

Generally, staff employed in the NHS and in GP practices, where the GP practice holds a GMS or PMS contract or in the case of a GP Federation holding an NHS Standard Contract, have the ability to retain membership of the NHS Pension Scheme. However, for those practices on an APMS contract or in sub-contracting situations, it will be necessary to check with the pension scheme regulations, lawyers or the <u>NHS Business Services Authority</u> to clarify the situation. You should speak to your trade union or HR representative for more information.

Pensions under the NHS Pension Scheme includes the retirement pension and early payment of pension on grounds of ill health.