

AJM Healthcare is an employer of around 330 people. The gender split of employees is 60% men and 40% women. Part of our strategy is to create a balanced and diverse workforce. The diversity of our people is an asset and what makes AJM Healthcare a great place to work for our employees. We need diversity to succeed as a company, especially as we work to deliver our mission to consistently provide a superior, quality-driven and continuously improving service, focused on our service users.

## Our gender pay gap results

The statistics in this report are based on a snapshot date of 5th April 2022.

**Pay:** The Gender Pay Gap is the difference between men's and women's average hourly pay across AJM Healthcare, expressed as a percentage. Our pay gap results show that we have a negative result. We have a median pay gap of -6.72%, which is an increase versus last year -2.02% and a mean pay gap of 8.49% versus last year of 9.98%. This shows that our approach to pay and equality continues to work, and that our policies and procedures are effective.



**Bonus:** Our bonus pay gap results show a positive result; the median bonus pay gap is 65.64% versus -30.89% last year and the mean bonus pay gap is 65.64% versus 91.44% last year. We have improved our mean bonus gap since last year as the amount of females that have received a bonus has increased versus males. However the number of females receiving a bonus versus males remains low; 13.39% (LY 4.55%) of females / 37.97% (LY 34.97%) of males received a bonus. Bonuses are awarded based on departmental, site and company performance and paid equally to the entire qualifying group regardless of gender. We have increased the number of females in managerial roles that receive bonuses, which these figures reflect.



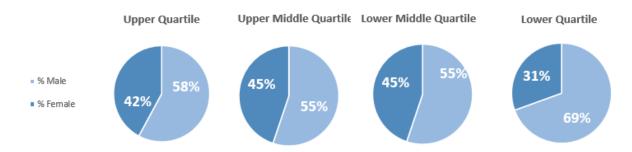
**Pay quartiles:** This shows the proportion of men and women in each pay quartile of our workforce. Our upper quartile shows a 10% increase in the proportion of females on last year. This reflects the fact that there is a proportion of senior and executive roles that are now occupied by women. AJM has been working to improve the representation of women and we recognise we are making progress and we will

continue to work to ensure women can progress through the organisation appropriately.

The upper middle quartile has a more even split and shows a higher proportion of females than the overall company split. This is reflective of the females in management roles such as clinical manager, clinical lead, service operations managers and head office functions, but also reflects the proportion of clinical staff that are female.

The lower middle and lower quartiles show that females are underrepresented, which is a reflection of the number of women in engineering roles which remains low. The amount of females in the lower quartile has decreased since last year by 16%, with 12% increase in the lower middle quartile.

The below charts show our gender split by pay quartile.



## Summary

The nature of our business means we work in partnership with public sector organisations such as the NHS, the MOD and local government. This means that when we transfer employees into AJM we maintain their pay and terms and conditions of service under the TUPE regulations, at the snapshot date 32% of our workforce are on protected terms, which has some influence on pay levels. AJM has historically been an engineering-based business, which has been traditionally dominated by men. As the organisation has grown in recent years it has moved focus from just engineering and has developed into a healthcare and logistics provider. The organisation has seen a significant increase in females joining the organisation in this time and continues to increase its female representation at all levels of the business. Within our workforce, 33% of our job roles are engineers, technicians, drivers and warehouse, job roles that have traditionally attracted men. We have however successfully attracted more females to these role types in the last year and hope to attract more in the coming year.

We ensure that our job roles are accessible to all and we review our salaries on an annual basis. We will conduct regular equal pay audits to identify and rectify any potential equal pay issues. Our equality, diversity and human rights policy underpins our approach and is supported by our training programme, which includes e-learning packages to ensure all our workforce are trained in the importance of equality and

diversity. Our recruitment process has improved with the introduction of new systems and processes and we will continue to improve it. We use a range of sources to attract men and women. We welcome internal applications and promote internal progression for all staff. We appoint and promote the right person for the job based on their skills regardless of their gender.

## Our long-term ambitions

We remain committed to equal opportunities for all employees. We will keep learning from and responding to the data to make improvements that add to our momentum. Whilst we are pleased with our gender pay gap results, we know there are some areas on which we could improve in terms of female representation at a senior/executive level. We remain committed to maintaining an even balance in gender pay and bonus gap by balancing men and women across our organisation at all levels. We strive to maintain our balance and positive results.

Here are some of the actions we are going to take:

- Continue to focus on recruitment practices for departments where gender balance is more challenging, such as technicians, drivers, stores and senior management.
- Review bonus schemes.
- Ensure consistent representation of women at all levels throughout the organisation.
- Continue our promise to shortlist more women for management and senior management roles.
- Continue to regularly review pay.
- Build a talent pool that addresses the pipeline of women ready to move into supervisory and management roles.
- Continue to develop our attitudes to flexible working arrangements and promote our maternity, paternity and shared parental leave policies, all of which can support career progression.

## **Declaration**

We confirm that the information and data provided in this report is accurate and in line with mandatory requirements.

Steve Peck

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