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Chief Executive Officer
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**Revision of Acting-Up Arrangements for Psychiatric Nurses
under Partnership 2000**

Dear Chief Executive Officer,

I am directed by the Minister for Health and Children to refer to the special arrangements for payment in relation to Acting-Up for Psychiatric Nurses. Set out below are the revised amounts with effect from 1 April 2000 incorporating the 1% increase under the fourth phase of Partnership 2000 for Inclusion, Employment and Competitiveness.

1. Psychiatric Staff Nurse acting-up at Nursing Officer 1 or Nursing Officer 1 and 2 acting up at A.C.N.O. should receive the following allowance or the minimum of the scale, whichever is greater.

April 2000
£2497

2. Psychiatric Staff Nurse acting-up at Nursing Officer 2 should receive the following allowance or the minimum of the scale, whichever is greater.

April 2000
£1941

3. Nursing Officer 2 acting-up at Nursing Officer 1 should receive the following allowance or the minimum of the scale, whichever is greater.

April 2000
£745

Attention is again drawn to the over-riding condition governing such circumstances that the acting-up allowance payable in each case together with the substantive salary cannot exceed the maximum of the scale applicable to the grade in which the Psychiatric Nurse is acting-up.

Yours sincerely,

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Appendix to Circular 115/99

INCREASED COSTS ARISING FROM UNSOCIAL HOURS PREMIUM FOR NURSING GRADES

Page 2 - Schedule for Funding Adjustments - 1999.

Please complete the following. Numbers will be expected to correspond to relevant Personnel Census figures.

Agency _____

Grade	Numbers Affected (WTE)	Premium Pay Costs £m	Employers PRSI £m	Annual Cost £m
Staff Nurse Level				
Junior/Ward Sister				
Deputy/ Nursing Officer				
Theatre Sister				
Theatre Supt.				
Other: Please Specify				
Total				

I confirm that the requested funding adjustment set out above reflects the cost involved in the implementation of unsocial hours premium for nursing grades.

Signed _____