# II. COMMUNITY-BASED HEALTH CARE STAFF

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### 8.1 Community physiotherapist

Using Reference costs (www.doh.gov.uk/nhsexec/refcosts.htm), the mean average cost for an episode of physiotherapy services for 2004 was £87 with the minimum range for 25 per cent of services being £57 and the maximum £128.

Costs and unit estimation	2004/2005 value	Notes
A. Wages/salary	£28,240 per year	National average salary for a senior 1 grade physiotherapist, based on the midpoint of the April 2004 pay scale. It includes an element to reflect the proportion of staff who receive a London allowance and an allowance of $\pounds$ 1,717 for supervising students.
B. Salary oncosts	£6,106 per year	Employers' national insurance plus 14 per cent of salary for employers' contribution to superannuation.
C. Qualifications	£4,151 per year	The equivalent annual cost of pre-registration education after the total investment cost has been annuitised over the expected working life. See schema 7.5 for more details.
D. Overheads	£4,274 per year	Comprises £2,698 for indirect overheads and 5 per cent of salary costs for direct revenue overheads. <sup>2</sup>
E. Capital overheads	£2,459 per year	Based on the new build and land requirements of NHS facilities, <sup>3/4</sup> but adjusted to reflect shared used of both treatment and non-treatment space. Capital costs have been annuitised over 60 years at a discount rate of 3.5 per cent.
F. Travel	£2.40 per visit	Based on expenditure provided by a community trust.
Working time	42 weeks per annum 36 hours per week	Includes 25 days annual leave and 10 days statutory leave. Assumes 5 study/training days, and 10 days sickness leave. 4
Ratio of direct to indirect time on: face-to-face contacts clinic contacts home visits	1:0.67 1:0.33 1:0.73	Assuming 50 per cent in patient's own home; 10 per cent in clinics; 20 per cent on non-contact time; and 20 per cent on travel. Information derived from consultation with NHS Trusts.
Length of contacts	30 minutes 60 minutes	Per clinic contact. Per home visit. Based on discussions with Trusts.
Average for episode	5.2 hours	Williams <sup>5</sup> estimates of an example episode for an older person on short rehabilitation.
London multiplier	1.14 x (A to D) 1.49 x E	Allows for the higher costs associated with London compared to the national average cost. <sup>7</sup> Building Cost Information Service and Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.
Non-London multiplier	0.97 x (A to D) 0.97 x E	Allows for the lower costs associated with working outside London compared to the national average cost. Building Cost Information Service and Office of the Deputy Prime Minister. 3/4

### Unit costs available 2004/2005 (costs including qualifications given in brackets)

£27 (£30) per hour; £45 (£50) per hour of client contact; £36 (£40) per hour in clinic; £47 (£52) per hour of home visiting; £50 (£54) per home visit; £18 (£20) per clinic visit (includes A to E). Example episode £236 (£260).

<sup>1</sup> Netten, A., Knight, J., Dennett, J., Cooley, R. & Slight, A. (1998) Development of a Ready Reckoner for Staff Costs in the NHS, Vols 1 & 2, Personal Social Services Research Unit, University of Kent, Canterbury.

<sup>2</sup> Netten, A., Knight, J., Dennett, J., Cooley, R. & Slight, A. (1998) Development of a Ready Reckoner for Staff Costs in the NHS, Vol 2, Methodology, P 13. Personal Social Services Research Unit, University of Kent, Canterbury.

<sup>3</sup> Building Cost Information Service (2005) Surveys of Tender Prices, March, BCIS, Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, London.

<sup>4</sup> Office of the Deputy Prime Minister, Summer 2004.

<sup>5</sup> Whitley Councils for the Health Services (Great Britain) (1995) Pay and Conditions of Service Handbook, Professions Allied to Medicine and Related Grades of Staff (PTA) Council, Department of Health, Leeds.

<sup>6</sup> Williams, J. (1991) Calculating Staffing Levels in Physiotherapy Services, Pampas, Rotherham.

<sup>7</sup> Provisional and unpublished analysis using data from the Department of Health's weighted capitation formula

# 8.2 NHS community occupational therapist

Using Reference costs (www.doh.gov.uk/nhsexec/refcosts.htm), the mean average cost for Occupational Therapy services for 2004 was £75 with the minimum range for 25 per cent of the services being £60 and the maximum £156.

Costs and unit estimation	2004/2005 value	Notes
A. Wages/salary	£28,240 per year	National average salary for a senior 1 grade occupational therapist, based on the mid-point of the April 2004 pay scale. The sum includes an element to reflect the proportion of staff who receive a London allowance and an allowance of £1,717 for supervising students.
B. Salary oncosts	£6,106 per year	Employers' national insurance plus 14 per cent of salary for employers' contribution to superannuation.
C. Qualifications	£4,002 per year	The equivalent annual cost of pre-registration education after the total investment cost has been annuitised over the expected working life. See schema 7.5 for more details.
D. Overheads	£4,274 per year	Comprises £2,698 for indirect overheads and 5 per cent of salary costs for direct revenue overheads. $^{1}$
E. Capital overheads	£2,459 per year	Based on the new build and land requirements of NHS facilities, <sup>2/3</sup> but adjusted to reflect shared used of both treatment and non-treatment space. Capital costs have been annuitised over 60 years at a discount rate of 3.5 per cent.
F. Travel	£2.40 per visit	Based on expenditure provided by a community trust.
Working time	42 weeks per annum 36 hours per week	Includes 25 days annual leave and 10 days statutory leave. Assumes 5 study/training days, and 10 days sickness leave. <sup>4</sup>
Ratio of direct to indirect time on: face-to-face contacts clinic contacts home visits	1:0.67 1:0.33 1:0.73	Assuming 50 per cent in patient's own home; 10 per cent in clinics; 20 per cent on non-clinical activity time; and 20 per cent on travel. Information derived from consultation with NHS Trusts.
Length of contacts	30 minutes 60 minutes 5.2 hours	Per clinic contact. Per home visit. Per care episode. Based on discussions with Trusts.
London multiplier	1.14 x (A to D) 1.49 x E	Allows for the higher costs associated with London compared to the national average cost. <sup>5</sup> Building Cost Information Service and Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.
Non-London multiplier	0.97 x (A to D) 0.97 x E	Allows for the lower costs associated with working outside London compared to the national average cost. <sup>5</sup> Building Cost Information Service and Office of the Deputy Prime Minister. <sup>3/4</sup>

#### Unit costs available 2004/2005 (costs including qualifications given in brackets)

£27 (£30) per hour; £46 (£50) per hour of client contact; £36 (£40) per hour in clinic; £47 (£52) per hour of home visiting; £50 (£54) per home visit; £18 (£20) per clinic visit (includes A to E). £237 (£259) per care episode.

4 Data provided by the Department of Health, Health Authority Personnel Division.

Updated with revised figures for employers' superannuation contributions [February 2006, rev. 002]

<sup>1</sup> Netten, A., Knight, J., Dennett, J., Cooley, R. & Slight, A. (1998) Development of a Ready Reckoner for Staff Costs in the NHS, Vol 2, Methodology, P 13. Personal Social Services Research Unit, University of Kent, Canterbury.

<sup>2</sup> Building Cost Information Service (2005) Surveys of Tender Prices, March, BCIS, Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, London.

<sup>3</sup> Office of the Deputy Prime Minister, Summer 2004.

<sup>5</sup> Provisional and unpublished analysis using data from the Department of Health's weighted capitation formula.

### 8.3 Community speech and language therapist

Costs and unit estimation	2004/2005 value	Notes	
A. Wages/salary	£25,337 per year	National average salary for a grade 2 speech and language therapist, based on the April 2004 pay scales. The sum includes an element to reflect the proportion of staff who receive a London allowance.	
B. Salary oncosts	£5,429 per year	Employers' national insurance plus 14 per cent of salary for employers' contribution to superannuation.	
C. Qualifications	£4,260 per year	The equivalent annual cost of pre-registration education after the total investment cost has been annuitised over the expected working life. See schema 7.5 for more details.	
D. Overheads	£4,110 per year	Comprises £2,698 for indirect overheads and 5 per cent of salary costs for direct revenue overheads. <sup>2</sup>	
E. Capital overheads	£2,459 per year	Based on the new build and land requirements of NHS facilities, <sup>3/4</sup> but adjusted to reflect shared used of both treatment and non-treatment space. Capital costs have been annuitised over 60 years at a discount rate of 3.5 per cent.	
F. Travel	£2.40 per visit	Based on expenditure provided by a community trust.	
Working time	42 weeks per annum 36 hours per week	Includes 25 days annual leave and 10 statutory leave days. Assumes 5 study/training days, and 10 days sickness leave. <sup>5</sup>	
Ratio of direct to indirect time on: patient contacts clinic contacts home visits	1:0.67 1:0.33 1:0.73	Assuming 50 per cent of time in patient's own home, 10 per cent in clinics, 20 per cent on non-clinical activity and 20 per cent on travel. Information derived from consultation with NHS Trusts.	
Length of contacts	30 minutes 60 minutes	Per clinic contact. Per home visit. Based on discussions with Trusts.	
London multiplier	1.14 x (A to D) 1.49 x E	Allows for the higher costs associated with London compared to the national average cost. <sup>6</sup> Building Cost Information Service and Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.	
Non-London multiplier	0.97 x (A to D) 0.97 x E	Allows for the lower costs associated with working outside London compared to the national average cost. <sup>6</sup> Building Cost Information Service and Office of the Deputy Prime Minister. <sup>3/4</sup>	

### Unit costs available 2004/2005 (costs including qualifications given in brackets)

£25 (£28) per hour; £41 (£46) per hour of client contact; £33 (£37) per hour in clinic; £43 (£48) per hour of home visiting; £45 (£50) per home visit; £17 (£18) per clinic visit (includes A to E).

<sup>1</sup> Netten, A., Knight, J., Dennett, J., Cooley, R. & Slight, A. (1998) Development of a Ready Reckoner for Staff Costs in the NHS, Vols 1 & 2, Personal Social Services Research Unit, University of Kent, Canterbury.

<sup>2</sup> Netten, A., Knight, J., Dennett, J., Cooley, R. & Slight, A. (1998) Development of a Ready Reckoner for Staff Costs in the NHS, Vol 2, Methodology, P 13. Personal Social Services Research Unit, University of Kent, Canterbury.

<sup>3</sup> Building Cost Information Service (2005) Surveys of Tender Prices, March, BCIS, Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, London.

<sup>4</sup> Office of the Deputy Prime Minister, Summer 2004.

<sup>5</sup> Department of Health Advance Letter (SP) 5/91, Appendix F.

<sup>6</sup> Provisional and unpublished analysis using data from the Department of Health's weighted capitation formula.

# 8.4 Community chiropodist

Using Reference costs (www.doh.gov.uk/nhsexec/refcosts.htm), the mean average cost for chiropody services for 2004 was £22 with the minimum range for 25 per cent of services being £17 and the maximum £37.

Costs and unit estimation	2004/2005 value	Notes
A. Wages/salary	£22,701 per year	National average salary for a grade 2 chiropodist, based on the April 2004 pay scales. The sum includes an element to reflect the proportion of staff who receive a London allowance.
B. Salary oncosts	£4,815 per year	Employers' national insurance plus 14 per cent of salary for employers' contribution to superannuation.
C. Qualifications		Qualification costs are not available.
D. Overheads	£4,074 per year	Comprises £2,698 for indirect overheads and 5 per cent of salary costs for direct revenue overheads. <sup>1</sup>
E. Capital overheads	£2,459 per year	Based on the new build and land requirements of NHS facilities, <sup>2/3</sup> but adjusted to reflect shared used of both treatment and non-treatment space. Capital costs have been annuitised over 60 years at a discount rate of 3.5 per cent.
F. Travel	£1.25 per visit	Taken from Netten <sup>4</sup> and inflated using the retail price index.
Working time	42 weeks per annum 36 hours per week	Includes 25 days annual leave and 10 statutory leave days. Assumes 5 study/training days, and 10 days sickness leave. <sup>5</sup>
Ratio of direct to indirect time on: client contact		No information available. Costs are based on the number of visits per week.
Average number of visits per week	40 75	Domiciliary visits. Clinic visits. Information provided by an NHS Trust.
London multiplier	1.14 x (A to D) 1.49 x E	Allows for the higher costs associated with London compared to the national average cost. <sup>6</sup> Building Cost Information Service and Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.
Non-London multiplier	0.97 x (A to D) 0.97 x E	Allows for the lower costs associated with working outside London compared to the national average cost. Building Cost Information Service and Office of the Deputy Prime Minister. 2/3
Unit costs available 2004/2	005	
£23 per hour; £20 per home v	sit; £11 per clinic vis	it (includes A to E).

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<sup>1</sup> Netten, A., Knight, J., Dennett, J., Cooley, R. & Slight, A. (1998) A Ready Reckoner for Staff Costs in the NHS, Volume 2, Methodology, page 13.

<sup>2</sup> Building Cost Information Service (2005) Surveys of Tender Prices, March, BCIS, Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, London.

<sup>3</sup> Office of the Deputy Prime Minister, Summer 2004.

<sup>4</sup> Netten, A. (1992) Some cost implications of caring for people: interim report, Discussion Paper 809/4, Personal Social Services Research Unit, University of Kent.

<sup>5</sup> Data provided by the Department of Health, Health Authority Personnel Division.

<sup>6</sup> Provisional and unpublished analysis using data from the Department of Health's weighted capitation formula.

## 8.5 Clinical psychologist

Costs and unit estimation	2004/2005 value	Notes
A. Wages/salary	£35,368 per year	National average salary for a clinical psychologist, based on the mid-point of the April 2004 pay scale.
B. Salary oncosts	£7,858 per year	Employers' national insurance plus 14 per cent of salary for employers' contribution to superannuation.
C. Qualifications		Qualification costs are not available.
D. Overheads	£4,860 per year	Comprises £2,698 for indirect overheads and 5 per cent of salary costs for direct revenue overheads. <sup>1</sup>
E. Capital overheads	£2,124 per year	Based on the new build and land requirements of NHS facilities, <sup>2/3</sup> but adjusted to reflect shared used of both treatment and non-treatment space. Capital costs have been annuitised over 60 years at a discount rate of 3.5 per cent.
F. Travel	£1.25 per visit	Taken from Netten <sup>4</sup> and inflated using the Retail Price Index.
Working time	41 weeks per annum 36 hours per week	Includes 30 days annual leave and 10 days statutory leave. Assumes 5 study/training days, and 10 days sickness leave. <sup>5</sup>
Ratios of: professional outputs to support activities	1:0.3	Five types of 'chargeable service' have been distinguished <sup>6</sup> : clinical work with patients; clinical consultancy and project work; service organisation and development; teaching and supervision; and research and service evaluation. Mental health psychologists spend 40 per cent of their time on client contact. The relationship between the five types of chargeable service and other 'supporting activities' is similar for both types of psychologist. The multiplier used in the schema to reflect this variety of outputs is based on mental health psychologists.
London multiplier	1.14 x (A to D) 1.49 x E	Allows for the higher costs associated with London compared to the national average cost. Building Cost Information Service and Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.
Non-London multiplier	0.97 x (A to D) 0.97 x E	Allows for the lower costs associated with working outside London compared to the national average cost. Building Cost Information Service and Office of the Deputy Prime Minister. 2/3
Unit costs available 2004	1/2005	
£34 per hour; £77 per hour	of client contact; £44	per professional chargeable hour (includes A to E). Travel £1.25 per visit.

<sup>1</sup> Netten, A., Knight, J., Dennett, J., Cooley, R. & Slight, A. (1998) A Ready Reckoner for Staff Costs in the NHS, Volume 2, Methodology, page 13.

<sup>2</sup> Building Cost Information Service (2005) Surveys of Tender Prices, March, BCIS, Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, London.

<sup>3</sup> Office of the Deputy Prime Minister, Summer 2004.

<sup>4</sup> Netten, A. (1992) Some cost implications of caring for people: interim report, Discussion Paper 809/4, Personal Social Services Research Unit, University of Kent.

<sup>6</sup> Cape, J., Pilling, S. & Barker, C. (1993) Measurement and costing of psychology services, *Clinical Psychology Forum*, October.

<sup>7</sup> Provisional and unpublished analysis using data from the Department of Health's weighted capitation formula.

# 8.6 Community pharmacist

Costs and unit estimation	2004/2005 value	Notes
A. Wages/salary	£36,772 per year	Based on information in <i>Tomorrow's Pharmacist 2001</i> (Careers - Where do you start?) <sup>1</sup> , mid-point of range (excluding senior management positions), uprated using the HCHS Pay inflator. Salaries in community pharmacy start at around £24,515 and can go up to £49,030 or £61,287 in senior management positions (uprated using the PSS pay inflator).
B. Salary oncosts	£8,234 per year	Employers' national insurance plus 14 per cent of salary for employers' contribution to superannuation.
C. Qualifications Pre-registration training:  Post graduate training:	£5,927 per year	The equivalent annual cost of pre-registration education. The investment costs of a four year masters degree plus one year pre-registration training. The total investment cost has been annuitised over the expected working life. 2/3 The investment costs of education should always be included when evaluating the cost-effectiveness of different approaches to using health service staff as it is important to include all the costs implicit in changing the professional mix. The investment costs for pre-registration are borne partly by the HEFCE and by practitioners provided by the NHS. Community employers cover the cost for the pre-registration training year with some help from the Department of Health.  A postgraduate diploma is available for community pharmacists but this would be taken in their own time and there is no available data on the proportion of pharmacists who undergo this. See schema 12.6 on Hospital Pharmacists for this cost.
D. Overheads	£4,949 per year	Comprises £2,698 for indirect overheads and 5 per cent of salary costs for direct revenue overheads. <sup>4</sup>
E. Capital overheads	£3,308 per year	Based on the new build and land requirements of a pharmacy, <sup>5/6</sup> plus additional space for shared facilities. Capital costs have been annuitised over 60 years at a discount rate of 3.5 per cent.
F. Travel	£1.25 per visit	Taken from Netten <sup>7</sup> and inflated using the retail price index.
Working time	42 weeks per annum 40 hours per week	Includes 25 days annual leave and 10 statutory leave days. Assumes 5 study/training days, and 10 days sickness leave.
Ratio of direct to indirect time on: direct clinical activities patient related activities	1:1.50 1:0.25	Ratios are estimated on the basis that 40 per cent of time is spent on direct clinical activities (includes advice to patients and travel), 40 per cent of time on dispensary service activities and 20 per cent of time on non clinical activities.
London multiplier	1.14 x (A to D) 1.50 x E	Allows for the higher costs associated with London compared to the national average cost. <sup>8</sup> Building Cost Information Service and Office of the Deputy Prime Minister. <sup>5/6</sup>
Non-London multiplier	0.97 x (A to D) 0.97 x E	Allows for the lower costs associated with working outside London compared to the national average cost. <sup>8</sup> Building Cost Information Service and Office of the Deputy Prime Minister. <sup>5/6</sup>

#### Unit costs available 2004/2005 (costs including qualifications given in brackets)

£32 (£35) per hour (includes travel), £79 (£88) per hour of direct clinical activities (includes travel to visits), £40 (£44) per patient related activities.

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<sup>1</sup> Livingston, S. (2001) Careers — where do you start? *Tomorrow's Pharmacist 2001*, http://www.pjonline.com/students/tp2001/careers.html

<sup>2</sup> Netten, A., Knight, J., Dennett, J., Cooley, R. & Slight, A. (1998) Development of a Ready Reckoner for Staff Costs in the NHS, Vols 1 & 2, Personal Social Services Research Unit, University of Kent, Canterbury.

<sup>3</sup> Research carried out by the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain.

<sup>4</sup> Netten, A., Knight, J., Dennett, J., Cooley, R. & Slight, A. (1998) A Ready Reckoner for Staff Costs in the NHS, Volume 2, Methodology,

<sup>5</sup> Building Cost Information Service (2005) Surveys of Tender Prices, March, BCIS, Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, London.

<sup>6</sup> Office of the Deputy Prime Minister, Summer 2004.

<sup>7</sup> Netten, A. (1992) Some cost implications of caring for people: interim report, Discussion Paper 809/4, Personal Social Services Research Unit, University of Kent.

<sup>8</sup> Provisional and unpublished analysis using data from the Department of Health's weighted capitation formula.