

Foreign workers can get medical cover from 32 insurers

KUALA LUMPUR: Thirty-two registered insurers have been picked to provide medical coverage for foreign workers starting Jan 1.

Deputy Human Resource Minister Datuk Maznah Mazlan said action would be taken against employers employing uninsured foreigners while the work permits of their workers would not be renewed.

She said the ministry would hold dialogues with stakeholders to explain the new ruling.

She was speaking to reporters after launching the Hitachi Charity Flea Bazaar here yesterday.

The Government recently announced the mandatory medical insurance coverage for foreign workers as the foreigners had left government hospitals with unpaid bills amounting to RM18mil.

It has fixed the annual insurance premium at RM120 per worker. — Bernama