

Health unions make joint call for pay rise before xmas

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Fourteen trade unions representing staff across the National Health Service have sent a joint letter to the prime minister calling on the government to give all health workers a pay increase before Christmas. The next pay increase was not due until April 2021, but the unions argue that an early increase would help employees “feel valued, by the entire country, and the government too”. They also state in the letter that raising pay this year could persuade staff looking to leave the NHS to change their minds. An early wage boost could also “prove attractive to thousands of much-needed potential NHS recruits”.

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