## **Consultant 118**

5 September 2012

Dear Sir/ Madam

I am an osteopath who has been qualified [%] years. I run a small practice [%].

I charge [£35-£40] per visit and treat each patient for 40 mins.

Approximately 30% of my patient list is BUPA registered. I rely on this income to run my home and care for my children.

The drop in fees will put an unbearable financial squeeze on my family. The withdrawal of clinical decision making will affect my patients recovery. It is imperative I am able to make treatment choices based on my clinical reasoning, which is formed by a detailed case history and examination.

Time spent writing reports for BUPA will not improve my patients recovery. It will actually reduce time I can spend treating the patient, thus delay their recovery.