## Union focuses on pay rise and fair pay in meeting with government

Czech Republic

Around 150 trade unionists from the health sector attended a meeting with the Prime Minister and Health Minister organised by the OSZSP trade union. The main focus of the meeting was on pay and concerns expressed by the union about the many health workers who do the same job but are on different rates of pay. OSZSP also wants a guarantee from the government that it will honour the agreement to pay all health workers a 10% increase in January 2019. It is worried about statements from the Health Minister that the pay rise should be allocated differently. While welcoming the Prime Minister's suggestion that health spending should increase to 9% of GDP, the union underlined the need for urgent action to increase staffing across the sector.

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