

Competition and Markets Authority (CMA)

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Under the terms of the CMA's Order, private hospital operators such as **The Hospital Group** must follow certain processes and publish certain information in relation to the clinicians who work at our hospitals. This relates to arrangements with referring clinicians for private patient care only. The Order requires private hospital operators to:

- charge referring clinicians for their use of consulting rooms and other services at our hospitals and to publish information on those charges.
- publish details of lower-value (routine) amenities and facilities made available to clinicians.
- publish details of specific corporate hospitality events offered to clinicians.
- publish details of any joint ownership with clinicians of facilities or equipment.
- publish details where any referring clinician also holds a part-time position in our hospitals.

The Hospital Group Statement

At The Hospital Group we do not offer any scheme, arrangements or incentive to induce a referring clinician to refer or treat private patients at our facility. Patients either self-refer to our services or surgeons may choose to utilise our facility to treat their own private patients. All surgeons work within a practicing privileges agreement and provide their own insurance and indemnity cover.

Corporate Hospitality consists solely of a bi-annual surgeon communication and education session. None of our clinicians hold financial interest in the company.

We employ 4 clinicians on a part-time basis specifically to support the organisation in Clinical Governance and Infection Prevention and Control.

Higher Value Services offered to surgeons

The services provided at Transform for clinicians who consult with their private patients are set out below:

Use of consulting rooms for pre-operative consultation: £20 per hour

Use of consulting rooms for post-operative consultation: £20 per hour

We do not offer (and therefore do not charge) for secretarial services

Low Value Services offered to surgeons

General services to ensure clinical safety (eg: In house training, chaperones)

Bi-annual surgeon communication and education events

Operational services such as patient bookings/admissions and administrative services and billing

General marketing support including production of surgeon profiles and promotional activities

Basic workplace amenities such as refreshments, car parking, stationary, subsidised meals

Under **The Hospital Group's** clinical and corporate governance structure, each of our hospitals has a local Medical Advisory Committee (MAC) which meets regularly. MAC representatives include consultants and anaesthetists who provide clinical advice and guidance or other support to our patients and The Hospital Group. For any queries, please contact us:

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