apprenticeship or on-the-job training) would be subject to the duration limit of four years.

For more information on working temporarily in Canada, including the changes mentioned above, click [here](#) or see the following link:
<http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/work/index.asp>

For information on the range of visas available for Canada, visit the official government **website of Citizenship and Immigration Canada** at www.cic.gc.ca.

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