

BMI The Kings Oak and The Cavell Hospitals

Introduction

Consultants are critical to each BMI Healthcare hospital. However, in common with other private healthcare operators and in most instances, BMI Healthcare 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 hospital groups and consultants who have Practising Privileges or treat private patients or refer them for tests at group facilities (“**Referring Clinicians**”).

In accordance with the CMA Order, hospital operators are prohibited from entering private into any incentive schemes that are designed to encourage Referring Clinicians to refer patients to, or treat private patients at, their facilities. BMI Healthcare 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 common arrangements we have with Referring Clinicians. Further details are also available on our individual hospital webpages.

Higher Value Services

We charge our Referring Clinicians £20 per hour for using consulting rooms at our hospitals and £20 (plus VAT) per hour for using our medical secretarial services, except in relation to NHS patients.

We charge our Referring Clinicians £185 per month (inclusive of phone and postage charges) for space at our hospitals for their own medical secretaries.

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 webpages at [click here](#).

General Corporate Hospitality

In addition to the arrangements detailed on our corporate webpages, we invite members of our hospitals Medical Advisory Committee to an annual dinner. The hospitals Executive Director and Director of Clinical Services are also invited to attend the dinner. The dinner approximately costs £500.

The hospitals also hold an annual general meeting to which all Referring Clinicians that practise at the hospitals are invited. The Executive Directors, Director of Clinical Services and Heads of Department of the hospitals are also invited to attend. A buffet is provided for this event, which approximately costs £800.

Financial Interests

Miss Beena Subba and Mr David Ogutu, both Consultant Gynaecologists, each own and operate a Voluson gynaecology ultrasound scanner at Kings Oak, using (and paying for) hospital facilities when doing so.

Mr Faiz Mumtaz, Consultant Urological Surgeon, owns and operates a BK ultrasound scanner at the hospitals, using (and paying for) hospital facilities when doing so.

Mr Henry Atkinson, Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, owns and operates Storz medical MP100 shockwave machine at the hospitals, using (and paying for) hospital facilities when doing so.

Mr Michael Kurer, Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, owns and operates Storz medical MP100 shockwave machine at the hospitals, using (and paying for) hospital facilities when doing so.

Mr Ellis Downes, Consultant Obstetrician, owns and operates Shimadzu DU 350 portable ultrasound scanner at the hospitals, using (and paying for) hospital facilities when doing so.

Mr Sherif Habashi, Consultant Otolaryngologist, owns and operates DP Medical fibre-optic nasoendoscope TF6e at the hospitals, using (and paying for) hospital facilities when doing so.

Dr Bryan Youl, Clinical Neurophysiologist, owns and operates EMG (Electromyography) equipment at the hospitals, using (and paying for) hospital facilities when doing so.

Dr Mushriq Al-Khayatt, Clinical Neurophysiologist, owns and operates EMG (Electromyography) equipment at the hospitals, using (and paying for) hospitals facilities when doing so.

Services Arrangements

Dr Husam El Mugamar, Referring Clinician Microbiologist, provides microbiology and infection prevention and control advice to the hospitals (including attending quarterly infection prevention and control meetings). Dr Husam El Mugamar is paid £12,000 per year for this service.

Clinical Chair

Mr Henry Atkinson is employed as the Clinical Chair of the hospital. Mr Henry Atkinson's role includes chairing hospital Clinical Governance Committee meetings and attending the hospital's Senior Management Team meetings. Mr Henry Atkinson is reimbursed £12 000 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 company.secretary@circlehealthgroup.co.uk.

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