An Roinn Sláinte Department of Health



Circular 6/2024

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To: National Director of Human Resources, HSE

Revision of Rates for Sexual Assault Treatment Unit Out of Hours Arrangements for Forensic Nurse Examiners from 1 June 2024

Dear Anne Marie

I am directed by the Minister for Health to convey the following instructions regarding revised rates that have been introduced in respect of Sexual Assault Treatment Unit out of hours arrangements for Forensic Nurse Examiners.

The rates in payment at present are set out within HSE HR Circular 036/2019, however the revised rates set out below are effective from 1 June 2024 and as such, should be retrospectively applied to that date.

This allowance will be included in the next set of DoH Consolidated Salary Scales, which is due for 1st October 2024.

General round pay adjustments arising from public service agreements in respect of allowances in the nature of pay will be applied as they arise going forward.

On-call payments for SATU Forensic Nurses

SATU Forensic Nurse On-Call		
Mon - Fri	Sat	Sun/Public Holidays
€50.07	€64.31	€86.93

The on call payments set out above are based on a 12-hour period. Pro rata to apply after 12 hours. Standard superannuation arrangements with regard to 'on call' payments apply.

In exceptional circumstances where a person not "on call" is required to <u>attend</u> a SATU, that individual will be remunerated on a fee per case basis at the rate of \notin 200.28. If such a person's advice is <u>solely provided over the phone</u>, a pro rata payment calculated from that rate equating to the period of the time involved will be made.

This also applies in circumstances where such advice is given by a person "on call" but not required to physically attend the SATU.

Call Out Fee/Payments for SATU Nurse Examiners

SATU Forensic Nurse Call Out			
Mon - Fri	Sat	Sun/Public Holidays	
€200.28	€200.28	€200.28	

These rates apply in respect of call out durations of up to 4 hours, - hourly rate to apply thereafter.

The call out fee will apply from time of receipt of call regarding the case.

General Queries

Requests for clarification from individual employees should be directed to the employee's own HR Manager where they are employed. Requests for clarification from HR Managers should be directed to the HSE's National Employee Relations team (<u>info.t@hse.ie</u>). Requests for clarifications from HSE National Employee Relations should be raised directly with <u>National_HR_Unit@health.gov.ie</u>

Circulation

Please bring this circular to the attention of HR Managers, payroll and staff of your organisation. The HSE is also requested to bring this circular to the attention of Section 38 employers.

Yours sincerely

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