



## TLC Homecare Ltd Gender Pay Gap Report

TLC Homecare Ltd is a subsidiary of the Optimo Care Group, and a leading provider of domiciliary care services across the North of England. From 2017, any organisation that has 250 or more employees must publish and report specific figures about their gender pay gap. The gender pay gap is the difference between the average earnings of men and women, expressed relative to men's earnings. For example, 'men earn 15% more than women per hour'.

Employers must both:

- publish their gender pay gap data and a written statement on their public-facing website
- report their data to government online - using the gender pay gap reporting service.

Our gender pay gap data for the snapshot date of 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017 can be found below:

Mean Gender Pay Gap:	-4.41%
Median Gender Pay Gap:	-6.82%
Mean Bonus Gender Pay Gap:	-53.51%
Median Bonus Gender Pay Gap:	0.00%
Proportion of Males Receiving a Bonus Payment :	5.88%
Proportion of Females Receiving a Bonus Payment:	8.36%
Proportion of Males and Females in each Pay Quartile:	

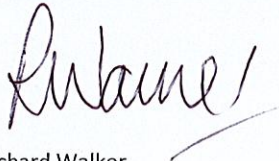
	Male	Female
Upper	0.00%	100.00%
Upper Middle	12.16%	87.84%
Lower Middle	4.05%	95.95%
Lower	6.67%	93.33%

The above results are unsurprising as the care sector is quite heavily female dominated with an average of 84% of carers across England being female and only 16% being male, a Government statistic that has remained static since 2012. This leads to the negative mean and median gender pay gaps with the median gap being the highest due to only 1 in 16 of our employees being male.

The negative bonus mean gender pay gap is the result of only 1 male receiving a bonus in the period compared to 25 females. We operate a single bonus scheme, open to all employees at the same rate regardless of gender or seniority, directly related to successful referrals to vacancies within the group. The 0% bonus median gender pay gap is due to the comparatively low percentage of the total workforce who receive these bonuses, leading the median bonus for both males and females to be £0.

Government statistics also show that females are more likely to look at the care sector as a long-term prospect and follow career progression paths to more senior roles and despite offering equal opportunity to all our workers for career progression, the proportion of males and females in the upper quartiles supports this.

Signed on Behalf of TLC Homecare Ltd



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