

IV. HOSPITAL-BASED HEALTH CARE STAFF

12. Hospital-based scientific and professional staff

The table overleaf provides the unit costs for hospital-based scientific and professional staff, and replaces the individual schema previously found in this section. Each Agenda for Change (AfC) band can be matched to professionals using the AfC generic profiles: <http://www.nhsemployers.org/your-workforce/pay-and-reward/pay/job-evaluation/national-job-profiles>. Examples of roles by band are shown below and in more detail by job type in Schema 17. Reference should also be made to the explanatory notes when interpreting the unit costs.

Job titles by band	
Band 2	Clinical support worker (Physiotherapy, Occupational therapy, Speech and language therapy).
Band 3	Clinical support worker (higher level) (Physiotherapy, Occupational therapy, Speech and language therapy).
Band 4	Occupational therapy technician, Speech and language therapy assistant/associate practitioner, Podiatry technician, Clinical psychology assistant practitioner, Pharmacy technician.
Band 5	Physiotherapist, Occupational therapist, Speech and language therapist, Podiatrist, Clinical psychology assistant practitioner (higher level), Counsellor (entry level).
Band 6	Physiotherapist specialist, Occupational therapist specialist, Speech and language therapist specialist, Podiatrist specialist, Clinical psychology trainee, Counsellor, Pharmacist, Arts therapist (entry level).
Band 7	Physiotherapist (advanced), Specialist physiotherapist (respiratory problems), Specialist physiotherapist (community), Physiotherapy team manager, Speech and language therapist (advanced), Podiatrist (advanced), Podiatry team manager, Clinical psychologist, Counsellor (specialist), Arts therapist.
Band 8a	Physiotherapist principal, Occupational therapist principal, Speech and language therapist principal, Podiatrist principal.
Band 8a-b	Physiotherapist consultant, Occupational therapist consultant, Clinical psychologist principal, Speech and language therapist principal, Podiatric consultant (surgery), Arts therapist principal.
Band 8a-c	Counsellor professional manager, Counsellor consultant, Consultant speech and language therapist.
Band 8c-d	Clinical psychologist consultant, Podiatric consultant (surgery), Head of arts therapies, Arts therapies consultant.
Band 8d-9	Clinical psychologist consultant (professional), Lead/head of psychology services, Podiatric consultant (surgery), Head of service.

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A Wages/salary

Based on the mean full-time equivalent basic salary for Agenda for Change (AfC) bands 4-9 of the May 2019/April 2020 NHS staff earnings estimates for allied health professionals.¹ See *NHS Terms And Conditions Of Service Handbook* for information on payment for unsocial hours.² The Electronic Staff Records (ESR) system shows that the mean basic salary for all physiotherapists is £37,023; occupational therapists, £35,523; speech and language therapists, £37,056; dietitians, £37,183; and radiographers (diagnostic and therapeutic), £36,583.

B Salary oncosts

Employer's national insurance is included, plus 20.68 per cent of salary for employer's contribution to superannuation (see Preface for further details)

C Qualification costs

See Section V for detailed information on qualifications for each category of scientific and professional staff. These costs have been calculated using the method described in Netten et al. (1998).³ Current cost information has been gathered from various sources (see Schema 18). To calculate the cost per hour including qualifications for each profession, the appropriate expected annual cost shown in Chapter 18 should be divided by the number of working hours. This can then be added to the cost per working hour.

Note that Dr Lynne Bollington has provided the cost of the clinical placement for pharmacists.⁴ These costs exclude external training courses that supplement work-based learning and may cover specific components of the General Pharmaceutical Council's performance standards and/or examination syllabus. See Schema 18 for more details on training.

D Overheads

Taken from *NHS foundation trusts accounts: consolidated (FTC) files 2018/2019*.⁵ Management and other non-care staff costs were 20.71 per cent of direct care salary costs and included administration and estates staff. Non-staff costs were 46.89 per cent of direct care salary costs. They include costs to the provider for drugs, office, travel/transport, publishing, training courses and conferences, supplies and services (clinical and general), and utilities such as water, gas and electricity.

E Capital overheads

Based on the new-build and land requirements of NHS hospital facilities, but adjusted to reflect shared use of office space for administration, and recreational and changing facilities.^{6,7}

F Working time

Working hours for each AfC band have been calculated by deducting sickness absence days as reported for NHS staff groups⁸ and training/study days from 225 working days per annum.

H Ratio of direct to patient-related time

See previous editions for time spent on patient-related activities. See also Section V for information on a PSSRU survey carried out in 2014/2015 providing estimates of time use for hospital-based staff.

I London and non-London multipliers

See information produced by NHS Employers⁹ and NHS Improvement¹⁰ for information on Inner and Outer London supplements and the market forces factor (MFF) which estimates the unavoidable cost differences between healthcare providers, based on their geographical location.

¹ NHS Digital (2021) *NHS staff earnings estimates, 12-month period from May 2020 – April 2021* (not publicly available), NHS Digital, Leeds.

² NHS Employers (2018) *NHS Terms and Conditions of Service Handbook*, NHS Employers, London. <http://www.nhsemployers.org/tchandbook> [accessed 25 September 2018].

³ 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.

⁴ Bollington, L. & John, D. (2012) *Pharmacy education and training in the hospital service in Wales: Identifying demand and developing capacity*. STS Publishing, Cardiff.

⁵ NHS Improvement (2019) *NHS Foundation Trusts: Consolidation (FTC) files 2018/19*, [Consolidated foundation trust accounts 2018 19.pdf \(england.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk/consult/condolidated-foundation-trust-accounts-2018-19.pdf) [accessed 9 October 2021]

⁶ Building Cost Information Service (2017) *Surveys of tender prices*, Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors, London.

⁷ Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government (2018) *Land value estimates for policy appraisal 2017*, <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/land-value-estimates-for-policy-appraisal-2017> [accessed 25 September 2018]

⁸ NHS Digital, NHS sickness absence rates, January 2019 to March 2019 and Annual Summary 2010-11 to 2018-19, NHS Digital, London. <https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/publications/statistical/nhs-sickness-absence-rates/january-2019-to-march-2019-and-annual-summary-2010-11-to-2018-19> [accessed 1 October 2019]

⁹ NHS Employers (2019) Annex 9: High cost area supplements, <https://www.nhsemployers.org/tchandbook/annex-4-to-10/annex-9-high-cost-area-supplements> [accessed 1 October 2019].

¹⁰ NHS Improvement (2019) 2019/2020 payment reform proposals, <https://improvement.nhs.uk/resources/201920-payment-reform-proposals/> [accessed 1 October 2019].

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This table provides the annual and unit costs for hospital-based scientific and professional staff. See notes facing for assistance in interpreting each cost item and the beginning of this chapter for examples of roles in each band. See also Excel database on the PSSRU website. **Please note that there are no staff on Bands 1-3 for this staff group.**

Refer to notes on facing page for references	Band 4	Band 5	Band 6	Band 7	Band 8a	Band 8b	Band 8c	Band 8d	Band 9
A Wages/salary	£23,387	£25,975	£34,736	£42,556	£49,149	£58,212	£69,322	£82,843	£100,586
B Salary on-costs	£6,844	£7,736	£10,757	£13,453	£15,727	£18,852	£22,682	£27,344	£33,462
C Qualifications (see notes)									
D Overheads									
Management, admin and estates staff	£6,261	£6,982	£9,422	£11,600	£13,436	£15,960	£19,054	£22,820	£27,761
Non-staff	£14,175	£15,807	£21,332	£26,263	£30,420	£36,135	£43,141	£51,667	£62,855
E Capital overheads									
-physiotherapists/OTs	£6,582	£6,582	£6,582	£6,582	£6,582	£6,582	£6,582	£6,582	£6,582
-radiographers	£9,650	£9,650	£9,650	£9,650	£9,650	£9,650	£9,650	£9,650	£9,650
-dietitians/speech and language therapists (or other professionals with a small treatment space or sharing facilities).	£5,362	£5,362	£5,362	£5,362	£5,362	£5,362	£5,362	£5,362	£5,362
F Travel									
G Working time	43.2 (1,618 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42.6 (1,599 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42.6 (1,599 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42.6 (1,599 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42.6 (1,599 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42.6 (1,599 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42.6 (1,599 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42.6 (1,599 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42.6 (1,599 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week
H Ratio of direct to indirect time	See note	See note	See note	See note	See note	See note	See note	See note	See note
London/non-London multiplier	See note	See note	See note	See note	See note	See note	See note	See note	See note
Unit costs available 2020/2021									
Cost per working hour									
-physiotherapists/OTs	£35	£39	£52	£63	£72	£85	£101	£120	£145
-radiographers	£37	£41	£54	£65	£74	£87	£102	£122	£147
-dietitians/speech and language therapists	£35	£39	£51	£62	£71	£84	£100	£119	£144

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The table overleaf provides the unit costs for hospital nurses bands 2-9 and replaces the individual schema previously found in this section. Each Agenda for Change (AfC) band can be matched to professionals using the AfC generic profiles: <http://www.nhsemployers.org/your-workforce/pay-and-reward/pay/job-evaluation/national-job-profiles>. Reference should be made to the explanatory notes when interpreting the unit costs. See below for examples of roles in each band.

Job titles by band	
Band 2	Clinical support worker nursing (hospital)
Band 3	Clinical support worker higher level nursing (hospital/mental health)
Band 4	Nurse associate practitioner acute, Nursery nurse (neonatal)
Band 5	Nurse, Nurse (mental health)
Band 6	Nurse specialist/team leader
Band 7	Nurse advanced/team manager
Band 8a	Modern matron
Bands 8a-c	Nurse consultant
Bands 8c-8d & 9	Nurse/Midwife consultant higher level

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A Wages/salary

Based on the mean full-time equivalent basic salary for Agenda for Change (AfC) bands 2-9 of the May 2020/April 2021 NHS staff earnings estimates for nurses.¹ See *NHS Terms And Conditions Of Service Handbook* for information on payment for unsocial hours.² The Electronic Staff Records (ESR) system shows that the mean basic salary for all staff nurses is £33,143; matrons is £48,878; and nurse managers is £51,915.

B Salary oncosts

Employer's national insurance is included, plus 14.38 per cent of salary for employer's contribution to superannuation

C Qualification costs

See Section V for detailed information on qualifications for each grade of hospital-based nurses. These costs have been calculated using the method described in Netten et al. (1998).³ Current cost information has been gathered from various sources (see Schema 18). To calculate the cost per hour including qualifications for each grade, the appropriate expected annual cost shown in Chapter 18 should be divided by the number of working hours. This can then be added to the cost per working hour.

D Overheads

Taken from *NHS foundation trusts accounts: consolidated (FTC) files 2018/2019*.⁴

Management and other non-care staff costs were 20.71 per cent of direct care salary costs and included administration and estates staff.

Non-staff costs were 46.89 per cent of direct care salary costs. They include costs to the provider for drugs, office, travel/transport, publishing, training courses and conferences, supplies and services (clinical and general), and utilities such as water, gas and electricity.

E Capital overheads

Based on the new-build and land requirements of NHS hospital facilities, but adjusted to reflect shared use of office space for administration, and recreational and changing facilities.^{5,6}

F Working time

Working hours for each AfC band have been calculated by deducting sickness absence days as reported for NHS staff groups⁷ and training/study days from 225 working days per annum.

G Ratio of direct to patient-related time

See previous editions and Chapter 20 of Section V of this report for further information.

¹ NHS Digital (2021) *NHS staff earnings estimates, 12-month period from May 2020 – April 2021* (not publicly available), NHS Digital, Leeds.

² NHS Employers (2018) *NHS Terms and Conditions of Service Handbook*, NHS Employers, London. <http://www.nhsemployers.org/tchandbook> [accessed 25 September 2018].

³ 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.

⁴ NHS Improvement (2019) *NHS Foundation Trusts: Consolidation (FTC) files 2018/19*, [Consolidated foundation trust accounts 2018 19.pdf](https://www.nhs.uk/consult/condfoundtrstacc201819.pdf) ([england.nhs.uk](https://www.nhs.uk)) [accessed 9 October 2021] [accessed 17 October 2019]

⁵ Building Cost Information Service (2017) *Surveys of tender prices*, Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors, London

⁶ Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government (2018) *Land value estimates for policy appraisal 2017*, <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/land-value-estimates-for-policy-appraisal-2017> [accessed 25 September 2018].

⁷ NHS Digital, *NHS sickness absence rates*, January 2019 to March 2019 and Annual Summary 2010-11 to 2018-19, NHS Digital, London. <https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/publications/statistical/nhs-sickness-absence-rates/january-2019-to-march-2019-and-annual-summary-2010-11-to-2018-19> [accessed 1 October 2019]

13. Hospital-based nurses

This table provides the annual and unit costs for hospital-based nurses (see the notes facing for assistance in interpreting each cost item). See also the beginning of this chapter for examples of roles in each band. See also Excel database on the PSSRU website. Please note that there are no staff on Bands 1-3 for this staff group.

Hospital-based nurses										
Refer to notes on facing page for references	Band 4	Band 5	Band 6	Band 7	Band 8a	Band 8b	Band 8c	Band 8d	Band 9	
A Wages/salary	£22,246	£28,074	£35,118	£42,376	£48,334	£56,907	£67,356	£79,639	£95,285	
B Salary oncosts	£6,451	£8,460	£10,889	£13,391	£15,446	£18,402	£22,004	£26,240	£31,634	
C Qualifications (see notes)										
D Overheads										
Management, admin and estates staff	£5,943	£7,566	£9,528	£11,549	£13,209	£15,596	£18,507	£21,927	£26,285	
Non-staff	£13,456	£17,131	£21,573	£26,149	£29,906	£35,312	£41,901	£49,646	£59,512	
E Capital overheads	£2,339	£3,482	£3,482	£3,482	£3,482	£3,482	£3,482	£3,482	£3,482	
F Working time	42.3 weeks (1,589 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42 weeks (1,573 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42 weeks (1,573 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42 weeks (1,573 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42 weeks (1,573 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42 weeks (1,573 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42 weeks (1,573 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42 weeks (1,573 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42 weeks (1,573 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week	42 weeks (1,573 hours) per year, 37.5 hours per week
G Ratio of direct to indirect time on:										
Face to face contacts	See notes	See notes	See notes	See notes	See notes	See notes	See notes	See notes	See notes	
Cost per working hour	£32	£41	£51	£62	£70	£82	£97	£115	£137	

14. Hospital-based doctors

The table overleaf provides the unit costs for hospital doctors and replaces the individual schema previously found in this section. Reference should be made to the explanatory notes when interpreting the unit costs. See below for examples of work performed under each title.

Work performed under each job title	
Foundation doctor FY1 Foundation doctor FY2	Foundation doctors are a grade of medical practitioner undertaking a two-year, general postgraduate medical training programme, which forms the bridge between medical school and specialist/general practice training. They have the opportunity to gain experience in a series of posts in a variety of specialty and healthcare settings. ¹
Registrar	A registrar is a specialist in training for medical consultancy. ²
Associate specialist	An associate specialist grade is normally reached by doctors taking a non-consultant career path involving becoming a staff grade after being a foundation doctor. ²
Consultant: medical, surgical and psychiatric	Consultants are senior hospital-based physicians or surgeons who have completed their entire specialist training and been placed on the specialist register in their chosen speciality. A consultant typically leads a team of doctors which comprises specialty registrars and foundation doctors, all training to work in the consultant's speciality, as well as other 'career grade' doctors such as clinical assistants, clinical fellows, speciality doctors, associate specialists and staff grade doctors. ²

¹ NHS, UK (2016) *The Foundation Programme*, <http://www.foundationprogramme.nhs.uk/pages/home>

² Prospects (2016) *Job profile, hospital doctors*, <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/hospital-doctor>

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A. Wages/salary

The mean basic salary for hospital doctors has been taken from the May 2020/April 2021 Electronic Staff Record (ESR).¹ See *NHS Terms And Conditions Of Service Handbook* for information on payment for unsocial hours and shift work.² See Section V for further information on pay scales.

B. Salary oncosts

Employer's national insurance is included plus 20.68 per cent of salary for employer's contribution to superannuation.

C. Overheads

Taken from *NHS foundation trusts accounts: consolidated (FTC) files 2018/2019*.³

Management and other non-care staff costs were 20.71 per cent of direct care salary costs and included administration and estates staff.

Non-staff costs were 46.89 per cent of direct care salary costs. They include costs to the provider for drugs, office, travel/transport, publishing, training courses and conferences, supplies and services (clinical and general), and utilities such as water, gas and electricity.

D. Capital overheads

Based on the new-build and land requirements of NHS hospital facilities.^{4,5} Adjustments have been made to reflect shared use of administration and recreational facilities, including accommodation for night-time duties. Treatment space has not been included. Capital costs have been annuitised over 60 years at a discount rate of 3.5 per cent, declining to 3 per cent after 30 years.

E. Working time

Working hours for each Agenda for Change band have been calculated by deducting sickness absence days as reported for NHS staff groups⁶ and training/study days from 225 working days per annum. Under the European Working Time Directive (EWTB), the majority of foundation officers (Year 1) are working up to 48 hours per week, 19.7 per cent are working up to 56 hours, and 11.3 per cent are working 40 hours.⁷

F. London and non-London multiplier

See information produced by NHS Employers⁸ and NHS Improvement⁹ for information on Inner and Outer London supplements and the market forces factor (MFF) which estimates the unavoidable cost differences between healthcare providers, based on their geographical location.

¹ NHS Digital (2021) *NHS staff earnings estimates, 12-month period from May 2020 – April 2021* (not publicly available), NHS Digital, Leeds.

² NHS Employers (2018) *NHS Terms and Conditions of Service Handbook*, NHS Employers, London. <http://www.nhsemployers.org/tchandbook> [accessed 25 September 2018]

³ NHS Improvement (2019) *NHS Foundation Trusts: Consolidation (FTC) files 2018/19, Consolidated foundation trust accounts 2018 19.pdf (england.nhs.uk)* [accessed 9 October 2021]

⁴ Building Cost Information Service (2017) *Surveys of tender prices*, Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors, London.

⁵ Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government (2018) *Land value estimates for policy appraisal 2017*, <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/land-value-estimates-for-policy-appraisal-2017> [accessed 25 September 2018].

⁶ NHS Digital, *NHS sickness absence rates, January 2019 to March 2019 and Annual Summary 2010-11 to 2018-19*, NHS Digital, London. <https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/publications/statistical/nhs-sickness-absence-rates/january-2019-to-march-2019-and-annual-summary-2010-11-to-2018-19> [accessed 1 October 2019]

⁷ Provided by the Department of Health, 2010.

⁸ NHS Employers (2019) *Annex 9: High cost area supplements*, <https://www.nhsemployers.org/tchandbook/annex-4-to-10/annex-9-high-cost-area-supplements> [accessed 1 October 2019].

⁹ NHS Improvement (2019) *2019/2020 payment reform proposals*, <https://improvement.nhs.uk/resources/201920-payment-reform-proposals/>. [accessed 1 October 2019].

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This table provides the annual and unit costs for hospital-based doctors (see the notes facing for assistance in interpreting each cost item). See also the beginning of this chapter for examples of work performed under each title. See also Excel database on the PSSRU website.

Hospital-based doctors							
Refer to notes on facing page for references	Foundation doctor FY1	Foundation doctor FY2	Registrar	Associate specialist	Consultant: medical	Consultant: surgical	Consultant: psychiatric
A Wages/salary	£28,057	£32,388	£45,732	£89,208	£98,674	£97,615	£99,026
B Salary oncosts	£8,454	£9,947	£14,548	£29,539	£32,803	£32,438	£32,924
C Overheads							
Management, admin and estates staff	£7,561	£8,768	£12,484	£24,593	£27,229	£26,934	£27,327
Non-staff	£17,120	£19,851	£28,266	£55,680	£61,650	£60,982	£61,871
D Capital overheads	£4,737	£4,737	£4,737	£4,737	£6,149	£6,149	£6,149
E Working time	44.5 weeks (2,137 hours) per year 48 hours per week	44.5 weeks (2,137 hours) per year 48 hours per week	42.4 weeks (2,038 hours) per year 48 hours per week	42.5 weeks (1,701 hours) per year 40 hours per week	42.5 weeks (1,841 hours) per year 43.3 hours per week	42.5 weeks (1,841 hours) per year 43.3 hours per week	42.5 weeks (1,841 hours) per year 43.3 hours per week
London multiplier/non-London multiplier	See note	See note	See note	See note	See note	See note	See note
Units costs available 2020/2021							
Cost per working hour	£31	£35	£52	£120	£123	£122	£123
Cost per working hour, 56-hr week	£26	£30	£44	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cost per working hour, 40-hr week	£37	£42	£62	NA	NA	NA	NA