

## **BMI The Kings Oak and The Cavell Hospitals**

### ***Introduction***

Consultants are critical to each BMI Healthcare hospital. However in common with most private healthcare operators, BMI Healthcare does not employ these consultants. Instead, consultants working in our hospitals are essentially self-employed practitioners who see and treat patients at our hospitals under the terms of our 'credentialing' or 'practising privileges' policy.

It is important that we are transparent about our relationship with our consultants and therefore via our main website and below, we have set out some of the ways in which we work together.

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

Consultants are charged £20 per hour for using consulting rooms at these hospitals and £20 (plus VAT) per hour for using our medical secretarial services, except in relation to NHS patients.

We charge a fair market rate for consultants using space at these hospitals for their own medical secretaries.

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

We provide a number of support services to our consultants, for which we do not make a charge. Further details are provided via our main website.

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

At these hospitals, in addition to the arrangements detailed via our main website, we invite members of our hospitals' Medical Advisory Committee to an annual dinner, which is also attended by the hospitals' Executive Director and Director of Clinical Services. The dinner generally costs around £500.

The hospitals also hold an annual consultant general meeting to which all consultants practising at the hospitals are invited, along with the hospitals' Executive Director, Director of Clinical Services and Heads of Department. The cost of the buffet for this event is around £800.

### ***Financial Interests***

Miss Beena Subba and Mr David Ogutu, both Consultant Gynaecologists, each own and operate a Voluson gynaecology ultrasound scanner at the hospitals, 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.

### ***Services Arrangements***

There are no consultants holding part-time positions at our hospitals.

### ***Questions***

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

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