

## The Huddersfield Private Hospital

### ***Introduction***

Consultants are critical to each Circle Health Group hospital. In common with other private healthcare operators and in most instances, Circle Health Group does not employ these consultants. Instead, most consultants working in our hospitals are self-employed practitioners who see and treat patients at our hospitals under the terms of our “Practising Privileges” policy.

In 2014, the Competition and Markets Authority issued an Order (the “CMA Order”) regulating the relationships between private hospitals and consultants who have Practising Privileges or treat private patients or refer them for tests at private facilities (“Referring Clinicians”).

In accordance with the CMA Order, hospital operators are prohibited from offering any incentive scheme or arrangement, whether legally enforceable or not, or incentive, which is intended to induce or may be reasonably regarded as inducing Referring Clinicians to refer patients to, or treat private patients at, their facilities. Circle Health Group does not operate any such schemes. The Order also requires hospital operators to disclose information about certain arrangements they have with Referring Clinicians, including: ownership interests held by Referring Clinicians in the hospital operator or in equipment used in the hospital; the provision of certain “high value” services to Referring Clinicians; the availability of “low value” basic amenities for Referring Clinicians; and any remuneration for services provided by Referring Clinicians to the hospital. Set out below is information about the arrangements we have with Referring Clinicians at this hospital.

### ***Higher Value Services***

We charge our Referring Clinicians £6 for every 15 minutes for using consulting rooms at our hospital and £7.50 (plus VAT) for every 30 minutes for using our medical secretarial services, except in relation to NHS patients.

We charge our Referring Clinicians 3% of the invoiced value (in relation to privately insured patients and outpatient self-pay patients only) for billing services we provide on behalf of those Referring Clinicians.

### ***Lower Value Services***

We provide a number of support services to our Referring Clinicians, for which we do not make a charge. Further details regarding these arrangements are provided on our corporate webpage [here](#).

### ***General Corporate Hospitality***

At this hospital, we provide general corporate hospitality as detailed on our corporate webpage [here](#).

In addition to the arrangements detailed on our corporate webpage, throughout the year the hospital runs events held at various sporting venues and invites members of the Medical Advisory Group to attend. The cost is approximately £50 per head per event.

In September 2025 we ran a charity ball to which approximately 50 Referring Clinicians and their partners attended. The charity ball cost approximately £7,000.

### ***Financial Interests***

There are no Referring Clinicians with financial interests in equipment used or services and facilities operated within or at our hospital.

### ***Services Arrangements***

Mr Arin Saha, Consultant General Surgeon, provides support with reviewing Consultant data including numbers of procedures completed, success rates, comfort scores and patient satisfaction and provides advice based on the findings. Mr Arin Saha received no payment for these services.

### ***Clinical Chair***

Mr Graham Walsh, Consultant Orthopaedic Knee and Sports Injuries Surgeon, is the Clinical Chair of the hospital. Mr Graham Walsh's role includes chairing hospital Clinical Governance Committee meetings and attending the hospital's Senior Management Team meetings. Mr Graham Walsh is paid £13,000 per year for these services. In addition, the Clinical Chair will also attend national Clinical Chair meetings, generally in London, for which we reimburse their reasonable travel and attendance expenses.

### ***Questions***

Should you have any further questions in this area, please contact us by email at [corporate.compliance@circlehealthgroup.co.uk](mailto:corporate.compliance@circlehealthgroup.co.uk).

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