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## **REVISED ESSENTIAL SKILLS IN DEMAND LISTS – 2018**

This item updates VisaPak 339 *Changes to the Essential Skills in Demand Lists – 2018*. The revised Essential Skills in Demand (ESID) Lists will become effective from 19 February 2018.

### **Changes to the Long Term Skills Shortage List**

The following occupations will be removed:

- Anaesthetist
- Forest Scientist
- Pathologist
- Petroleum Engineer
- Renal Medicine Specialist

Reference to certification by the Institution of Professional Engineers New Zealand (IPENZ) under a number of ICT occupations has been replaced with certification from IT Professionals New Zealand. All other references to IPENZ has been replaced with Engineering New Zealand following a change of name.

### **Changes to the Immediate Skills Shortage List**

The following occupations will be removed:

- Dental Technician
- Dentist
- Medical Laboratory Technician
- Pharmacy Technician
- Poultry Farmer

The following occupations will be added:

- Accountant
- Carpenter
- Carpenter and Joiner
- Fibrous Plasterer
- Joiner
- Midwife
- Motor Mechanic (General)
- Panel beater
- Roof Plumber
- Roof Tiler
- Solid Plasterer
- Vehicle Painter

As with the LTSSL, all references to IPENZ have been replaced with Engineering New Zealand. There are also some changes to qualification requirements.