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# Travel Companies to Repay Taxpayer?

The Government has announced an important new measure; The National Health Service Costs Recovery Scheme (ICR) - (DOH - 26/1/07).

Anyone who has made a successful personal injury claim, will now see the offending party having to repay the costs of NHS treatment.

This extends the earlier practice, which involved repayment for NHS treatment, following a road traffic accident.

Holidaymakers who suffer illness or injury, and subsequently receive medical treatment from the NHS, resulting from a tour providers negligence, will have the cost of their treatment refunded to the NHS, following settlement of their claim.

HolidayTravelWatch welcomes the introduction of this long overdue measure.

We hope that this will encourage tour companies to become more responsible on issues of health and safety.

However, if Consumer Laws are not strengthened, such a measure is likely to have little impact on the annual cost of treatment.

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