

UNISON HEALTHCARE - BRANCH UPDATE

From: Karen Jennings, UNISON National Secretary - Health

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NHS pay scales from 1 April 2011

Who needs to know?

All Health Branches

Summary:

NHS pay scales have been revised for the year beginning 1 April 2011 and NHS Employers have issued a letter to English Trusts putting these into effect. Similar letters are being issued by Health Departments in Cymru/Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland. The timing of the pay circular is to allow payroll providers to increase the appropriate rates for the April pay runs. See below for further details and the attachment for the new pay scales.

In full:

NHS pay scales have been revised for the year beginning 1 April 2011. The scales now reflect the increases to pay points 1-15 resulting from the £250 pa increase recommended by the NHS Pay Review Body and adopted by the government. They also show the increase to point 23, as the top pay point on Band 5, which was the remaining element of the 2008-2011 multi-year agreement.

All other pay points remain the same due to the government pay freeze on all public sector rates at £21,000 pa and above.

UNISON has strongly opposed the unilateral pay freeze on public sector workers and we reiterated our position in the attached press release.

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