

Health Unions React to NHS Pay Offer

Health unions representing 200,000 healthcare scientists, health visitors, speech and language therapists, clinical psychologists, chaplains, mental health nurses, skilled support staff in maintenance and estates, midwives, physiotherapists, radiographers, chiropractors, orthoptists, dietitians and clinical scientists have issued the following statement in response to a multi year pay offer for NHS staff:

“We would accept the NHS Pay Review Body’s recommendation of 2.75% on NHS staff pay for 2008/9 because of our commitment to the independent pay review body process. However the proposed offer of 2.4% and 2.25% for years two and three after the PRB recommendation gives us great cause for concern as the current uncertain economic situation leads us to believe that it would not meet our members expectations and would represent a real terms pay cut for our members.”

The following unions are signatories to this statement: Unite; Royal College of Midwives; Chartered Society of Physiotherapy; Society of Radiographers; Society of Chiropractors and Podiatrists; British Orthoptic Society; British Dietetic Association; Federation of Clinical Scientists.

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