

Pay for Your Graduate Nursing Education Without Going Broke: Tips from the Pros

Ever-growing demands on the NHS means it could be reasonable for wealthier Britons to be charged to see a GP or have routine operation, veteran Conservative Ken Clarke (left) has suggested. Lord Clarke, who was Health Secretary from 1988 to 1990 under then Prime Minister Baroness Margaret Thatcher, said the prospect of charging some patients to use the NHS had become reasonable given the current crisis. The idea goes against the very founding principal of the health service in that treatment should be provided free for all, whatever their means. His comments come as Prime Minister Rishi Sunak (right) insisted the Government had not left it too late to take action on easing pressure on the NHS. The current crisis in the NHS has seen a surge in A&E demand, partly driven by rising flu and Covid admissions, has led to inhumane waits in emergency departments. Patients have reported staying for days in A&E, sleeping in chairs or on the floor, before being admitted and taken to a bed. Some hospitals have resorted to putting temporary beds in corridors or spare rooms. The crisis has also affected ambulance teams with emergency vehicles stuck outside hospitals unable to offload patients to full wards, leading to worsening response times. At the same time, NHS efforts to tackle the record elective care backlog are sluggish with 7.2million people in England now waiting for operations like knee and hip replacements.(inset).

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