Manchester University Healthcare Branch

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Government announce a £1,400 pay increase for NHS staff

The Government has announced a £1,400 pay award for NHS staff. This outcome falls well short of inflation and with average energy bills alone rising £1,800 since your last pay award this pay increase is simply not enough. It is in fact another real-terms pay cut.

What does the pay award mean for me? Take a look at the chart below:

| | Band | 2021-22 | Pay | | Percentage | | Cash |
|------|-------|----------|--------|------------|------------|----------|--------|
| Band | point | Pay | award | 2022-3 Pay | increase | increase | |
| 2 | Тор | £19,918 | £1,400 | £21,318 | | 7.0% | £1,400 |
| 3 | Тор | £21,777 | £1,400 | £23,177 | | 6.4% | £1,400 |
| 4 | Тор | £24,882 | £1,400 | £26,282 | | 5.6% | £1,400 |
| 5 | Тор | £31,534 | £1,400 | £32,934 | | 4.4% | £1,400 |
| 6 | Тор | £39,027 | 4% | £40,588 | | 4.0% | £1,561 |
| 7 | Тор | £45,839 | 4% | £47,673 | | 4.0% | £1,834 |
| 8a | Тор | £53,219 | £1,400 | £54,619 | | 2.6% | £1,400 |
| 8b | Тор | £63,862 | £1,400 | £65,262 | | 2.2% | £1,400 |
| 8c | Тор | £75,874 | £1,400 | £77,274 | | 1.8% | £1,400 |
| 8d | Тор | £90,387 | £1,400 | £91,787 | | 1.5% | £1,400 |
| 9 | Тор | £108,075 | £1,400 | £109,475 | | 1.3% | £1,400 |

We now need to know how you want us to respond to the Government. On top of increases to National Insurance contributions (and from October your pension contributions), as well as cost of living rises, are you happy to accept this pay award or do you think it should be challenged and we should demand more? Unison will now run a consultation of all members in the NHS so you can decide what our next steps will be.

It will be up to you and hundreds of thousands of other UNISON members to choose whether you want to challenge the government to do better. Better for staff, better for patients, better for an NHS which is on its knees after years of under-staffing.

The Government had a chance to put NHS pay right so that the service could keep desperately needed staff and attract new ones. But it has chosen not to act so now WE must act!

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We are not always available to answer your call but a voice message service is available on both numbers so please leave a clear message with your name and return contact number and we will call you back.

WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW

Personal details

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