Remote Work and Geographic Pay Key Policy Trends in Health Care Organizations

Attracting and retaining employees as the COVID-19 pandemic continues has proven increasingly difficult for health care organizations. As **workers grow accustomed to remote and more flexible work arrangements**, the provision of these offerings can become a competitive advantage in recruitment and retention.

Learn more from SullivanCotter's recent **Remote Work and Geographic Pay Pulse Survey**, which examines how health care organizations are responding to what has changed with respect to **remote work policies**, **geographic pay differentials**, **and staffing models** - all of which have been forever altered by the pandemic.

Remote Work

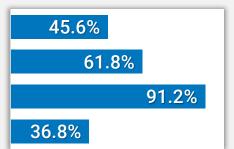
Prevalence of Different Remote Work Scenarios within Health Care

Fully remote and employee can live anywhere within the U.S.

Fully remote but employee must live within a prescribed area

Hybrid-remote (e.g. required to be in office once a week)

Remote work not offered or permitted



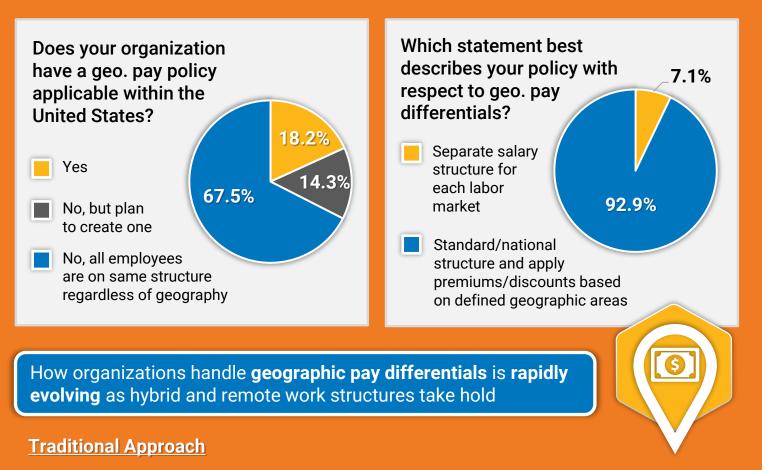
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As health care organizations navigate the 'new normal', they've encountered a number of challenges and benefits related to remote work



Geographic Pay

With the increase in remote work, issues regarding geographic pay have also become more complex. While national or headquarters-based compensation structures will continue to be important, **considerations around geographic pay are much more nuanced** as remote work is now prevalent and talent acquisition strategies extend beyond regional/local geographies.



- Pay determined by employee's location, with locations grouped together into 'pay zones'
- Differentials calculated using cost of labor data

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Organizations moving to a partial or fully remote model are considering other options as well:

- Traditional approach but provide pay differentials based on employees' location or nearest office
- Foregoing traditional approach and moving toward consistent 'national' structure for remote workers

Source: SullivanCotter 2022 Remote Work and Geographic Pay Pulse Survey

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