

## [News story: OPG wins Mind workplace wellbeing award](#)

OPG was awarded the prestigious Gold award by Mind at a ceremony on Tuesday 30 April.

The Gold award is the highest that an organisation can receive. It's only presented to organisations that have shown they have the right long-term policies and practices in place to support the wellbeing of employees.

Paul Farmer, CEO of Mind, said he was "impressed that (OPG) achieved the Gold award in (its) first year of taking part in the Mind index".

OPG was also named the highest-ranking government organisation in the Mind workplace wellbeing index and awarded third place for staff participation out of 106 employers across public and private sectors.

In receiving the award, Public Guardian and chief executive Alan Eccles said: "In October 2016, we signed the [Time to Change employer pledge](#), and promised we would provide a supportive environment for our staff. I am delighted that the work we have put in to create the right work environment has been positive for everyone who works at OPG. I am very honoured that we have been recognised in this way."

OPG is also one of the few civil service organisations to hold the [Workplace Wellbeing Charter](#), the national workplace wellbeing accreditation standard. In addition, OPG staff are well supported by mental health first aiders and mental health allies along with other internal networks which make the agency a great place to work.