

Emergency Acupuncture Treatments

TuiNa, Thai, Shiatsu or any other Massage not allowed yet.

With effect from: 1st June 2020

Holistic Insurers have confirmed that Acupuncturists can provide cover for *emergency acupuncture treatments* in clinic, where the client has had a medical diagnosis and has confirmed in writing that they are in extreme pain for which they do not wish to use western medication for pain relief.

Insurers need each policyholder who intends to carry out emergency treatments **to confirm in writing that they are aware of the guidelines relating to PPE** and sanitising the premises and can adhere to them. So before returning to work practitioners will need to complete a risk assessment to ensure that both the practitioner and their clients are safe.

In the event of a claim Insurers will request a copy of the risk assessment. The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) have provided guidance on safe methods of work, this is a link to their advice page <https://www.hse.gov.uk/news/coronavirus.htm>

In addition to this **each policyholder needs to check with their Licensing Authority** to ensure that they are not working outside of the scope of their license.