

BMI The Priory Hospital

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 into any incentive schemes that are designed to encourage Referring Clinicians to refer private 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 £25 per hour for using consulting rooms at our hospital and £7.90 per half hour (plus VAT) for using our medical secretarial services, except in relation to NHS patients.

We charge Referring Clinicians for hospital space used by their own private medical secretaries. The fee is £125/month (per person) for use of 20 hours’ office space per week and £250/month (per person) for use of more than 20 hours’ office space per week. Telephone charges are included within this fee and postage is charged separately.

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

At this hospital, we provide general corporate hospitality as detailed on our corporate webpages.

Financial Interests

Dr Howard Marshall and Dr Michael Griffith (Cardiologists) and Dr Joseph de Bono and Dr Mauro Lencioni (Cardiologists and Electrophysiologists) jointly own an echocardiographic machine. The hospital pays £68 for its use at the hospital.

Dr Peter Good owns various ophthalmology equipment (electro diagnostic machine, Heidelberg OCT with printer, HRT and IOL master). The hospital pays a charge for use of this equipment at the hospital. Ultrasound (£150), Biometry scan (£50), Visual Field (Insured (£150) and Un-insured (£175)).

Mr Kesavapillai Subramonian, Urologist owns a urology laser through Birmingham Urology Ltd. The hospital pays £300 per case charge for use of this laser at the hospital.

Mr Haney Youssef, General Surgeon, owns a hyperthermic chemotherapy system through Dr H Youssef Surgical Services Ltd (50% stakeholder). The hospital pays a charge of £4,000 per case for the use of this system at the hospital.

Services Arrangements

There are no service arrangements between Referring Clinicians and our hospital.

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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