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The true cost of quality care.

In an ever-evolving healthcare landscape, understanding the true costs of quality care is paramount. As we navigate new legal standards and strive for excellence, it's crucial to recognise the value of investing in ethical, high-quality healthcare staffing, now more than ever before.



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Every so often, questions arise about why our rates may appear slightly higher than expected. We recognise the importance of seeking savings, particularly in today's economic climate. However, it's crucial to consider the impact of upholding quality care when it comes to our pricing structure.

At Nurseplus, our rates are meticulously calculated to ensure not only fair compensation for our staff but also the delivery of exceptional care within the sector. Our commitment goes beyond mere compliance; it's a dedication to upholding industry-leading standards that prioritise both our care staff and those under their care.

Ahead of the national minimum wage increase on April 1st 2024, we're here to help you understand exactly how our rates are priced, and why this helps us maintain the highest quality of care possible.

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Legal minimum wage

As of 1st April 2024, the legal minimum wage for someone working shifts in your care setting is set to rise from £10.42 to £11.44 per hour.

With other on-costs included (NI, pension, holiday pay and apprenticeship levy), this means the total minimum cost of employment is rising from £12.85 per hour to £14.10 per hour.

If an agency offers you a rate lower than £14 per hour, it suggests that they might not be operating within the bounds of the law.

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Recent headlines in the news have underscored the importance of fair treatment and respect within the care sector. Our rates reflect more than just monetary compensation; they signify a commitment to dignity, integrity, and the welfare of all involved. By choosing Nurseplus, you're investing in a partner that values people - from our dedicated care staff to the individuals they support.

While our rates may initially seem higher than some competitors', they're a reflection of our unwavering commitment to quality, legality, and ethical treatment. Nurseplus ensures compliance with all legal standards, including fair wages and proper taxation, providing peace of mind to both our clients and care staff.

Our rates encompass not just hourly wages but a comprehensive package that includes National Insurance contributions, holiday pay, pension contributions, and additional benefits such as access to highstreet shopping discounts and free uniform. Nurseplus recognises the importance of supporting our staff holistically to ensure their wellbeing and job satisfaction.

At Nurseplus, quality care starts with quality staff, and this involves more than just paying their wages.

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Industry leading mandatory training

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Comprehensive revalidation support



Dedicated internal audit function



Internal support functions



Rigorous recruitment & screening process



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There are many other costs that contribute to the operation and the quality service we provide at Nurseplus.



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Out of hours on-call service Our industry-leading, mandatory, classroom training ensures that all Nurseplus staff are equipped with the knowledge and skills they need to provide the highest quality of care. We believe in investing in our employees' professional development, setting the foundation for exceptional service to our clients.

Our dedicated and highly skilled team of clinical nurses, qualified health and safety personnel, and former Registered Managers maintain a system of quality control in order to monitor the standard of the services we provide. We are able to identify any areas of concern or risk, in order to take remedial action immediately.

Nurseplus operates an internal recruitment team dedicated to conducting thorough background checks and screening processes. Our meticulous approach to recruitment ensures that we only employ the most qualified and reliable healthcare professionals, providing peace of mind to our clients and ensuring the safety and well-being of those in our care.

For our nursing staff, we provide free revalidation support to help them maintain their professional registration and compliance with the NMC. This not only alleviates the administrative burden on our staff but also ensures continuous professional development and adherence to the highest standards of care.

Our internal functions including payroll, quality assurance, recruitment, and IT ensure accuracy, timeliness, and compliance with all legal requirements. These internal functions are critical to the ongoing support of our care staff and clients.

Understanding the unpredictable nature of the care sector, Nurseplus offers a free out of hours on-call service, ensuring that both our staff and clients have access to the support they require.

A partnership built on excellence.

In trusting Nurseplus as your agency of choice, you're choosing more than just a service provider; you're choosing a commitment to excellence in care delivery. Our dedication to transparency, integrity, and accountability is what helps set us apart, ensuring that every individual receives the highest quality of care they deserve.

Unfortunately, now more than ever, we have seen that not all staffing agencies share our commitment to quality care or compliance.

Some agencies are illegally underpaying staff, evading tax and providing inadequate support and training to their care staff.

The implications of choosing an agency that cuts corners are significant, not just in terms of compliance and legalities, but more importantly, in the quality of care provided to those who need it most.

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What should you look out for?

As we move towards April 1st 2024, the landscape of minimum wage regulations within the healthcare sector is poised for an important shift.

The statutory minimum wage for individuals working shifts within your healthcare setting will increase from $\pounds 12.85$ to $\pounds 14.10$ per hour, with an adjustment to $\pounds 14.79$ in Scotland.

This adjustment is far more than just a change in monetary terms; it represents a foundational commitment to ensuring the provision of care is lawful, ethical, and of the highest quality.

Should you encounter an agency proposing rates below £14 per hour, it serves as a clear warning sign of potential legal non-compliance. Not only will they be neglecting compliance and legalities but most importantly, they will be placing those in your care at risk.

Choosing Nurseplus means choosing an agency that doesn't just fill shifts but upholds the dignity and safety of everyone involved. With over 4,000 highly qualified temporary care staff across our branch network, we are ready to support you and your team in delivering the highest quality of care.

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