

Health Practitioners Interstate Comparison (The Real Truth)



The Queensland government has spent thousands of taxpayer dollars on a newspaper ad that misrepresents how much it pays its own workforce.

The ad printed in the front of today's Courier-Mail is totally inaccurate in its depiction of comparative Health Practitioner pay rates across Australia.

QLD Physiotherapist (senior)	Salary only	Government ad salary
	\$84 555 (HP4.1)	\$101 617
NSW Physiotherapist (senior)	Salary only	Government ad salary
	\$87 413 Level 4 yr 1	\$89 598 Level 4 yr 2

The salary the government's ad gives for Queensland physiotherapists includes superannuation, on-call allowances and other allowances.

The rate given in the ad for the NSW equivalent excludes superannuation, on-call allowances and other allowances (despite the asterisk).

Queensland Health is not comparing apples with apples.

The department has been claiming that Queensland Health Practitioners are the highest paid in the nation.

The true figures show that physiotherapists in WA and NT are paid more than physiotherapists in Queensland.

Senior Clinicians employed as physiotherapists in Queensland at HP4 in their first year are paid \$84 555; in NSW they are paid \$87 413. In their second year they are paid \$86 314 in Queensland; in NSW they are paid \$89 598.