

Press release by **Gail Adams, UNISON Head of Nursing** in Support of COMPAS' launch of the report '**Migrant Care Workers in Ageing Societies**'

"UNISON welcome the report published by Compas. It is ground breaking research. When coupled with the publication of the reports from Canada, Ireland & the USA it will give us the most comprehensive information on migration and age care.

"The findings confirm what UNISON has long known. Without the hard work and dedication of migrant workers, our public services – especially care provision and the NHS – would quite literally crumble. What's more, as our population ages we will come to depend even more on the work of overseas staff. UNISON estimate we will need a million more carers by 2025. This demand simply cannot be met by UK born workers alone, so it is high time that we paid migrant workers the respect and appreciation they so clearly deserve."