

# Schedule of Benefits

# Physician Services Under the Health Insurance Act

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**Ministry of Health** 

[Commentary:

"The *Schedule* of Benefits: Physician Services is a *schedule* under Regulation 552 of the *Health Insurance Act* with the exception of the Table of Contents, Appendices A, B, C, F, G, H, Q, and the Numeric Index."]

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#### INTRODUCTION

#### [Commentary:

The Health Insurance Act and, to a lesser extent, the Integrated Community Health Services Centres Act, 2023 and the Commitment to the Future of Medicare Act, 2004, provide the legal foundation and framework for the Schedule of Benefits for Physician Services ("the Schedule").

The Schedule lists services insured by *OHIP* and includes the General Preamble (which impacts all physicians), Consultations and Visits section (which applies to all specialties) and specific system and/or specialty sections (including specialty preambles).

The General Preamble provides details about billing requirements for all physicians as follows:

The initial **Definitions Section (GP2)** begins with general definitions of key terms and phrases used in the Schedule. Those terms and phrases are italicized throughout the General Preamble as an indication that further information is available in the Definitions Section. The second group of defined terms refers specifically to maximums, minimums, and time or unit-based services.

The information provided in the **General Information Section (GP8)** is the foundation for the remainder of the General Preamble. A variety of subjects are reviewed as detailed in the table of contents. This is followed by the **Constituent and Common Elements of Insured Services (GP13)**. Next is the section which lists the **Specific Elements of Assessments (GP15)**. The next section provides information on **Consultations and Assessments (GP16)** followed by the section regarding services provided only in **Hospitals and Other Institutions (GP40)**.

The next section focuses on psychotherapy, counselling, and related services, followed by a similar review of services that involve interviews. The remaining sections include special visits, surgical assistants' services, anaesthesiologists' services, and others as listed in the table of contents.]

### DEFINITIONS

#### **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**

The words, phrases, and abbreviations defined below are italicized throughout the General Preamble for cross-reference. Unless otherwise specified, the following terms and expressions have the following meanings:

# A. Age Definitions

adolescent	a person 16 or 17 years of age
adult	a person 18 years of age and older
child	a person 2 years to and including 15 years of age
infant	a person from 29 days up to, and less than, 2 years of age
newborn	a person from birth up to, and including, 28 days of age

#### **B. Time Definitions**

12 month period	any period of 12 consecutive months
calendar year	the period from January 1 to December 31
day	a calendar day
fiscal year	from April 1 of one year to March 31 of the following year
month	a calendar month
week	any period of 7 consecutive days

#### **C. Other Definitions**

Act	Health Insurance Act	
Body Mass Index (BMI)	the ratio of the patient's mass (measured in kilograms) to the square of the patient's height (measured in metres)	
Bariatric Regional Assessment and Treatment Centre (RATC)	a facility that is approved and funded by the Ministry of Health for the assessment and treatment of morbid obesity for persons who have been referred to the facility for that purpose.	
common elements	the components that are included in all insured physician services	
constituent elements	the common elements and, where applicable, the specific elements of an insured service	
CPSO	College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario	
Dental Surgeon	a health care practitioner who meets the definition of "dental surgeon" as set out in Regulation 552 under the <i>Act</i> , and who has been issued an OHIP registration number.	

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emergency department equivalent	an office or other place, including Urgent Care Centres, Walk-in Clinics, Extended Hours Clinics, or other settings (other than a hospital emergency department) in which the only insured services provided are to patients who do not have pre-arranged appointments
general anaesthesia	all forms of anaesthesia except local infiltration
"H" fee	a fee set out in the Schedule for the technical component of a diagnostic service provided either in a hospital or in an offsite premise operated by the hospital corporation that has received approval under section 4 of the <i>Public Hospitals Act</i>

# holiday (for other than "H" prefix emergency department listings and Emergency Department Equivalent - A888) means all of the following:

- Family Day, Good Friday, Victoria Day, Canada Day, Civic Holiday, Labour Day, Thanksgiving, New Year's Day, and if the holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday either the Friday before or the Monday following the holiday, as determined at the choice of the physician.
- **2.** Boxing Day and if Boxing Day falls on a Saturday, the Monday following Boxing Day.
- 3. Christmas Day and
  - **a.** if Christmas Day falls on a Sunday, the Friday before Christmas Day; or
  - **b.** if Christmas Day falls on a Saturday, the Friday before and the Monday following Christmas Day.

# holiday (for "H" prefix emergency department listings and Emergency Department Equivalent - A888) means all of the following:

#### Family Day, Good Friday, Victoria Day, Canada Day, Civic Holiday, Labour Day, Thanksgiving, New Year's Day, December 25 through December 31 (inclusive) and,

- **a.** if Christmas Day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the Friday before Christmas Day; and
- b. if New Year's Day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the Monday following New Year's Day; and
- **c.** if Canada Day falls on a Saturday or Sunday either the Friday before or the Monday following Canada Day, as determined at the choice of the physician.

### [Commentary:

- **1.**Only services rendered on a *holiday* as defined above and listed as a *holiday* premium or service, e.g. certain special visit premiums, after-hours premiums and H-code emergency department services, are eligible for payment as *holiday* claims.
- 2. Special visit premiums are not eligible for payment with A888.]

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home		patient's place of residence including a multiple resident dwelling or single location that shares a common external building entrance or lobby, such as an apartment block, rest or retirement home, commercial hotel, motel or boarding house, university or boarding school residence, hostel, correctional facility, or group home and other than a hospital or Long-Term Care institution
ICHSC		Integrated Community Health Services Centre under the Integrated Community Health Services Centres Act, 2023.
indepen operativ procedu (IOP)	ve	a procedural code with a "Z" prefix (which is payable in addition to the amount payable for an assessment)
major preoper visit	rative	the consultation or assessment where the decision to operate is made, regardless of the time interval between the major preoperative visit and the surgery
may inc		when "may" or "may include" are used in the description of a listed service, all of the other services, or elements of, or components of insured services that are referred to following the terms "may", "may include", and that are performed in conjunction with the listed service are optional, but when rendered are included in the amount payable for the listed service
medical consult		a designated MOH physician
МОН		Ministry of Health
•	sible	the attending physician who is primarily responsible for the day-to-day care of a hospital in-patient
•	nt	when a service or a claim submitted for a service is described as "not eligible for payment", the service remains an insured service for which the amount payable is zero
Patient	ts cannot	
nurse practitic		has the same meaning as "registered nurse in the extended class" as set out in Regulation 552 under the <i>Act</i> .
OHIP		Ontario Health Insurance Plan
OMA		Ontario Medical Association
	nt	when a service is described as "only eligible for payment" when certain conditions are met and those conditions are not met, the service becomes not eligible for payment.
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#### [Commentary:

Patients cannot be charged for services described as "only eligible for payment" as they remain insured services.]

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palliative care	care provided to a terminally ill patient in the final year of life where the decision has been made that there will be no aggressive treatment of the underlying disease and care is to be directed to maintaining the comfort of the patient until death occurs	
patient's representative	the legal representative of a patient	
"P" fee	the fee for the professional component of a diagnostic service	
professional component	a class of service listed in the Schedule headed by a column listed "P" or with "professional component" listed opposite the service	
<b>[Commentary:</b> Additional information including the requirements for performing the <i>professional component</i> is found in the individual preambles to the applicable sections of the Schedule.]		
referral	written request by a physician, <i>nurse practitioner</i> , or <i>dental surgeon</i> in connection with an insured dental procedure rendered in a hospital for the provision of expert services by another physician to the patient of the referring physician, nurse practitioner, or <i>dental surgeon</i> .	
rendered personally by the physician	means that the service must be personally performed by the physician and may not be delegated to any other person. Services that are required to be "rendered personally by the physician" are uninsured if this requirement is not met	
Schedule	Schedule of Benefits for Physician Services	
specialist	a physician who holds one of the following:	
<ol> <li>a certification issued by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC);</li> </ol>		

- **2.** a certificate of registration issued by the *CPSO* to a physician who has successfully completed the Assessment program for International Medical Graduates (APIMG) in a recognized medical or surgical specialty;
- 3. a certificate of registration as a *specialist* issued by the CPSO to a physician employed;
  - in a full-time teaching or full-time research appointment in a recognized medical or surgical specialty other than family or general practice; and
  - by the faculty of medicine of an Ontario university at the rank of assistant professor or higher;
- 4. a certificate of registration issued on the order of the Registration Committee of the CPSO to a physician who practices in a recognized medical or surgical specialty other than family or general practice, where the requirements of registration are otherwise not met, and to which certificate terms, conditions, or limitations may be attached; or
- **5.** an equivalent certificate as described in 2, 3 or 4 above, issued by another Canadian jurisdiction to a physician who is exempted from subsections 9 (1) and (3) of the *Medicine Act, 1991* by a regulation made under that Act.

specific specific components, in addition to the common elements, that are included in particular insured physician services found in the General Preamble or the specialty section of the Schedule

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**"T" fee** the fee for the technical component of a service listed in the Pulmonary Function Studies section of the Schedule

**technical** a class of service listed in the Schedule headed by a column listed "H" or "T" or with "technical component" listed opposite the service

#### [Commentary:

Additional information including the requirements for performing the *technical component* is found in the individual preambles to the applicable sections of the schedule.]

**transferal** permanent or temporary complete transfer of the responsibility for the care of the patient from one physician to another

#### [Commentary:

A *transferal* occurs, for example, where the first physician is leaving temporarily on *holiday*s and is unable to continue to treat the patient.]

**uninsured** a service that is not prescribed as "insured" under the Act

#### service

with or without when "with or without" are used in the description of a listed service, all of the other services, or elements of, or components of insured services that are referred to following the terms "with or without", and that are performed in conjunction with the listed service are optional, but when rendered are insured and are included in the amount payable for the listed service

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#### MAXIMUMS, MINIMUMS AND TIME OR UNIT-BASED SERVICES

In this Schedule when the amount payable for a service is described:

- **a.** In terms of a maximum number of services without reference to a specific time period to which the maximum applies, this means that the maximum refers to a maximum number of services per patient per day. Those services rendered to the same patient on the same day in excess of the maximum for that patient on that day are *not eligible for payment*.
- **b.** In terms of a maximum number of services with reference to a specific time period to which the maximum applies, the services are calculated per patient and the number of services is based upon services rendered chronologically. Those services rendered to the same patient during that specific time period in excess of the maximum for that patient are *not eligible for payment*.
- **c.** In terms of a maximum with reference to a specific part of the anatomy, this means a maximum number of services per patient per day. Those services rendered in excess of the maximum for that specific part of the anatomy per patient on that day are *not eligible for payment*.
- **d.** In terms of a minimum number of services without reference to a specific time period to which the minimum applies, this means that the minimum refers to a minimum number of services per patient per day. With the exception of those services listed in the "Diagnostic Radiology" section of the Schedule or unless specifically stated otherwise, where less than the number of services required to satisfy the minimum are rendered, the services are *not eligible for payment*.
- **e.** In terms of "repeat" or "repeats", except with respect to repeat consultations or unless otherwise stated, this means the same service(s) is rendered to the same patient by the same physician on the same day.
- **f.** In terms of a minimum required duration of time, the physician must record on the patient's permanent medical record or chart the time when the insured service started and ended. If the patient's permanent medical record or chart does not include this required information, the service is *not eligible for payment*.
- **g.** Based upon the number of "units" of service rendered, the physician must record on the patient's permanent medical record or chart the time when the insured service started and ended. If the patient's permanent medical record or chart does not include this required information, the service is *not eligible for payment*.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### [Commentary: Services Insured by OHIP

The Schedule is established under section 37.1 of regulation 552 under the Act. The fees listed are the amounts payable by *OHIP* for insured services. Insured services under the Act are limited to those which are listed in this Schedule, medically necessary, are not otherwise excluded by legislation or regulation, and are rendered personally by physicians or by others delegated to perform them where such delegation is authorized in accordance with the Schedule requirements for delegated services.

Some services are specifically listed as uninsured in regulation 552, section 24 of the Act (see Appendix A), such as a service that is solely for the purpose of altering or restoring appearance. Other services may be uninsured depending on the circumstances. An example of a service which is uninsured in limited circumstances is psychotherapy, which is uninsured where it is a requirement for the patient to obtain a diploma or degree or to fulfill a course of study. Other examples of commonly *uninsured services* include missed appointments or procedures, circumcision except if medically necessary, and certain services rendered and documents and forms completed in connection with non-medically necessary requests (e.g. life insurance application).]

#### [Commentary: Modifications to the Schedule

Under agreement between the *MOH* and the *OMA*, additions, deletions, fee changes, or other modifications to the Schedule, are made by the *MOH* following consultation and/or negotiation with the *OMA*. Physicians who wish to have modifications to the Schedule considered should submit any proposals to the Physician Payment Committee (PPC) through the appropriate clinical section of the *OMA*.

In the situation where a new therapy or procedure is being introduced into Ontario, and the physicians performing the new therapy or procedure wish to have a new fee item inserted into the Schedule, the following process is recommended.

An application for a new fee related to the new therapy or procedure should be submitted by the appropriate section(s) of the *OMA* to the PPC for consideration, with documentation supporting the introduction of this item into the Schedule. The PPC will advise *OHIP* whether or not this new therapy is experimental. If the PPC and the *MOH* agree that the item is experimental, the service is deemed uninsured (in accordance with section 24 of regulation 552 under the Act), and will not be introduced into the Schedule. If the *MOH*, on the advice of the PPC, determines that the new therapy or procedure is not experimental, the fee application will be handled in the usual manner as detailed above.]

#### [Commentary: Medical Research

Examinations or procedures for the purpose of a research or survey program are not insured services, nor are services provided by a laboratory or a hospital that support an examination or procedure that is for the purpose of research or a survey. The exception to this is that an assessment conducted to determine if an insured person is suitable for such a program is not necessarily an *uninsured service* (see section 24 of regulation 552 under the Act - this is provided as Appendix A of the Schedule).]

#### [Commentary: Medical Records

All insured services must be documented in appropriate records. The Act requires that the record establish that:

1.an insured service was provided;

2. the service for which the account is submitted is the service that was rendered; and

3. the service was medically necessary.

The medical record requirements as found in the Act are listed in Appendix G of the Schedule.]

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### GENERAL PAYMENT RULES

#### [Commentary:

Claims for payment must be submitted to *OHIP* in the form and by the medium (e.g. electronic data transmission; machine readable input) as set out in sections 38.3 to 38.5 of regulation 552 under the Act and must contain the information required by the regulation and the General Manager of *OHIP*. Regulation 552 under the Act can be found at:

http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/DBLaws/Regs/English/900552\_e.htm.

Claims must be submitted within three *months* of the date the service was rendered, except in extenuating circumstances. A claim cannot be accepted for payment unless it meets all of the technical and formal requirements set out in the Act and regulations.]

- 1. The fee is payable only to the physician who rendered the service personally, or by the physician whose delegate rendered the service where delegation is authorized in accordance with the Schedule.
- 2. Where more than one physician renders different components of a listed service, only one fee is payable for that service, and the fee is payable only where the Schedule provides that different physicians may perform different components of the service.

#### [Commentary:

Where an insured service contains several components (e.g. surgical procedures that include post-operative care or fracture care), the components of the service are not divisible among physicians for claims purposes and the physicians are responsible for apportioning payment amongst themselves.]

**3.** Where the Schedule provides that different physicians may substitute for one another in performing the total service, only one fee is payable for the service.

#### [Commentary:

When physicians routinely or frequently substitute for each other in providing hospital visits to registered bed patients in active treatment hospitals, e.g. *weekend* coverage or daily rounds by various members of a group, the *most responsible physician* may claim for all the visits.]

#### **Specialist services**

When a service rendered by a *specialist* comprises part of an insured consultation or assessment that falls within the scope of his or her *specialist* practice, the service is *not eligible for payment* unless the claim for the service is submitted either:

- **a.** unless otherwise noted, in respect of a service described in the portions of the Consultations and Visits section of this Schedule that reflects the physician's Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada specialty, as documented in the records maintained by the *MOH* for claims payment purposes; or
- **b.** in respect of a service described in this Schedule under the following sub-headings which can be claimed by any specialty: psychotherapy, counselling, HIV primary care, *palliative care* support, hypnotherapy, certification of mental illness, interviews, genetic assessments, midwife or aboriginal midwife-requested emergency and special emergency assessments, *home* care application, or *home* care supervision.

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When a service rendered by a *specialist* does not fall within the scope of the *specialist*'s practice and/ or the *specialist* is providing primary care in a family or general practice setting, the service is *only eligible for payment* when the claim is submitted using the appropriate code from the "Family Practice & Practice in General" listings.

When more than one assessment is rendered to a patient during the same visit by the same physician who is qualified in one or more specialties, only one assessment is payable.

#### [Commentary:

Any additional assessment is not eligible for payment.]

#### Use of Codes, Prefixes and Suffixes

#### [Commentary:

Services are generally, but not necessarily, listed by anatomical system or specialty for convenience.]

The alpha-numeric fee code opposite the service listing in this Schedule must be set out in the claim submitted, together with the required suffix.

Surgical Codes: In the surgical part of the Schedule, the required suffixes are:

suffix A if the physician performs the procedure;

suffix B if the physician assisted at the surgery; and

suffix C if the physician administered the anaesthetic.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### **GENERAL PAYMENT RULES**

#### Diagnostic Services Rendered at a Hospital

The *technical component* of those diagnostic services that are listed with "*technical component*" or in a column headed "H" or "T" is *not eligible for payment* if the service is rendered to a patient who:

- 1. is an in-patient of a hospital; or
- 2. attends a hospital where he or she receives an insured diagnostic service; and
- **3.** within 24 hours of receiving that diagnostic service, is admitted to the same hospital as an inpatient in connection with the same condition, illness, injury or disease in relation to which the diagnostic service was rendered.

#### [Commentary:

- **1.**For those diagnostic services which have both technical and *professional components* listed under one fee schedule code, the technical and *professional components* are claimed separately. The claim for the *technical component* is submitted using the fee schedule code with the suffix B and the claim for the *professional component* is submitted using the fee schedule code schedule code with a suffix C.
- 2. The *technical component* may be listed as either "*technical component*" or in a column headed "H" or "T". The *professional component* may be listed as either "*professional component*" or in a column headed "P".]

The *technical component* of a diagnostic service listed in the column headed with an "H" and rendered outside of a hospital is *not eligible for payment* under the *Health Insurance Act*.

#### Payment for Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services Rendered at a Hospital

The *technical component* of a diagnostic and therapeutic service listed below and rendered in a hospital is payable at 94.68% of the listed fee in the column headed "T".

G104A, G111A, G121A, G127A, G140A, G143A, G146A, G149A, G152A, G153A, G167A, G174A,G181A, G209A, G284A, G308A, G310A, G311A, G315A, G414A, G440A, G441A, G442A, G443A,G448A, G451A, G455A, G466A, G471A, G519A, G540A, G541A, G542A, G544A, G554A, G570A,G574A, G582A, G585A, G647A, G648A, G651A, G652A, G654A, G655A, G682A, G683A, G684A,G685A, G686A, G687A, G688A, G689A, G694A, G695A, G815A, G850A, G851A, G852A, G853A,G854A, G855A, G856A, G857A, G858A, J301B, J304B, J324B, J327B

#### **Technical Component Requirements**

The *technical component* of a diagnostic procedure as described in the relevant section of the Schedule is *only eligible for payment* where:

- 1. the physician has the necessary training and experience to personally render the *technical component* of the service; and
- **2.** the physician maintains documentation that describes the process by which the physician monitors quality assurance in accordance with professional standards.

#### [Commentary:

**1.** The physician submitting a claim for the *technical component* is responsible for the complete quality assurance process for all elements of the *technical component* of the service, including data acquisition, reporting, and record keeping. The physician must be able to demonstrate the above upon request by the *MOH*.

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**2.**For delegated services rendered in the physician's office, see the Delegated Procedures section in the General Preamble of this Schedule.]

#### **Consultation and Assessment Codes**

There are four different prefixes used for consultations and assessments listed in the "Consultations and Visits" section of the Schedule. The codes with the "A" prefix are described as the "General Listings". These must be used when submitting a claim for consultations and assessments except in the following situations when the code listed below must be used:

- 1. acute care hospital non-emergency in-patient services "C" prefix codes;
- 2. long term care institution non-emergency in-patient services "W" prefix codes;
- 3. emergency department services rendered by a physician on duty "H" prefix (H1- codes); or
- rehabilitation unit services rendered by a *specialist* in Physical Medicine "H" prefix codes (H3XX codes)

#### [Commentary:

Submit claim using an "A" prefix assessment when an assessment is rendered in conjunction with a special visit premium. Information regarding when special visit premiums are payable is found on pages GP65 to GP78 of the General Preamble.]

#### Independent Consideration (IC)

Services listed in the Schedule without specified fees are identified as "IC" and are given independent consideration by the *medical consultant*. Claims for such services must be submitted with a supporting letter explaining the amount of the fee claimed, and must include an appropriate operative or consultation report, and a comparison of the scope and difficulty of the procedure in relation to non-IC procedures in the Schedule. For treatment of tumours not listed in the Schedule, surgeons must use the IC code, R993, and for surgical procedures not listed, but similar to a listed service, the code, R990.

### CONSTITUENT AND COMMON ELEMENTS OF INSURED SERVICES

#### [Commentary:

This Schedule identifies the *constituent elements* that comprise insured services. *Common elements* apply to all insured services and *specific elements* apply to specific groups of services where identified either in the General Preamble or in the preamble to a specific system and/or specialty sections of the Schedule. There may be additional specific requirements ("required elements of service", "payment rules", "claims submission instructions" or "notes") for some individual services, and these are noted with the description of any such service within the Schedule. In order to determine the correct claim to use for a service rendered, the necessary information is found by reviewing the *common elements*, *specific elements*, and service specific information.

No charges may be made (except to *OHIP*) for an insured service rendered to an insured person or for any of the *constituent elements* of such insured services. This is prohibited by the Act and/or the *Commitment to the Future of Medicare Act, 2004*.

Most services include as a constituent element of the service the provision of the premises, equipment, supplies, and personnel used in the performance of the common and *specific elements* of the service. This is not, however, the case for services denoted by codes marked with the prefix "#", and for services that are divided into *professional and technical components* where only the *professional component* is an insured service under the Act.

For those codes denoted with the prefix "#" and performed in a hospital, the premises, equipment, supplies, and personnel used to perform all elements of the service are funded by the hospital global budget.

For those services denoted with the prefix "#" and provided in an Integrated Community Health Services Centre (*ICHSC*), the premises, equipment, supplies, and personnel are funded under the facility costs set out in the *Integrated Community Health Services Centres Act, 2023.* 

Patients cannot be charged for the premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for services denoted with the prefix "#" rendered outside of a hospital or *ICHSC* if the premises, equipment, supplies and personnel support, assist or provide a necessary adjunct to an insured service denoted with the prefix "#" as charging a patient would be contrary to the *Integrated Community Health Services Centres Act, 2023.*]

#### COMMON ELEMENTS OF INSURED SERVICES

All insured services include the skill, time, and responsibility involved in performing, including when delegated to a non-physician in accordance with the Delegated Procedures Section (GP62) of the General Preamble, supervising the performance of the *constituent elements* of the service.

Unless otherwise specifically listed in the Schedule, the following elements are common to all insured services.

- **A.** Being available to provide follow-up insured services to the patient and arranging for coverage when not available.
- **B.** Making arrangements for appointment(s) for the insured service.

C. Travelling to and from the place(s) where any element(s) of the service is (are) performed.

#### [Commentary:

Travelling to visit an insured person outside of the usual geographical area of practice of the person making the visit is an *uninsured service* – see Regulation 552 section 24(1) paragraph 1 under the Act.]

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**D.** Obtaining and reviewing information (including history taking) from any appropriate source(s) so as to arrive at any decision(s) made in order to perform the elements of the service.

Appropriate sources include but are not limited to:

- 1. patient and *patient's representative*
- 2. patient charts and records
- 3. investigational data
- 4. physicians, pharmacists, and other health professionals
- 5. suppliers and manufacturers of drugs and devices
- 6. relevant literature and research data.
- E. Obtaining consents or delivering written consents, unless otherwise specifically listed in the Schedule.
- F. Keeping and maintaining appropriate medical records.
- **G.** Providing any medical prescriptions except where the request for this service is initiated by the patient or *patient's representative* and no related insured service is provided.
- **H.** Preparing or submitting documents or records, or providing information for use in programs administered by the *MOH*.
- I. Conferring with or providing advice, direction, information, or records to physicians and other professionals associated with the health and development of the patient.
- **J.** Such planning, preparation, and administration for the performance of the elements of the service directly attributable either to a specific patient or to a physician maintaining his/her practice, unless otherwise specifically listed in the Schedule.
- **K.** Except for services denoted by codes marked with the prefix "#", or for services that are divided into *professional and technical components* where only the *professional component* is an insured service under the Act, providing premises, equipment, supplies, and personnel for the *common elements* of the service.
- L. Waiting times associated with the provision of the service(s).

While no occasion may arise for performing elements A, B, C, D, F, G, H or K when performed in connection with the *specific elements* of a service, these are included in the service.

#### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS OF ASSESSMENTS

In addition to the *common elements*, all services which are described as assessments, or as including assessments (e.g. consultations), include the following *specific elements*:

- **A.** A direct physical encounter with the patient including taking a patient history and performing a physical examination.
- **B.** Other inquiry (including taking a patient history), carried out to arrive at an opinion as to the nature of the patient's condition, (whether such inquiry takes place before, during or after the encounter during which the physical examination takes place) and/or follow-up care.
- **C.** Performing any procedure(s) during the same encounter as the physical examination, unless the procedure(s) is(are) separately listed in the Schedule and an amount is payable for the procedure in conjunction with an assessment.

"Procedure" in this context includes obtaining specimens, preparation of the patient, interpretation of results and, unless otherwise specified, all diagnostic (including laboratory) and therapeutic (including surgical) services;

- **D.** Making arrangements for any related assessments, procedures or therapy, and/or interpreting results.
- E. Making arrangements for follow-up care.
- **F.** Discussion with, and providing advice and information, including prescribing therapy to the patient or the *patient's representative*, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to:
  - **1.** the service; and
  - 2. in circumstances in which it would be professionally appropriate that results can be reported upon prior to any further patient visit, the results of related procedure(s) and/or assessment(s).
- **G.** When medically indicated, monitoring the condition of the patient and intervening, until the next insured service is provided.
- **H.** Providing premises, equipment, supplies, and personnel for the *specific elements* of the service except for any aspect(s) that is (are) performed in a hospital or nursing *home*.

While no occasion may arise for performing elements C, D, E, G, or H, when performed in connection with the other *specific elements*, they are included in the assessment.

#### CONSULTATION

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

A consultation is an assessment rendered following a written request from a referring:

- 1. physician
- 2. nurse practitioner or
- 3. dental surgeon in connection with an insured dental procedure rendered in a hospital,

who, in light of his/her professional knowledge of the patient, requests the opinion of a physician (the "consultant physician") competent to give advice in this field because of the complexity, seriousness, or obscurity of the case, or because another opinion is requested by the patient or *patient's representative*.

#### [Commentary:

- **1.** The referring physician, *nurse practitioner* or *dental surgeon* must determine if multiple requests by a patient or the *patient's representative* to different physicians in the same specialty for the same condition are medically necessary. Services that are not medically necessary are uninsured.
- **2.** If the physician rendering the service requests a referring physician, *nurse practitioner* or *dental surgeon* to submit a consultation request for that service after the service has been provided, a consultation is not payable. The visit fee appropriate to the service rendered may be claimed.
- **3.** Where a physician who has been paid for a consultation for the patient for the same diagnosis makes a request for a referral for ongoing management of the patient, the service rendered following the referral is not payable as a consultation, except as outlined in the Virtual Care Services section under definitions, part 3, commentary 3]

A consultation includes the services necessary to enable the consultant to prepare a written report (including findings, opinions, and recommendations) to the referring physician, *nurse practitioner* or *dental surgeon.* Where the *referral* is made by a *nurse practitioner*, the consultant shall provide the report to the *nurse practitioner* and the patient's primary care provider, if applicable. Except where otherwise specified, the consultant is required to perform a general, specific or medical specific assessment, including a review of all relevant data.

The following are additional requirements for a consultation:

- **a.** A copy of the written request for the consultation, signed by the referring physician, *nurse practitioner* or *dental surgeon* must be kept in the consulting physician's medical record, except in the case of a consultation which occurs in a hospital, long-term care institution or multi-specialty clinic where common medical records are maintained. In such cases, the written request may be contained on the common medical record.
- **b.** The request identifies the consultant by name, the referring physician, *nurse practitioner* or *dental surgeon* by name and billing number, and identifies the patient by name and health number.
- **c.** The written request sets out the information relevant to the *referral* and specifies the service(s) required.

In the event these requirements are not met, the amount payable for a consultation will be reduced to a lesser assessment fee.

#### [Commentary:

The request would ordinarily also include appropriate clinical information, such as the reason for the *referral* for consultation, present and past history, physical findings and relevant test results and reports.]

#### Payment rules:

- 1. Consultations rendered to the same patient by the same physician for the same diagnosis are limited to one service per two consecutive *12 month periods* except:
  - a. When the additional consultation service(s) is a repeat consultation;
  - **b.** When a consultant has rendered a consultation service to a patient in any location and the same consultant is referred to the same patient a second time with the same diagnosis, then the number of consultations eligible for payment is a total of two services per two consecutive *12 month periods* only when:
    - i. the second consultation is rendered for a hospital inpatient or a patient in an Emergency Department; and
    - **ii.** the consultation is rendered more than 12 *months* but less than 24 *months* following the first consultation.

See the Table below.

Patient location wh consultation render	Total consultation services eligible for payment in two consecutive 12 month periods		
First consultation	Second consultation	Services rendered within first 12 months	Services rendered between 12 and 24 months
All locations	Hospital Inpatient or Emergency Department	One service	One service
All locations	All locations except hospital inpatient or Emergency Department	One service	

#### Limits on Consultation Services Rendered for the Same Problem Within Two Consecutive 12 Month Periods

- **2.** Consultations rendered to the same patient by the same consultant with a clearly defined unrelated diagnosis are limited to one service every 12 *months*.
- **3.** The amount payable for consultations will be adjusted to the amount payable for a general or specific assessment, depending upon the specialty of the consultant where:

- a. consultations are in excess of the above limits;
- b. the payment requirements of a repeat consultation are not met; or
- c. the consultation is requested by a Medical Trainee.

#### Note:

- **1.**The above limits are applicable to all consultations, including time-based and age-specific consultation services (e.g. special, extended and comprehensive consultations) but not repeat consultations.
- **2.** In the preoperative preparation of a patient undergoing the following low risk elective surgical procedures under local anaesthesia and/or I.V. sedation, a preoperative consultation by any physician is *only eligible for payment* where the medical record demonstrates the consultation is medically necessary.
  - a.cataract surgery;
  - **b.**colonoscopy;
  - c.cystoscopy;
  - d.carpal tunnel surgery; or
  - **e.**arthroscopic surgery.

#### [Commentary:

Such medically necessary consultations would be very uncommon.]

#### **REPEAT CONSULTATION**

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

A repeat consultation is an additional consultation rendered by the same consultant, in respect of the same presenting problem, following care rendered to the patient by another physician in the interval following the initial consultation but preceding the repeat consultation.

A repeat consultation has the same requirements as a consultation including the requirement for a new written request by the referring physician, *nurse practitioner* or *dental surgeon*.

#### LIMITED CONSULTATION

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

A limited consultation is a consultation which is less demanding and, in terms of time, normally requires substantially less of the physician's time than the full consultation. Otherwise, a limited consultation has the same requirements as a full consultation.

Under the heading of "Family Practice & Practice in General", a limited consultation is the service rendered by any physician who is not a *specialist*, where the service meets all the requirements for a consultation but, because of the nature of the *referral*, only those services which constitute a specific assessment are rendered.

#### EMERGENCY ROOM (ER) PHYSICIAN CONSULTATION

#### Payment rules:

- **1.** The amount payable for a consultation by an ER Physician will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee under either of the following circumstances:
  - a. the patient is referred by another ER physician in the same hospital; or
  - **b.** the service is rendered in any location other than the emergency department or other critical care area in a hospital, or to a critically ill patient in a hospital.
- 2. ER reports constitute adequate documentation of the written report of the consultation as long as the rendering of all *constituent elements* is clearly documented on all copies of the report. If the consulting physician fails to ensure that a copy of the ER report is sent to the physician or *nurse practitioner* who referred the patient, the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to the amount payable for an assessment.

#### Claims submission instruction:

Claims for ER Physician consultations are to be submitted using H055 for a *specialist* in emergency medicine (FRCP) and H065 for all other physicians.

#### SPECIAL SURGICAL CONSULTATION

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

A special surgical consultation is rendered when a surgeon provides all the appropriate elements of a regular consultation and is required to devote at least fifty minutes exclusively to the consultation with the patient.

#### [Commentary:

The calculation of the 50 minute minimum excludes time devoted to any other service or procedure for which an amount is payable in addition to the consultation.]

# CONSULTATIONS

#### **Claims submission instruction:**

Claims for special surgical consultations are to be submitted using either A935 or C935, as applicable.

#### ASSESSMENTS

Specific requirements for assessments listed in the "Consultations and Visits" section of the Schedule are set out below:

#### **GENERAL ASSESSMENT**

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

A general assessment is a service, rendered at a place other than in a patient's *home* that requires a full history (the elements of which must include a history of the presenting complaint, family medical history, past medical history, social history, and a functional inquiry into all body parts and systems), and, except for breast, genital or rectal examination where not medically indicated or refused, an examination of all body parts and systems, and *may include* a detailed examination of one or more parts or systems.

#### Payment rules:

General assessments are limited to one per patient per physician per *12 month period* unless either of the following circumstances is met in which case the limit is increased to two per *12 month period*:

- 1. the patient presents a second time with a complaint for which the diagnosis is clearly different and unrelated to the diagnosis made at the time of the first general assessment; or
- **2.** at least 90 days have elapsed since the date of the last general assessment and the second assessment is a hospital admission assessment.

The amount payable for general assessments in excess of these limits will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

#### PERIODIC HEALTH VISIT

**Definition:** A periodic health visit (including a primary or secondary school examination) is performed on a patient, after their second birthday, who presents and reveals no apparent acute physical or mental illness. The service must include an intermediate assessment, a level 2 paediatric assessment or a partial assessment focusing on age and gender appropriate history, physical examination, health screening and relevant counselling.

#### Payment rules:

Periodic health visit is limited to one per patient per 12 month period per physician.

#### [Commentary:

Periodic health visits in excess of the limit are not insured.]

#### Claims submission instruction:

Submit claims for periodic health visits using the fee codes listed below.

No diagnostic code is required unless otherwise specifically listed.

#### ASSESSMENTS

#### Family Practice & Practice in General

Code	Description
K017	child
K130	adolescent
K131	adult age 18 to 64 inclusive
K132	adult 65 years of age and older
K133	<i>adult</i> with Intellectual and Developmental Disability (IDD)

#### **Paediatrics**

Code	Description
K269	12 to 17 years
K267	2 to 11 years

#### GENERAL RE-ASSESSMENT

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

A general re-assessment includes all the services listed for a general assessment, with the exception of the patient's history, which need not include all the details already obtained in the original assessment.

#### Payment rules:

With the exception of general re-assessments rendered for hospital admissions, general reassessments are limited to two per *12 month period*, per patient per physician. The amount payable for general re-assessments in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

## PRE-DENTAL/PRE-OPERATIVE ASSESSMENTS

#### [Commentary:

For Definition and terms and conditions see page A4.]

### SPECIFIC ASSESSMENT AND MEDICAL SPECIFIC ASSESSMENT

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

Specific assessment and medical specific assessment are services rendered by *specialist*s, in a place other than a patient's *home*, and require a full history of the presenting complaint and detailed examination of the affected part(s), region(s), or system(s) needed to make a diagnosis, and/or exclude disease, and/or assess function.

#### Payment rules:

Specific assessments or medical specific assessments are limited to one per patient per physician per *12 month period* unless either of the following circumstances are met in which case the limit is increased to two per patient per physician per *12 month period*:

- 1. the patient presents a second time with a complaint for which a clearly different diagnosis is made, unrelated to the diagnosis made at the time of the first specific assessment in that *12 month period*; or
- **2.** in the case of a medical specific assessment, at least 90 days have elapsed since the date of the last specific assessment and the second assessment is a hospital admission assessment.

The amount payable for specific or medical specific assessments in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

In addition, any combination of medical specific assessments and complex medical specific reassessments (see below) are limited to 4 per patient per physician per *12 month period*. The amount payable for these services in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

#### SPECIFIC RE-ASSESSMENT AND MEDICAL SPECIFIC RE-ASSESSMENT

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

Specific re-assessment and medical specific re-assessment are services rendered by *specialist*s and require a full, relevant history and physical examination of one or more systems.

#### [Commentary:

As outlined on page GP40, admission assessments are deemed to be a specific reassessment or medical specific re-assessment under either of the following circumstances:

- **1.**for those procedures prefixed with a "Z" or noted as an *IOP*, by a surgical *specialist* who has assessed the patient prior to admission in respect of the same illness; or
- **2.** for those patients who have been assessed by a physician and subsequently admitted to the hospital for the same illness by the same physician.]

#### Payment rules:

Specific re-assessments or medical specific re-assessments are limited to two per patient per physician per consecutive *12 month period* except for specific re-assessments rendered for hospital admissions. The amount payable for specific or medical specific re-assessments in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

#### COMPLEX MEDICAL SPECIFIC RE-ASSESSMENT

#### Definition/ Required elements of service:

A complex medical specific re-assessment is a re-assessment of a patient because of the complexity, obscurity, or seriousness of the patient's condition and includes all the requirements of a medical specific re-assessment. The physician must report his/her findings, opinions, or recommendations in writing to the patient's primary care physician or the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

#### Payment rules:

Complex medical specific re-assessments are limited to 4 per patient per physician per *12 month period*. The amount payable for complex medical specific re-assessments in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

In addition, any combination of medical specific assessments and complex medical specific reassessments are limited to 4 per patient per physician per *12 month period*. The amount payable for these services in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

## PARTIAL ASSESSMENT

#### Definition/ Required elements of service:

A partial assessment is the limited service that constitutes a history of the presenting complaint, the necessary physical examination, advice to the patient and appropriate record.

#### **Chronic Disease Assessment Premium**

#### Definition/ Required elements of service:

Chronic disease assessment premium is payable in addition to the amount payable for an assessment when all of the following criteria are met:

- a. The assessment is a
  - i. medical specific assessment;
  - ii. medical specific re-assessment;
  - iii. complex medical specific re-assessment;
  - iv. partial assessment; or
  - v. level 2 paediatric assessment
- **b.** The service is rendered by a physician registered with *OHIP* as having one of the following specialty designations:

07(Geriatrics), 15(Endocrinology & Metabolism), 18(Neurology), 26(Paediatrics), 28(Pathology), 31(Physical Medicine), 34(Therapeutic Radiology), 44(Medical Oncology), 46(Infectious Disease), 47(Respiratory Disease), 48(Rheumatology), 61(Haematology), 62(Clinical Immunology).

**c.** The assessment is rendered in an office setting or an out-patient clinic located in a hospital, other than an emergency department.

#### [Commentary:

The chronic disease assessment premium is not payable for assessments rendered to inpatients of any hospital, patients seen in a long-term care facility or patients seen in an emergency department.]

**d.** The patient has an established diagnosis of a chronic disease, documented in the patient's medical record.

## ASSESSMENTS

## Payment rules:

The following is a list of the diagnostic codes as specified by *OHIP* that must accompany the claim for payment purposes:

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#### [Commentary:

The chronic disease assessment premium is not payable in situations where the diagnosis has not been established.]

## LEVEL 1 PAEDIATRIC ASSESSMENT

### Definition/Required elements of service:

A Level 1 paediatric assessment includes one or both of the following:

- **a.** a brief history and examination of the affected part or region or related to a mental or emotional disorder; or
- **b.** brief advice or information regarding health maintenance, diagnosis, treatment and/or prognosis.

## LEVEL 2 PAEDIATRIC ASSESSMENT

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

A Level 2 paediatric assessment is a paediatric service that requires a more extensive examination than a level 1 paediatric assessment. It requires a history of the presenting complaint(s), inquiry concerning, and examination of the affected part(s), region(s), system(s), or mental or emotional disorder as needed to make a diagnosis, exclude disease, and/or assess function.

A Level 2 paediatric assessment also includes well baby care, which is a periodic assessment of a well *newborn/infant* during the first two years of life including complete examination with weight and measurements, and instructions to the parent(s) or *patient's representative* regarding health care.

## INTERMEDIATE ASSESSMENT

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

An intermediate assessment is a primary care general practice service that requires a more extensive examination than a minor assessment. It requires a history of the presenting complaint(s), inquiry concerning, and examination of the affected part(s), region(s), system(s), or mental or emotional disorder as needed to make a diagnosis, exclude disease, and/or assess function.

## INTERMEDIATE ASSESSMENT – PRONOUNCEMENT OF DEATH

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

Intermediate assessment – pronouncement of death is the service of pronouncing a patient dead in a location other than in the patient's *home*. This service *may include* any counselling of relatives that is rendered during the same visit, and completion of the death certificate.

#### [Commentary:

- **1.**For pronouncement of death in the *home*, see house call assessments (page A4 of the Schedule).
- **2.**Submit the claim for this service using the diagnostic code for the underlying cause of death, as recorded on the death certificate, rather than the immediate cause of death.]

#### MINOR ASSESSMENT

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

A minor assessment includes one or both of the following:

- **a.** a brief history and examination of the affected part or region or related to a mental or emotional disorder; or
- **b.** brief advice or information regarding health maintenance, diagnosis, treatment and/or prognosis.

#### PERIODIC OCULO-VISUAL ASSESSMENT

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

A periodic oculo-visual assessment is an examination of the eye and vision system rendered primarily to determine if a patient has a simple refractive error (defined as myopia, hypermetropia, presbyopia, anisometropia or astigmatism) for patients aged 19 or less or aged 65 or more. This service includes all components required to perform the assessment (ordinarily a history of the presenting complaint, past medical history, visual acuity examination, ocular mobility examination, slit lamp examination of the anterior segment, ophthalmoscopy, tonometry) advice and/or instruction to the patient and provision of a written refractive prescription if required.

#### Payment rules:

- 1. This service is limited to one per patient per *12 month period* regardless of whether the first claim is or has been submitted for a service rendered by an optometrist or physician. Services in excess of this limit or to patients aged 20 to 64 are not insured services.
- **2.** Any other insured service rendered by the same physician (other than an ophthalmologist) to the same patient the same day as a periodic oculo-visual assessment is *not eligible for payment*.

#### [Commentary:

- **1.**Other consultation and visit codes are not to be used as a substitute for this service when the limit is reached.
- **2.**Re-assessment following a periodic oculo-visual assessment is to be claimed using a lesser assessment fee code and diagnostic code 367.]

#### FIRST VISIT BY PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN AFTER HOSPITAL DISCHARGE

E080 First visit after hospital discharge premium, to other service		
listed in payment rule 5 below	add	25.25

#### **Payment rules:**

**1.**Subject to payment rules 2 through 5, E080 is *only eligible for payment* for a visit with the patient's primary care physician in the physician's office or the patient's *home* within two *week*s of discharge following in-patient admission to an acute care hospital.

#### [Commentary:

This premium is not payable for visits rendered to patients in locations other than the physician's office or patient's *home*. As such, the premium is not payable for services rendered in places such as Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, chronic care hospitals, etc.]

- **2.**E080 is *not eligible for payment* if the admission to hospital was for the purpose of obstetrical delivery unless the mother required admission to an ICU during the hospital stay.
- **3.**E080 is *not eligible for payment* if the admission to hospital was for the purpose of *newborn* care unless the *infant* required admission to a NICU during the hospital stay.
- **4.**E080 is *not eligible for payment* if the admission to hospital was for the purpose of performing day surgery.
- **5.**E080 is *only eligible for payment* when rendered with the following services: A001, A003, A004, A007, A008, A261, A262, A263, A264, A888, A900, K004–K008, K013, K014, K022, K023, K028-K030, K032, K033, K037, K623, P003, P004, P008.

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#### DETENTION

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

Detention is payable following another insured service when a physician is required to spend considerable extra time in active treatment and/or monitoring of the patient to the exclusion of all other work and in this section is based on full 15-minute time units. The *specific elements* are those for assessments.

K001 Detention – per full quarter hour21.10Payment rules:

1. Detention is payable under the following circumstances:

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Service	Minimum time required in delivery of service before detention is payable
minor, partial, multiple systems assessment, level 1 and level 2 paediatric assessment, intermediate assessment, focused practice assessment or subsequent hospital visit	30 minutes
specific or general re-assessment	40 minutes
consultation, repeat consultation, specific or general assessment, complex dermatology assessment, complex endocrine neoplastic disease assessment, complex neuromuscular assessment, complex physiatry assessment, complex respiratory assessment, enhanced 18 <i>month</i> well baby visit, midwife or aboriginal midwife- requested anaesthesia assessment, midwife or aboriginal midwife- requested assessment, midwife or aboriginal midwife- requested assessment, midwife or aboriginal midwife- requested assessment or optometrist-requested assessment	60 minutes
initial assessment-substance abuse, special community medicine consultation, special family and general practice consultation, special optometrist-requested assessment, special <i>palliative care</i> consultation, special surgical consultation or midwife or aboriginal midwife-requested special assessment	90 minutes
comprehensive cardiology consultation, comprehensive community medicine consultation, comprehensive endocrinology consultation, comprehensive family and general practice consultation, comprehensive geriatric consultation, comprehensive infectious disease consultation, comprehensive internal medicine consultation, comprehensive midwife or aboriginal midwife- requested genetic assessment, comprehensive nephrology consultation, comprehensive respiratory disease consultation, comprehensive physical medicine and rehabilitation consultation, comprehensive rheumatology consultation, special paediatric consultation, special genetic consultation or special neurology consultation	120 minutes
extended comprehensive geriatric consultation, extended midwife or aboriginal midwife-requested genetic assessment, extended special genetic consultation, extended special paediatric consultation, or paediatric neurodevelopmental consultation	180 minutes

- 2. Detention is *not eligible for payment* in conjunction with diagnostic procedures, obstetrics, and those therapeutic procedures where the fee includes an assessment (e.g. non-*IOP* surgery).
- 3. Detention is not eligible for payment for time spent waiting.
- **4.** For the purposes of calculation of time units payable for detention, the start time commences after the minimum time required for the assessment or consultation listed in the table has passed.

**5.** K001 is *not eligible for payment* for same patient same day as A190, A191, A192 A195, A197, A198, A695, A795 or A895.

#### Claims submission instructions:

Claims for detention are assessed by a *medical consultant* on an IC basis and require the submission of a written explanation.

#### **DETENTION-IN-AMBULANCE**

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

Detention-in-Ambulance is payable for constant attendance with a patient in an ambulance, to provide all aspects of care to the patient. Time is calculated only for that period during which the physician is in constant attendance with the patient in the ambulance. The service includes an initial examination and ongoing monitoring of the patient's condition and all interventions, except in those circumstances in which the Schedule provides for separate or additional payment for the intervention.

K101	Ground ambulance transfer with patient per quarter hour or part thereof	42 10
		42.10
K111	Air ambulance transfer with patient per quarter hour or part	
	thereof	126.40
K112	Return trip without patient to place of origin following air or	
	ground ambulance transfer, per half hour or major part	
	thereof	25.05

#### Claims submission instruction:

Claims for Detention-in-Ambulance are assessed by a *medical consultant* on an IC basis and require the submission of a written explanation.

#### [Commentary:

K101 is not applicable to attendance in a vehicle other than an ambulance, in which case K001 may apply.]

### DETENTION FOR THE TRANSPORT OF DONOR ORGANS

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

Detention for the Transport of Donor Organs is payable for time travelling to and from a donor centre (excluding time spent in the donor centre) for the purpose of collecting and transporting to the recipient hospital (a) donor organ(s), including fresh bone being harvested.

K102 Per quarter hour or part thereof (not eligible for payment with	
K001)	20.20

#### Claims submission instruction:

Claims for Detention for the Transport of Donor Organs are assessed by a *medical consultant* on an IC basis and require the submission of a written explanation.

#### [Commentary:

Claims will be adjudicated on the basis of the most time-efficient means of travel to and from a donor centre.]

#### NEWBORN CARE

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

*Newborn* care is the routine care of a well *newborn* for up to the first ten days of life in hospital or *home* and includes an initial general assessment and subsequent assessments, as may be indicated, and instructions to the caregiver(s) regarding the *newborn*'s health care.

#### ASSESSMENTS

#### Payment rules:

1. *Newborn* care is limited to a maximum of one per patient except when a well baby is transferred to another hospital in which case the fee for *newborn* care may be payable to a physician at both hospitals.

#### [Commentary:

An example where this is possible is if the transfer occurred because of the state of health of the mother.]

2. Despite the requirement that to be eligible for a special visit premium the call be non-elective (see GP65), a special visit premium is payable in addition to this service if a physician is required to make an additional visit to the hospital outside of his or her normally scheduled hospital rounds to facilitate discharge of the *newborn* the same day as the visit.

#### LOW BIRTH WEIGHT BABY CARE

#### **Definition:**

Low birth weight baby care is any assessment of a well *newborn/infant* weighing less than 2.5 kilograms at birth.

#### WELL BABY CARE

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

Well baby care is a periodic assessment of a well *newborn/infant* during the first two years of life including complete examination with weight and measurements, and instructions to the parent(s) or *patient's representative* regarding health care.

#### ENHANCED 18 MONTH WELL BABY VISIT

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

Enhanced 18 *month* well baby visit is the service rendered when a physician performs all of the following in respect of a *child* from 17-24 *months* of age:

- a. Those services defined as "well baby care";
- b. An 18 month age-appropriate developmental screen; and
- **c.** Review with the patient's parent/guardian, legal representative or other caregiver of a brief standardized tool (completed by the patient's parent/guardian, legal representative or other caregiver) that aids the identification of *child*ren at risk of a developmental disorder.

#### Medical record requirements:

This service is eligible for payment only when, in addition to the medical record requirements for well baby care, an 18 *month* age-appropriate developmental screen and concerns identified from the review of the brief standardized tool with the parent/guardian, legal representative or other caregiver are recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.

#### [Commentary:

An example of an 18 *month* age-appropriate developmental screen would be that outlined in the Rourke Baby Record and an example of a brief standardized tool completed by the parent/ guardian, legal representative or other caregiver that aids the identification of *child*ren at risk of a developmental disorder would be the Nipissing District Developmental Screen or similar parental questionnaire.]

#### **PSYCHIATRIC ASSESSMENT UNDER THE MENTAL HEALTH ACT**

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

A psychiatric assessment under the *Mental Health Act* (K620, K623, K624, and K629) includes such psychiatric history, inquiry, and examination of the patient, as is appropriate, to enable the physician to complete, and includes completing, the relevant forms and to notify the patient, family, *patient representative* and relevant authorities under the *Mental Health Act*, where appropriate.

#### E-Assessments

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

An e-assessment is a service performed by a *specialist* when a primary care physician or *nurse practitioner* requests an opinion and/or recommendations from the *specialist* for management of a specific patient by providing information electronically through a secure server (e.g. secure messaging, EMR). The *specialist* is required to review all relevant data provided by the primary care physician or *nurse practitioner,* including the review of any additional information that may be submitted subsequent to the initial request. For the purpose of this service, "relevant data" *may include* family/patient history, history of the presenting complaint, laboratory and diagnostic tests, and visual images where indicated.

In addition to the *Common Elements*, E-assessments include the *specific elements* of assessments, as listed in the General Preamble, except for paragraphs A and B.

#### **Payment rules:**

- 1.E-assessments are only eligible for payment if the specialist has provided an opinion and/or recommendations for patient management to the primary care physician or nurse practitioner within 30 days from the date of the request. Where a service is requested by a nurse practitioner the consultant shall provide the report to the nurse practitioner and the patient's primary care provider, if applicable.
- 2.E-assessments are not eligible for payment to the specialist in the following circumstances
  - **a.**when the purpose of the electronic communication is to arrange for transfer of the patient's care to any physician; or
  - **b**.when rendered in whole or in part to arrange for a consultation, a different assessment, visit, or K-prefix time-based services, procedure(s), or diagnostic investigation(s); or
  - **c.**when the *specialist* renders a K-prefix time-based service for the same patient within 30 days following the request for the *specialist* e-assessment; or
  - **d**.in circumstances where the primary care physician or *specialist* receives compensation, other than by fee-for service under this Schedule, for participation in the e-assessment.
- **3.**A consultation, a different assessment or visit rendered by the *specialist* for the same patient for the same diagnosis within 60 days following the request for the *specialist* e-assessment is only payable as a specific or partial assessment, as appropriate to the service rendered.
- 4.K738 is eligible for payment to the primary care physician when this physician is required to collect additional data (for example dermatology or ophthalmology images not present in the primary care physician's records) to support the *specialist*'s e-assessment. K738 is *not eligible for payment* where existing data is already available in the primary care physician's records for submission to the *specialist*.

## [Commentary:

- **1.**Following the primary care physician's request, the *specialist* decides whether an eassessment is the most appropriate service in the circumstances. In some cases, direct patient contact or a consultation by videoconference may be more appropriate.
- **2.**Payment, other than by fee-for-service, includes compensation where the physician receives remuneration under a salary, primary care, stipend, APP or AFP model.
- **3.**Physicians who receive compensation other than by fee-for-service under this Schedule should consult their contract for guidance on shadow-billing.]

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#### Medical record requirements:

An e-assessment is *only eligible for payment* if all of the following elements are included in the patient's permanent medical record of the *specialist*:

- 1.patient's name and health number;
- 2.name of the primary care physician or nurse practitioner;
- 3. date of, and reason for, the request; and
- 4. opinion, diagnosis, advice and/or recommendations of the specialist.

#### **Claims submission instructions:**

An e-assessment is *only eligible for payment* if the *specialist* includes the primary care physician's or *nurse practitioner's* provider number with the claim.

#### Initial E-ASSESSMENT

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

Initial e-assessment is the first e-assessment performed by a particular *specialist* that is requested by the primary care physician or *nurse practitioner* for a specific patient and diagnosis where the *specialist* must review all relevant data provided by the primary care physician and provide a written opinion that includes a diagnosis and/or management advice to the primary care physician or *nurse practitioner*.

#### [Commentary:

The time and intensity of this service is the same as a regular consultation. The *specialist* may choose to return their opinion by phone, however, a written opinion must be provided electronically or by mail.]

#### **Payment rules:**

Initial e-assessments are limited to a maximum of one per patient per *specialist* per 12 *month period* unless the primary care physician or *nurse practitioner* makes a second request in relation to a complaint for which a clearly different diagnosis is made, unrelated to the diagnosis made at the time of the first e-assessment in that same 12 *month period*, in which case the limit is increased to a maximum of two per patient per *specialist* per 12 *month period*.

#### [Commentary:

If a subsequent e-assessment is related to the diagnosis made at the time of the initial eassessment, then this service is payable as a repeat e-assessment, follow-up e-assessment or minor e-assessment as appropriate to the service rendered.]

#### repeat E-ASSESSMENT

#### **Definition/ Required elements of service:**

Repeat e-assessment is the first e-assessment performed by a particular *specialist* following an initial e-assessment or consultation by that *specialist* that is requested by the primary care physician or *nurse practitioner* for the same diagnosis where the *specialist* must review all relevant data provided by the primary care physician or *nurse practitioner* and provide an opinion that includes management advice to the primary care physician or *nurse practitioner*.

#### [Commentary:

The time and intensity of this service is the same as a specific assessment. The *specialist* may choose to return their opinion by phone.]

#### **Payment rules:**

Repeat e-assessments are limited to a maximum of one per patient per physician per *12 month period* unless the primary care physician or *nurse practitioner* makes a second request in relation to a complaint for which a clearly different diagnosis is made, unrelated to the diagnosis made at the time of the first e- assessment in that same *12 month period*, in which case the limit is increased to a maximum of two per patient per physician per *12 month period*.

#### Follow-up E-ASSESSMENT

#### Definition/ Required elements of service:

A follow-up e-assessment is the limited e-assessment rendered for follow-up by the *specialist* who has previously rendered any insured service to the patient for the same diagnosis. The *specialist* must review all relevant information submitted and provide an opinion and/or management advice to the primary care physician or *nurse practitioner*.

#### [Commentary:

The time and intensity of the service is the same as a partial assessment. The *specialist* may choose to return their opinion by phone.]

#### Payment rules:

Follow-up e-assessment is limited to a maximum of:

1. one (1) service per patient per day, same physician;

2. four (4) services per patient same physician per 12 month period; and

3. one thousand (1000) services per physician per 12 month period.

#### MINOR E-ASSESSMENT

#### Definition/ Required elements of service:

A minor e-assessment is a brief e-assessment rendered by the *specialist*. The *specialist* must review all relevant information submitted and provide an answer to the primary care physician's or *nurse practitioner's* specific clinical question.

#### Payment rules:

Minor e-assessment is limited to a maximum of:

1.one (1) service per patient per day, same physician;

2.twelve (12) services per patient same physician per 12 month period; and

3.two thousand (2000) services per physician per 12 month period.

#### [Commentary:

A minor e-assessment is where the primary care physician or *nurse practitioner* may ask a specific question related to the patient where the information provided is limited and the question asked is very specific. An example is where the primary care physician has initiated a treatment recommended by the *specialist*, and the primary care physician requests a brief email response related to proper dosing adjustments. One service *may include* multiple emails. The *specialist* may choose to return their opinion by phone.]

## HOSPITAL AND INSTITUTIONAL CONSULTATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS

# ACUTE CARE HOSPITAL – NON-EMERGENCY IN-PATIENT SERVICES ("C" PREFIX SERVICES)

### A. Admission Assessment – General Requirements

#### **Definition:**

- **a.** An admission assessment is the initial assessment of the patient rendered for the purpose of admitting a patient to hospital.
- **b.** The admitting physician is the physician who renders the admission assessment.

#### Payment rules:

- 1. Except as outlined below in paragraph 3, when the admitting physician has not previously assessed the patient for the same presenting illness within 90 days of the admission assessment, the admission assessment constitutes a consultation, general or medical specific or specific assessment depending on the specialty of the physician, the nature of the service rendered and any applicable payment rules.
- 2. Except as outlined below in paragraph 3, if the admitting physician has previously assessed the patient for the same presenting illness within 90 days of the admission assessment, the admission assessment constitutes a general re-assessment or specific re-assessment depending on the specialty of the physician, the nature of the service rendered and any applicable payment rules.
- **3.** When a hospital in-patient is transferred from one physician to another physician, only one consultation, general or specific assessment or reassessment is eligible for payment per patient admission. The amount eligible for payment for services in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee. An additional admission assessment is *not eligible for payment* when a hospital inpatient is transferred from one physician to another physician within the same hospital.

## Admission Assessments by Specialists:

When a patient has been assessed by a *specialist* in the emergency room (ER) or out-patient department (OPD) and that physician renders a service described as a consultation, specific assessment, or medical specific assessment and subsequently admits the patient to hospital, the initial consultation, specific, or medical specific assessment constitutes the admission assessment.

When a patient has been assessed by a *specialist* in the ER or OPD, and that physician renders any other assessment other than those listed in the paragraph immediately above, and that physician subsequently admits the patient to hospital, an admission assessment is eligible for payment in addition to the initial assessment, if each service is rendered separately.

## [Commentary:

In accordance with the surgical preamble, a hospital admission assessment by the surgeon is *not eligible for payment*, unless it is the "major pre-operative visit" (i.e., the consultation or assessment which may be claimed when the decision to operate is made and the operation is scheduled).]

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#### Admission Assessments by General and Family Practitioners:

When a patient has been assessed by a general or family practitioner in the emergency room (ER) or out-patient department (OPD) and that physician renders a service described as a consultation, general assessment, or general re-assessment and subsequently admits the patient to hospital, the initial consultation, general assessment, general re-assessment constitutes the admission assessment.

When a patient has been assessed by a general or family practitioner in the ER or OPD and that physician renders any other assessment other than those listed in the paragraph immediately above, and subsequently admits the patient to hospital, an admission assessment is eligible for payment in addition to the initial assessment, if each assessment is rendered separately.

## Payment rules:

A933/C933/C003/C004 are *not eligible for payment* for an admission assessment for an elective surgery patient when a pre-operative assessment has been rendered to the same patient within 30 days of admission by the same physician.

# Admission Assessments by General and Family Practitioners in an Emergency Department Funded under an Emergency Department Alternative Funding Agreement:

When a patient has been assessed by the patient's general or family practitioner in an emergency room and that physician subsequently admits the patient to hospital, the General/Family Physician Emergency Department Assessment constitutes the admission assessment if the physician remains the *most responsible physician* for the patient.

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## Admission Assessments by Emergency Physicians:

When a patient has been assessed by an emergency physician in the ER or OPD and that physician renders a service described as a consultation, general assessment, or general re-assessment and subsequently admits the patient to hospital as the *most responsible physician* or that physician is asked to perform the admission assessment (even though the patient is admitted under a different *most responsible physician*), the initial consultation, general assessment, or general re-assessment constitutes the admission assessment.

When a patient has been assessed by an emergency physician in the ER or OPD and that physician renders any other assessment other than those listed in the paragraph immediately above, and subsequently renders the admission assessment, (even if the patient is admitted under a different *most responsible physician*), the admission assessment is payable as C004, in addition to the initial assessment, if both services are rendered separately.

## Admission Assessment by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP) Premium

E082 Admission assessment by the MRP, to admission

assessment ..... add 30%

## Payment rules:

- **1.**E082 is *only eligible for payment* once per patient per hospital admission.
- 2.E082 is only eligible for payment:
  - **a.** if the physician establishes that he or she does not receive any direct or indirect remuneration from a hospital or hospital foundation for rendering in-patient clinical services; or
  - **b**.where the physician receives any direct or indirect remuneration from a hospital or hospital foundation for rendering in-patient clinical services, if the physician establishes that such remuneration has been reduced by an amount equal to the amount that would be eligible for payment to the physician had he or she not received any such direct or indirect remuneration.
- 3.E082 is not eligible for payment for transfers within the same hospital.
- **4.**E082 is not applicable to any other service or premium.

## [Commentary:

- **1.**E082 is *only eligible for payment* when the admitting physician is the *MRP*. If the *MRP* does not render the admission assessment, E082 is *not eligible for payment* for any service rendered by any physician during that hospital admission.
- **2.**E082 is *not eligible for payment* for a patient admitted for obstetrical delivery or for a *newborn*.
- 3.E082 is not applicable for any consultation or assessment related to day surgery.]

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#### **B. Subsequent Visit**

### Definition:

A subsequent visit is any routine assessment in hospital following the hospital admission assessment.

**Attendance at Surgery:** If, in the interest of the patient, the referring physician is asked to be present by the patient or the *patient's representative*, but does not assist at the procedure, the attendance at surgery by the referring physician constitutes a hospital subsequent visit.

**Multidisciplinary care:** Except where a single service for a team of physicians is listed in this Schedule (e.g. the *week*ly team fee for dialysis), when the complexity of the medical condition requires the services of several physicians in different disciplines, each physician visit constitutes a subsequent visit.

#### Payment rules:

- 1. Except in the circumstances outlined in paragraphs 2 and 3, or when a patient is referred from one physician to another (see Claims submission instruction below), subsequent visits are limited to one per patient, per day for the first 5 *weeks* after admission, 3 visits per *week* from 6 to 13 *weeks* after admission, and 6 visits per *month* after 13 *weeks*. Services in excess of the limit are *not eligible for payment*.
- 2. After 5 weeks of hospitalization, any assessment in hospital required as a result of an acute intercurrent illness in excess of the weekly or monthly limits set out above constitutes C121 "additional visit due to intercurrent illness". The weekly or monthly limits set out above do not apply to additional visits due to intercurrent illness.
- **3.** Pediatric subsequent visits (C262) are limited to one per patient, per day for the duration of the admission.
- **4.** When a physician is already in the hospital and assesses one of his/her own patients or patients transferred to his/her care, the service constitutes a subsequent visit. If a physician assesses another physician's patient on an emergency basis, the General Listings ("A" prefix) apply.

#### Claims submission instruction:

When a hospital in-patient is referred from one physician to another physician, the date the second physician assessed the patient for the first time is considered the "admission date" for the purposes of determining the appropriate subsequent visit fee code.

#### [Commentary:

When a hospital in-patient is transferred from one physician to another physician, subsequent visits by the second physician are calculated based on the actual admission date of the patient.]

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**C. S**ubsequent visit by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)

## Subsequent visit by the MRP – day following the hospital admission assessment (C122)

#### Definition:

Subsequent visit by the *MRP* - day following the hospital admission assessment is payable to the physician identified as the patient's *MRP* for rendering a subsequent visit on this day.

# Subsequent visit by the MRP – second day following the hospital admission assessment (C123)

## **Definition:**

Subsequent visit by the *MRP* - second day following the hospital admission assessment is payable to the physician identified as the patient's *MRP* for rendering a subsequent visit on this day.

#### Payment rules:

1. C122, C123 are limited to a maximum of one each per hospital admission.

#### [Commentary:

C122, C123 are only payable for visits rendered by the *MRP*. Services rendered by physicians who are not the *MRP* may be payable at a lesser visit fee.]

- 2. C122, C123 are not eligible for payment:
  - **a.** when rendered to the same patient the same day as C124 (Subsequent visit by the *MRP* day of discharge);
  - b. for a patient admitted for obstetrical delivery or newborn care; or
  - c. for any visit rendered by a surgeon during the 2 days prior to non-Z prefix surgery.
- **3.** C122, C123 are not payable for a subsequent visit rendered by a surgeon to a hospital inpatient following non-Z prefix surgery.

#### [Commentary:

The first and second post-operative visits by the surgeon to a hospital in-patient following non-Z prefix surgery constitute post-operative visits payable at the appropriate specialty specific subsequent visit fee.]

- **4.** When a patient is transferred to another physician within the same hospital during either of these days, C122 or C123 are only payable to the physician who was the *MRP* for the majority of the day.
- **5.** When a patient is transferred to another physician at a different hospital, the day of transfer shall be deemed for payment purposes to be the day of admission.
- **6.** Only one of C122 or C142 is eligible for payment for the same patient during the same hospital admission. Only one of C123 or C143 is eligible for payment for the same patient during the same hospital admission.

## [Commentary:

For first and second subsequent visits by the *MRP* following transfer from an Intensive Care Area (C142, C143), see General Preamble page GP46.]

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## Subsequent visit by the MRP - day of discharge (C124)

## Definition/Required elements of service:

Subsequent visit by the *MRP* – day of discharge is payable to the physician identified as the *MRP* for rendering a subsequent visit on the day of discharge, and, in addition, requires completion of the discharge summary by the physician within 48 hours of discharge, arranging for follow-up of the patient (as appropriate) and prescription of discharge medications if any.

The discharge summary must include as a minimum the following information:

- **a.** reason for admission;
- **b.** procedures performed during the hospitalization;
- c. discharge diagnosis; and
- **d.** medications on discharge.

## Payment rules:

**1.**C124 is only payable to the *MRP* and limited to one service per hospital admission.

- **2.**C124 is *not eligible for payment* under any of the following circumstances:
  - **a.** The patient was discharged within 48 hours of admission to hospital (calculated from the actual date of admission to hospital);
  - **b.**The admission was for obstetrical delivery unless the mother required admission to an ICU, with subsequent transfer and discharge from another unit within the hospital during the hospital stay;
  - **c.**The admission was for *newborn* care unless the *infant* was admitted to a NICU, with subsequent transfer and discharge from another unit within the hospital during the hospital stay;
  - d.For transfers within the same hospital; or
  - **e.**For discharges directly from a NICU or ICU where NICU or ICU critical care per diem services were rendered the same day.

## [Commentary:

In the case of conflicting claims for this service, the physician to whom the patient has rostered (virtual or actual) may receive the payment for the service.]

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**D.** First subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area

## First subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area (C142)

### **Definition:**

First subsequent visit by the *MRP* following patient's transfer from an Intensive Care Area (including Neonatal Intensive Care) where the patient was receiving Critical Care, Ventilatory Support, Comprehensive Care or Neonatal Intensive Care services immediately prior to the time of the transfer to an acute care hospital bed in the same hospital.

# Second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area (C143)

## Definition:

Second subsequent visit by the *MRP* following patient's transfer from an Intensive Care Area (including Neonatal Intensive Care) where the patient was receiving Critical Care, Ventilatory Support, Comprehensive Care or Neonatal Intensive Care services immediately prior to the time of the transfer to an acute care hospital bed in the same hospital.

#### Payment rules:

**1.** C142, C143 are limited to a maximum of one each per hospital admission.

## [Commentary:

**1.**C142, C143 are only payable for visits rendered by the *MRP*. Services rendered by physicians who are not the *MRP* may be eligible for payment at a lesser visit fee.

- **2.**C142 or C143 are *not eligible for payment* for visits rendered to patients who were in an Intensive Care Area only for monitoring purposes.]
- 2. C142, C143 are *not eligible for payment* to the same physician who rendered Critical Care, Ventilatory Support, Comprehensive Care or Neonatal Intensive Care services prior to the patient's transfer.
- **3.** Only one of C122 or C142 is eligible for payment for the same patient during the same hospital admission. Only one of C123 or C143 is eligible for payment for the same patient during the same hospital admission.

## [Commentary:

For Subsequent visit by the *MRP* – first and second day following the hospital admission assessment (C122, C123), see General Preamble page GP44.]

- 4. C142, C143 are not eligible for payment:
  - **a.** when rendered to the same patient the same day as C124 (Subsequent visit by the *MRP* day of discharge), or
  - **b.** for any visit rendered by a surgeon during the 2 days prior to non-Z prefix surgery.
- **5.** C142, C143 are not payable for visits rendered by a surgeon to a hospital in-patient in the first two *week*s following non-Z prefix surgery.

## [Commentary:

The first and second post-operative visits by the surgeon to a hospital in-patient following non-Z prefix surgery constitute post-operative visits payable at the appropriate specialty specific subsequent visit fee.]

**6.** When a patient is transferred to another physician within the same hospital, C142 or C143 are only payable to the physician who was the *MRP* for the majority of the day of the transfer.

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## E. Subsequent visit and palliative care visit by the MRP premium

- E083 Subsequent visit by the MRP, to subsequent visits and C122, C123, C124, C142, C143, C882 or C982..... add 30%
- E084 Saturday, Sunday or *Holiday* subsequent visit by the MRP, to subsequent visits and C122, C123, C124, C142, C143, C882 or C982.....Add 45%

### Payment rules:

- **1.**E084 is *only eligible for payment* for subsequent visits provided on Saturdays, Sundays and *holidays*.
- 2. Only one of E083 or E084 is *eligible for payment* per patient per day.
- 3.E084 is only eligible for payment when the MRP is from one of the following specialties: 00 (Family Practice and Practice in General), 02 (Dermatology), 07 (Geriatrics), 11 (Critical Care Medicine), 12 (Emergency Medicine), 13 (Internal Medicine), 15 (Endocrinology & Metabolism), 16 (Nephrology), 18 (Neurology), 19 (Psychiatry), 22 (Genetics), 26 (Paediatrics), 28 (Pathology), 31 (Physical Medicine), 34 (Radiation Oncology), 41 (Gastroenterology), 44 (Medical Oncology), 46 (Infectious Disease), 47 (Respiratory Disease), 48 (Rheumatology), 60 (Cardiology), 61 (Haematology), 62 (Clinical Immunology).
- **4.**E083 or E084 are only eligible for payment:
  - **a.**if the physician establishes that he or she does not receive any direct or indirect remuneration from a hospital or hospital foundation for rendering in-patient clinical services; or
  - **b**.where the physician receives any direct or indirect remuneration from a hospital or hospital foundation for rendering in-patient clinical services, if the physician establishes that such remuneration has been reduced by an amount equal to the amount that would be eligible for payment to the physician had he or she not received any such direct or indirect remuneration.
- **5.**E083 or E084 are *not eligible for payment* for *palliative care* visits to patients in designated *palliative care* beds in Long-Term Care Institutions.
- 6.E083 or E084 are not applicable to any other service or premium.

## [Commentary:

- **1.**E083 or E084 are *only eligible for payment* with subsequent visits and *palliative care* visits rendered by the *MRP*.
- **2.**Examples of subsequent visits eligible for payment with E083 are C002, C007, C009, C132, C137, C139, C032, C037 or C039. Examples of subsequent visits eligible for payment with E084 are C002, C007, C009, C132, C137, C139, C152, C157 or C159.
- 3.E083 or E084 are not eligible for payment with C121 additional visits for intercurrent illness.]

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#### F. Concurrent Care

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

Concurrent care is any routine assessment rendered in hospital by the consultant following the consultant's first major assessment of the patient when the family physician remains the *most responsible physician* but the latter requests continued directive care by the consultant.

#### Payment rules:

Claims for concurrent care are limited to 4 per *week* during the first *week* of concurrent care, and 2 claims per *week* thereafter. Services in excess of this limit are *not eligible for payment*.

#### G. Supportive Care

#### Definition:

Supportive care is any routine visit rendered in hospital by the family physician who is not actively treating the case where:

- a. the patient is under the care of another physician;
- b. the supportive care is rendered at the request of the patient or family; and
- c. the care is provided for purposes of liaison or reassurance.

#### Payment rules:

Claims for supportive care are limited to 4 per *week* during the first *week* of supportive care, determined from the date of the first supportive visit, and 2 claims per *week* thereafter. Services in excess of this limit are *not eligible for payment*.

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## LONG-TERM CARE INSTITUTION: NON-EMERGENCY IN-PATIENT SERVICES

## ("W" PREFIX SERVICES)

These services apply to patients in chronic care hospitals, convalescent hospitals, nursing *homes*, *homes* for the aged and designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds - "W" prefix services.

#### A. Admission Assessment

### **Type 1 Admission Assessment**

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

A Type 1 admission assessment is a general assessment rendered to a patient on admission.

#### Payment rules:

If the physician has rendered a consultation, general assessment, or general re-assessment of the patient prior to admission, the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to a lesser fee.

#### **Type 2 Admission Assessment**

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

A Type 2 admission assessment occurs when the admitting physician makes an initial visit to assess the condition of the patient following admission and has previously rendered a consultation, general assessment or general re-assessment of the patient prior to admission.

## Type 3 Admission Assessment

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

A Type 3 admission assessment is a general re-assessment of a patient who is re-admitted to the long-term care institution after a minimum 3 day stay in another institution.

## **B. Subsequent Visit**

#### **Definition:**

A subsequent visit is any routine assessment following the patient's admission to a long-term care institution.

#### Payment rules:

Claims for these subsequent visits are subject to the limits described with each individual service as found under the applicable specialty in the Consultations and Visits section.

#### **Claims submission instructions:**

1. Submit claims for acute intercurrent illnesses requiring visits other than special visits using W121. When acute intercurrent illness requires a special visit, submit claims using the appropriate fees under General Listings ("A" prefix) and premiums.

#### [Commentary:

Claims for W121 are payable for visits for acute intercurrent illness whenever rendered. Such claims are not dependent on whether the *month*ly limit on the number of subsequent visits has been reached.]

2. When a physician is already in the institution and is asked to assess one of his/her own inpatients, the subsequent visit listings ("W" prefix) apply. However, if he/she is already in the institution and asked to assess another physician's patient on an emergency basis, submit claims using the General Listings ("A" prefix).

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## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT - "H" PREFIX EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT SERVICES

For the purpose of emergency department – "H" prefix emergency department services:

"Hospital Urgent Care Clinic" means a clinic operated by a hospital corporation that provides services similar to some or all of those provided by an emergency department but that is open to the public for less than 24 hours in any given 24 hour period.

"Emergency Department Physician" means a physician:

- **a.** working in a hospital emergency department specifically for the purpose of rendering services to unscheduled patients who attend the emergency department to receive physician services; or
- **b.** working in a Hospital Urgent Care Clinic specifically for the purpose of rendering services to unscheduled patients who attend the Hospital Urgent Care Clinic to receive physician services.

There are specific "H" prefix listings (H1 – codes) for consultations, multiple systems assessments, minor assessments, comprehensive assessment and care and re-assessments rendered by the Emergency Department Physician. With the exception of the consultation fee (where a specific fee code exists for a *specialist* in emergency medicine), any physician on duty (regardless of speciality) in the emergency department must submit using these listings.

The "H" prefix listings under the heading, "Emergency Department Physician" on pages A12, A13 in the Consultations and Visits section of the Schedule, apply in the following circumstances:

- **a.** when a full- or part-time Emergency Department Physician is working for a pre-arranged designated period of time or shift; or
- **b.** for services rendered by an on-call physician where the service does not qualify for claiming a special visit premium.

## PALLIATIVE CARE ASSESSMENT

**Definition**: A palliative care assessment is any routine assessment rendered by the most responsible physician for the purpose of providing palliative care to a patient other than one in a designated palliative care bed at the time the assessment was rendered.

#### Claims submission instruction:

Submit claims for *palliative care* visits, other than those in designated *palliative care* beds, using the appropriate "C" or "W" prefix *palliative care* fee schedule codes.

## [Commentary:

- **1.***Palliative care* visits to patients in designated *palliative care* beds, regardless of facility type, are to be claimed using C882 or C982, as applicable.
- **2.** Services rendered to patients whose unexpected death occurs after prolonged hospitalization for another diagnosis unrelated to the cause of death do not constitute *palliative care* assessments.]

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## MONTHLY MANAGEMENT OF A NURSING HOME OR HOME FOR THE AGED PATIENT

## **Definition/Required Elements of Service:**

*Month*ly Management of a Nursing *Home* or *Home* for the Aged Patient is the provision by the *most responsible physician* (*MRP*) of routine medical care, management and supervision of a patient in a nursing *home* or *home* for the aged for one calendar *month*. The service requires a minimum of two assessments of the patient each *month*, where these assessments constitute services described as "W" prefix assessments.

The requirements above are subject to the exceptions as described in payment rule #8.

## [Commentary:

As with all services described as assessments, direct physical encounter with the patient is required.]

In addition to the *common elements*, this service includes the provision of the following services by any physician to the same patient during the *month*.

- A. Services described by subsequent visits (e.g. W003, W008).
- **B.** Services described by additional visits due to "intercurrent illness" (W121) except if the conditions described in Payment rule #7 are satisfied.
- C. Services described by *palliative care* subsequent visits (e.g. W872).
- **D.** Services described by admission assessments (e.g. W102, W104, W107).
- **E.** Services described by pre-dental/pre-operative assessments (e.g. W903).
- F. Services described by periodic health visit or general re-assessments (e.g. W109, W004).
- **G.** Services described by visit for pronouncement of death (W777) or certification of death (W771) except if the services are performed in conjunction with a special visit.
- H. Service described by anticoagulation supervision (G271).
- I. Completion of CCAC application and *home* care supervision (K070, K071, K072).
- J. Services described by the following diagnostic and therapeutic procedures venipuncture (G489), injection (G372, G373), immunization (G538, G590), Pap smear (G365, G394, E430, E431), intravenous (G379), and laboratory test codes (G001, G002, G481, G004, G005, G009, G010, G011, G012, G014).
- K. All medication reviews.
- L. All discussions with the staff of the institution related to the patient's care.
- M.All telephone calls from the staff of the institution, patient, patient's relative(s) or patient's representative in respect of the patient between the hours of 0700 hours and 1700 hours Monday to Friday (excluding *holidays*).
- **N.** Ontario Drug Benefit Limited Use prescriptions/forms or Section 8 *Ontario Drug Benefits Act* requests.

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#### Payment rules:

- **1.** Except as outlined in payment rule #8, this service is *only eligible for payment* once per patient per calendar *month*.
- 2. This service is only eligible for payment to the MRP.
- **3.** When W010 is rendered, none of the services listed as a component of W010 and rendered to the patient by any physician during the *month* are eligible for payment.
- **4.** In the temporary absence of the patient's *MRP* (e.g. while that physician is on vacation), W010 remains payable to the patient's *MRP* if the service is performed by another physician.
- **5.** In the event the *MRP* renders one "W" prefix assessment in a calendar *month* and the same physician has rendered W010 to that patient within the previous 11-*month* period, only that "W" prefix assessment in that *month* is eligible for payment.
- **6.** In the event the *MRP* renders two, three or four "W" prefix assessments in a calendar *month* and the same physician has rendered W010 to that patient within the previous 11*-month* period, only W010 is eligible for payment.
- 7. In the event the *MRP* renders more than four "W" prefix assessments to the same patient in a *month* and the same physician has rendered W010 to that patient within the previous 11-*month* period, any subsequent visits for intercurrent illness rendered by the *MRP* to the same patient in excess of four in a *month* are payable as W121 in addition to payment of W010.
- **8.** Despite the definition set out above, the requirements of W010 are met when less than two "W" prefix assessments were rendered during the *month* and/or when the patient was not in the institution for a full calendar *month* if:
  - **a.** a patient was newly admitted to the institution and an admission assessment was rendered; or
  - **b.** in the event of the death of a patient while in the institution or within 48 hours of transfer to hospital.
- **9.** Age related premiums otherwise applicable to any component service of W010 are *not eligible for payment* in addition to W010.

#### **Claims submission instructions:**

**1.** Claims for W010 may be submitted when the minimum required elements of the service have been rendered for the *month*.

#### [Commentary:

- **a.**Payment for W010 is for mangement of the patient for the entire *month* for all the services listed as components of the W010 service, regardless of when the claim for W010 is submitted.
- **b**.When claiming W010, do not also submit claims for "W" prefix services listed as components of the W010 for the same *month*.]
- **2.** The admission date of the patient must be provided on the claim for W010 or the service is *not eligible for payment.* 
  - **a.** Submit claims for W121 which meet the requirements outlined in payment rule #7 using the manual review indicator.

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## [Commentary:

Examples of services not included in the *Month*ly Management fee include:

- **a.**visits which qualify for a special visit premium.
- **b**.services described under interviews, psychotherapy or counselling with the patient, patient's relative(s) or *patient's representative* lasting 20 or more minutes and where all other criteria for these services are met.
- c.services described as physician to physician telephone consultations.
- **d**.services rendered by a *specialist* who is not the *MRP* or who is not replacing an absent *MRP*.]

## PSYCHOTHERAPY, PSYCHIATRIC AND COUNSELLING SERVICES

## SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

In addition to the *common elements*, all Psychotherapy, Hypnotherapy, Counselling, Primary Mental Health, and Psychiatric Care include the following *specific elements*.

- A. Performing the appropriate therapy or interaction (described below) with the patient(s) or, in the case of K014, K015, and H313, the patient's relative(s) or *patient's representative*, which *may include* the appropriate inquires (including obtaining a patient history, and a brief physical examination) carried out in order to arrive at an opinion as to the nature of the patient's condition (whether such inquiry takes place before, during or after the encounter during which the therapy or other interaction takes place); any appropriate procedure(s), related service(s), and/or follow-up care.
- **B.** Performing any procedure(s) during the same encounter as the therapy or other interaction unless the procedure(s) is(are) separately listed in the Schedule and an amount is payable for the procedure in conjunction with the therapy or interaction.
- C. Making arrangements for any related assessments, procedures, or therapy.
- D. Making arrangements for follow-up care.
- **E.** Discussion with, and providing advice and information, including prescribing therapy to the patient or the *patient's representative*, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to:
  - **a.** the service; and
  - **b.** in circumstances in which it would be professionally appropriate that results can be reported upon prior to any further patient visit, the results of related procedure(s) and/or assessment(s).
- **F.** When medically indicated, monitoring the condition of the patient and intervening, until the next insured service is rendered.
- **G.** Providing premises, equipment, supplies, and personnel for the *specific elements* of the service.

While no occasion may arise for performing elements B, C, D and F, when performed in connection with the other *specific elements* they are included in the service.

#### Payment rules:

1. These services are calculated and payable in time units of 30 minute increments. In calculating the time unit(s), the minimum time required in direct contact with the patient (or patient's relative or *patient's representative* as the case may be) and the physician in person is as follows:

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# Units	Minimum Time with Patient
1 unit	20 minutes
2 units	46 minutes
3 units	76 minutes [1h 16m]
4 units	106 minutes [1h 46m]
5 units	136 minutes [2h 16m]
6 units	166 minutes [2h 46m]
7 units	196 minutes [3h 16m]
8 units	226 minutes [3h 46m]

- 2. Except for in-patient individual psychotherapy by a psychiatrist or in-patient individual psychiatric care for which the time can be consecutive or non-consecutive, for all other services in this section the time units must be calculated based upon consecutive time spent rendering the service.
- **3.** Psychotherapy performed outside a hospital, psychiatric care, primary mental health care, or hypnotherapy rendered the same day as a consultation or other assessment by the same physician to the same patient is *not eligible for payment* unless there are clearly defined different diagnoses for the two services.

#### [Commentary:

Except as noted in payment rule #2 (where non-consecutive services can be cumulated), services less than 20 minutes do not constitute any of the services defined in this section and constitute the type of assessment rendered in the circumstances.]

## **PSYCHOTHERAPY, PSYCHIATRIC AND COUNSELLING SERVICES**

## PSYCHOTHERAPY/FAMILY PSYCHOTHERAPY

## **Definition:**

Psychotherapy is any form of treatment for mental illness, behavioural maladaptations, and/or other problems that are assumed to be of an emotional nature, where a physician deliberately establishes a professional relationship with a patient with the purpose of removing, modifying or retarding existing symptoms, or attenuating or reversing disturbed patterns of behaviour, and of promoting positive personality growth and development.

Family psychotherapy is psychotherapy rendered to the patient in the presence of one or more members of the patient's household.

#### Payment rules:

- **1.** Psychotherapy is *not eligible for payment* when rendered on the same day to the same patient by the same physician as obstetrical delivery.
- 2. Subsequent visits rendered by the same psychiatrist to the same patient on the same day as inpatient individual psychotherapy are *not eligible for payment*.

## PSYCHIATRIC CARE/FAMILY PSYCHIATRIC CARE/PRIMARY MENTAL HEALTH CARE

## **Definition:**

Psychiatric care/family psychiatric care/primary mental health care are services encompassing any combination or form of assessment and treatment by a physician for mental illness, behavioural maladaptations, and/or other problems that are assumed to be of an emotional nature, where there is consideration of the patient's biological and psychosocial functioning.

Family psychiatric care is psychiatric care of the patient carried out by the physician in the presence of one or more family members or in the presence of professional caregivers not on staff at the facility where the patient is receiving the care.

## Payment rules:

Subsequent visits rendered by the same psychiatrist to the same patient on the same day as individual in-patient psychiatric care are *not eligible for payment*.

## FOCUSED PRACTICE PSYCHOTHERAPY PREMIUM

The focused practice psychotherapy premium is payable automatically to an eligible physician subject to the definitions and rules described below.

## **Definitions:**

"Qualifying services" means K004A, K006A, K007A, K010A, K012A, K019A, K020A, K024A K025A, K122A and K123A.

"Fiscal year" means April 1 - March 31st.

"Qualifying year" means the *fiscal year* preceding the date of determination of eligibility.

"Date of determination of eligibility" means the date upon which the General Manager determines that the conditions for payment in (1) or (2) below, have been met.

"All payments" means all payments made to the physician for insured services listed in this Schedule other than payments made for insured services listed in this Schedule for which a technical fee is payable.

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#### Payment rules:

For the *12 month period* following the date of determination of eligibility for the premium, the amount payable to a physician shall be automatically increased by 17% for each of the following services rendered by the physician: K004, K006, K007, K010, K012, K019, K020, K024, and K025, in the following circumstances:

- 1. when the sum of all payments made to the physician for the qualifying services rendered in the qualifying year exceeds 50% of the sum of all payments made to the physician in the qualifying year; or
- 2. when the sum of all payments made to the physician for the qualifying services rendered in the qualifying year is at least 40% but not more than 49% of the sum of all payments made to the physician in the qualifying year and the requirements set out in (1.) were met by the physician in respect of the *fiscal year* preceding the qualifying year.

#### [Commentary:

While K122 and K123 are qualifying services for the purpose of determining eligibility for the focused practice psychotherapy premium, the premium is not payable for K122 and K123.]

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## HYPNOTHERAPY

#### **Definition:**

Hypnotherapy is a form of treatment that has the same goals as psychotherapy but is rendered with the patient under hypnosis.

#### Payment rules:

Hypnotherapy is *not eligible for payment* when rendered on the same day to the same patient by the same physician as obstetrical delivery.

#### COUNSELLING

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

Counselling is a patient visit dedicated solely to an educational dialogue with a physician. This service is rendered for the purpose of developing awareness of the patient's problems or situation and of modalities for prevention and/or treatment, and to provide advice and information in respect of diagnosis, treatment, health maintenance and prevention.

#### [Commentary:

- **1.**Advice given to a patient that would ordinarily constitute part of a consultation, assessment, or other treatment, is included as a common or constituent element of the other service, and does not constitute counselling.
- **2.**Detention time may be payable following a consultation or assessment when a physician is required to spend considerable extra time in treatment or monitoring of the patient. See GP29 for further information.]

#### Payment rules:

- With the exception of the codes listed in the below, no other services are eligible for payment when rendered by the same physician the same day as any type of counselling service: E080, G010, G039, G040, G041, G042, G043, G202, G205, G365, G372, G384, G385, G394, G462, G480, G489, G482, G538, G590, G593, G840, G841, G842, G843, G844, G845, G846, G847, G848, H313, K002, K003, K008, K014, K015, K031, K035, K036, K038, K682, K683, K684, K730
- 2. Individual and group counselling services are limited to 3 units per patient per physician per year at the higher fee (K013 or K040 respectively); the amount payable for services rendered in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser fee (K033 or K041 respectively).
- **3.** If the patient does not have a pre-booked appointment, the amount payable for this service will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

#### A. Individual Counselling

#### Definition:

Individual counselling is counselling rendered to a single patient.

#### B. Group Counselling

#### Definition:

Group Counselling is counselling rendered to two or more patients with a similar medical condition or situation.

#### Payment rules:

1. Group counselling is *only eligible for payment* when all of the following conditions are fulfilled:

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- a. The group counselling is pre-booked; and
- **b.** When there is an ongoing physician-patient relationship.
- 2. In addition to meeting the usual medical record requirements for the service, the physician must also maintain a separate record (independent of the patient's medical record) of the names and health numbers of all persons in attendance at each group counselling session or the service is *not eligible for payment*.

#### Claims submission instruction:

The claim must be submitted under the health number of the group member for whom, when the service was rendered, the largest number of counselling units had previously been claimed by the physician during the year in which the service is rendered.

#### [Commentary:

Group counselling does not apply to lectures.]

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# C. Transplant Counselling

# Definition/Required elements of service:

Transplant counselling is payable in circumstances where transplant or donation is imminent, for the purpose of providing the recipient, donor or family member with adequate information and clinical data to enable that person to make an informed decision regarding organ transplantation.

# **Claims submission instruction:**

The claim must be submitted under the health number of the recipient or donor.

# D. Counselling of Relatives on Behalf of a Catastrophically or Terminally III Patient

# Definition:

Counselling of relatives on behalf of a catastrophically or terminally ill patient is counselling rendered to a relative or relatives or representative of a catastrophically or terminally ill patient, for the purpose of developing an awareness of modalities for treatment of the patient and/or his or her prognosis.

# **Claims submission instruction:**

The claim must be submitted under the health number of the patient who is catastrophically or terminally ill.

# E. Rehabilitation Counselling

# **Definition:**

Rehabilitation counselling is counselling rendered for the purpose of developing an awareness of the modalities for treatment of the patient and/or his or her prognosis.

# INTERVIEWS

# SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

In addition to the *common elements*, all services described as interviews include the following *specific elements*.

- **A.** Obtaining information from, engaging in discussion with, and providing advice and information to interviewee(s) on matters related to the patient's condition and care.
- B. Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for the specific elements of the service.

# Payment rules:

1. These services are calculated and payable in time units of 30 minute increments. In calculating the time unit(s), the minimum time required in direct contact with the patient (or patient's relative or *patient's representative* as the case may be) and the physician in person is as follows:

# Units	Minimum time
1 unit:	20 minutes
2 units:	46 minutes
3 units:	76 minutes [1h 16m]
4 units:	106 minutes [1h 46m]
5 units:	136 minutes [2h 16m]
6 units:	166 minutes [2h 46m]
7 units:	196 minutes [3h 16m]
8 units:	226 minutes [3h 46m]

# [Commentary:

- **1.**Services less than 20 minutes in duration do not constitute any of the services defined in this section and constitute the type of assessment rendered in the circumstances.
- 2. Inquiry, discussion or provision of advice or information to a patient, patient's relative or representative that would ordinarily constitute part of a consultation, assessment (including those services which are defined in terms of an assessment) is included as a common or constituent element of the other service, and does not constitute an interview.]
- **2.** If an appointment for the interview is not separately booked, the amount payable for this service will be adjusted to a lesser fee.
- **3.** All services described as interviews must be rendered personally by the attending physician or they become *uninsured services*.

# DELEGATED PROCEDURE

#### **Definition:**

The term "procedure" as it is used in this section does not include services such as assessments, consultations, psychotherapy, counselling etc.

#### Payment rules:

- 1. Where a procedure is performed by a physician's employee(s) in the physician's office, the service remains insured using the existing fee codes if all the following requirements are met:
  - **a.** the procedure is one which is generally and historically accepted as a procedure which may be carried out by the nurse or other medical assistant in the employ of the physician; and
  - **b.** subject to the exceptions set out below, at all times during the procedure, the physician (although he or she may be otherwise occupied), is:
    - i. physically present in the office or clinic at which the service is rendered in order to ensure that procedures are being performed competently; and
    - **ii.** available immediately to approve, modify or otherwise intervene in a procedure, as required, in the best interests of the patient.
- 2. Exceptions to the requirement for physician presence during the delegated procedure.

Where all of the following conditions are met, the simple office procedures listed in the table below remain insured despite the physician not being physically present:

- **a.** the non-physician performing the procedure is properly trained to perform the procedure, he/ she reports to the physician, and the procedure is rendered in accordance with accepted professional standards and practice;
- **b.** the procedure is performed only on the physician's own patient, as evidenced by either an ongoing physician/patient relationship or a consultation/assessment rendered by the physician to the patient on the same day as the procedure is performed; and
- **c.** the same medical record requirements must be met as if the physician personally had rendered the service. The record must be dated, identify the non-physician performing the service, and contain a brief note on the procedure performed by the non-physician.

#### Claims submission instruction:

A locum tenens replacing an absent physician in the absent physician's office may submit claims for delegated procedures under either his/her own billing number or the billing number of the physician he/she is replacing.

# DELEGATED PROCEDURE

COMMON PROCEDURAL DESCRIPTION	APPLICABLE FEE CODES	CURRENT PAGE #
Venipuncture	G480, G482, G489	J7
Injections and immunizations	G372, G373, G538, G590, G593, G840, G841, G842, G843, G844, G845, G846, G847, G848	J54
Ultraviolet light therapy	G470	J37
Administration of oral polio vaccine	G462	J54
Simple office laboratory procedures	G001, G002, G004, G005, G009, G010, G011, G012, G014, G481	J67
Ear syringing, curetting or debridement	G420	J97
B.C.G. inoculation	G369	J53
Simple Spirometry and Flow Volume Loop	J301, J324, J304, J327	H4
Casts	Z198-Z209, Z211, Z213, Z216, Z873	N7

#### [Commentary:

Claims for services delegated to an individual employed by the physician submitting the claim are payable by *OHIP*. Claims are not payable for delegated services provided by an individual who is employed by a facility or organization such as a public hospital, public health unit, industrial clinics, long-term care facilities or Family Health Teams.]

# AGE-BASED FEE PREMIUMS

- 1. Despite any other provision in this Schedule, the amount payable for the following services to an insured person who falls into the age group described in the Age Group column of the following Age Premium Table is increased by the percentage specified in Percentage Increase column opposite the Age Group:
  - **a.** A consultation, limited consultation or repeat consultation rendered by a *specialist*, as those services are defined in this *Schedule*.
  - **b.** A surgical procedure listed in Parts K to Z inclusive of this Schedule.
  - **c.** Basic and time unit surgical assistant services listed in Parts K to Z inclusive of this *Schedule*.
  - d. Clinical Procedures associated with Diagnostic Radiological Examinations.
  - **e.** A specific assessment or a partial assessment rendered by a specialist in ophthalmology (23) (A233 or A234).

Item	Age Group	Percentage Increase
1	Less than 30 days of age	30%
2	At least 30 days but less than one year of age	25%
3	At least one year but less than two years of age	20%
4	At least two years but less than five years of age	15%
5	At least five years but less than 16 years of age	10%

#### age premium table

- 2. Despite any other provision in this *Schedule*, the amount payable for the following services to an insured person who is at least 65 years of age, as those services are defined in this *Schedule*, is increased by 15 per cent:
  - a. A general assessment (A003, C003, C903, W102, W109 or W903);
  - b. A general re-assessment (A004, C004, W004);
  - c. An intermediate assessment (A007);
  - d. A focused practice assessment (A917, A927, A937, A947, A957 or A967);
  - e. A periodic health visit (K132).
  - f. Comprehensive assessment and care (H102, H122, H132, H152)
  - g. A multiple systems assessment (H103, H123, H133, H153)

# SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUMS

Special visit means a visit initiated by a patient or an individual on behalf of the patient for the purpose of rendering a non-elective service or, if rendered in the patient's *home*, a non-elective or elective service.

A special visit premium is payable in respect of a special visit rendered to an insured person, subject to the conditions and limitations set out below. All special visit premiums are subject to the maximums, limitations and conditions set out in the "Special Visit Premium Table" applicable in the circumstances.

### Payment rules:

- **1.**Special visit premiums are *only eligible for payment* when rendered with certain services listed under "Consultations and Visits" and "Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures" sections of this Schedule.
- **2.**Regardless of the time of day at which the service is rendered, special visit premiums are *not eligible for payment* in the following circumstances:
  - **a.** for patients seen during rounds at a hospital or long-term care institution (including a nursing *home* or *home* for the aged);
  - **b**.in conjunction with admission assessments of patients who have been admitted to hospital on an elective basis;
  - c.for non-referred or transferred obstetrical patients except, in the case of transferred obstetrical patients for a special visit for obstetrical delivery with sacrifice of office hours for the first patient seen (C989);
  - **d**.for services rendered in a place, other than a hospital or long-term care facility, that is scheduled to be open for the purpose of diagnosing or treating patients;
  - e.for a visit for which critical care team fees are payable under this Schedule;
  - **f.** in conjunction with any sleep study service listed in the sleep studies section of this Schedule; or
  - **g.**for services rendered to patients who present to an office without an appointment while the physician is there, or for patients seen immediately before, during or immediately after routine or ordinary office hours even if held at night or on *week*ends or *holiday*s.
- **3.**Special visit premiums are *not eligible for payment* with services described by emergency department "H" prefix fee codes.

#### [Commentary:

For elective *home* visits rendered during daytime, evenings, nights or *week*ends, submit claim(s) using fee codes found under the column titled "Elective *Home* Visit" of Special Visit Premium Table VI listed on page GP75.]

Sacrifice of office hours means an insured service rendered when the demands of the patient and/or the patient's condition are such that the physician makes a previously unscheduled non-elective visit to the patient at a time when the physician had an office visit booked with one or more patients but, because of the previously unscheduled non-elective visit, any such office visit was delayed or cancelled.

### PREMIUMS

# [Commentary:

Special visit premiums are in respect of either or both: a "travel premium" and a "patient seen" premium (i.e. "first person seen premium" or "an additional person seen premium").]

### A. Travel Premium

# Definition/required elements of service:

A travel premium is *only eligible for payment* for travel from one location to another location ("the destination") subject to the payment rules below.

A travel premium is *not eligible for payment* when a physician is required to travel from one location to another within the same long-term care facility, hospital complex or within buildings situated on the same hospital campus.

# [Commentary:

1.A first person seen premium may be eligible for payment in this circumstance.

**2.**Only one travel premium is eligible for payment for each separate trip to a destination regardless of the number of patients seen in association with each trip.]

#### B. First person seen premium

A first person seen premium is eligible for payment for the first person seen at the destination under one of the following circumstances ("the eligible times"):

- if the insured service is commenced evenings (17:00 hr-24:00 hr) Monday to Friday; daytime or evenings on Saturdays, Sundays, and *Holidays*; or nights (24:00 hr-07:00 hr);
- 2. if rendered requiring sacrifice of office hours; or
- **3.** if rendered during daytime hours (07:00 17:00 hrs Monday through Friday) in circumstances in which a travel premium is eligible for payment.

#### C. Additional person premium

An additional person premium is *only eligible for payment* for services rendered at the destination to additional patients seen in emergency departments, outpatient departments, long-term care institutions or to hospital inpatients, provided that each additional patient service is commenced during the eligible times.

#### [Commentary:

Special visit premiums are *not eligible for payment* for elective services rendered at a long-term care institution, including a nursing *home* or *home* for the aged, even when the long-term care institution is the "*home*" of the patient.

Submit claims for routine elective visits in these locations as subsequent visits. For example, if the physician is called to a nursing *home* to see a patient for a non-elective problem at 8AM, and subsequently sees his/her routine patients on rounds, those additional patients do not qualify for the additional person premium.]

#### SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUMS

### LIMITS FOR SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUMS

Special visit premiums in excess of the maximums listed in the Special Visit Premium Tables are *not eligible for payment*.

The maximums apply to the number of patients where special visit premiums may be eligible for payment on that service date or in the time period specified.

# LIMITS FOR GERIATRIC HOME VISIT SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUMS

For the purpose of special visit premiums under the heading "Geriatric *Home* Visit Special Visit Premiums", the special visit premiums listed under Table X are *only eligible for payment* to:

- a. a specialist in Geriatrics (07); or
- **b.** a physician with an exemption to access bonus impact in Care of the Elderly from the *MOH*.

# LIMITS FOR EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT PHYSICIAN

For the purpose of special visit premiums under the heading "Emergency Department Physician", "Emergency Department Physician" means a physician:

- **a.** who on a day when the physician is scheduled to work in a hospital emergency department specifically for the purpose of rendering services to patients who attend the emergency department for physician services,
  - i. is requested by the emergency department to attend at a time when the physician is not otherwise scheduled to work in the emergency department; and
  - **ii.** who is not at the hospital at the time the emergency department request for attendance is made; or
- **b.** is on-call on a scheduled basis specifically to be available to a hospital emergency department to render services to patients who attend the emergency department for physician services and who is not at the hospital at the time the emergency department request for attendance is made.

#### [Commentary:

Emergency room physicians may be primarily funded either through an Emergency Department Alternate Funding Arrangement (ED-AFA) or fee-for-service.]

In addition to the general restrictions regarding special visits as outlined above, there are specific restrictions which apply to special visit premiums for services rendered in the emergency department by Emergency Department Physicians (as defined above). These limits are listed in the Special Visit Premiums table under the heading "Emergency Department by Emergency Department Physician" (Table V). Special Visit Premiums listed in the Special Visit Premiums table under the heading "Emergency Department to Emergency Department" (Table I) are *not eligible for payment* to Emergency Department Physicians (as defined above).

# [Commentary:

1. First patient seen and additional person seen premiums for Emergency Department Physicians are eligible for payment only when the physician is required to travel, as defined under "Travel Premium" page GP66, to make a special visit to the hospital emergency department.

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- **2.** If the Emergency Department Physician is at the hospital at the time the emergency department request for attendance is made, the appropriate H prefix code may be eligible for payment.
- **3.** If the Emergency Department Physician is called to a hospital ward on a non-elective basis, the General Listings ("A" prefix) apply and "C" prefix first person seen/additional person seen special visit premium may be eligible for payment.]

#### Note:

When special visits are rendered by physicians when they are not on duty to the emergency department, the limits for special visit premiums under the heading "Emergency Department" (Table I) apply (GP70). For patients assessed during this visit to the emergency department beyond the defined limits, submit claims for all subsequent patients using the "H" prefix listings.

#### Medical record requirements:

Special Visit Premiums are only eligible for payment if the following requirements are met:

- **1.** For fee codes listed in Tables I, II, III, IV, VI, VII, VIII, IX and X the time at which the special visit takes place must be documented on the medical record.
- 2. For fee codes listed in Table V;
  - **a.** the time of the request to attend in the emergency department must be documented on the medical record; and
  - **b.** The specific situation requiring the physician's attendance must be documented on the medical record.

# [Commentary:

When a special visit service occurs in a hospital, emergency department or long-term care institution where common medical records are maintained, the time when the visit takes place may be documented anywhere in the common medical record.]

# **Claims submission instructions:**

Submit claims using the appropriate A-prefix assessment fee from the "General Listings" for an assessment rendered in conjunction with a special visit premium.

# SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUM TABLE I

# **Emergency Department**

Not eligible for payment to Emergency Department Physicians (see definition GP67)

Premium	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00)	Weekdays Daytime (07:00 - 17:00) with Sacrifice of Office Hours	Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00)	Nights (00:00- 07:00)
Travel Premium	\$36.40 K960 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 K961 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 K962 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 K963 (max. 6 per time period)	\$36.40 K964 (no max. per time period)
First Person Seen	\$20.00 K990 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$40.00 K992 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$60.00 K994 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$75.00 K998 (max. 20 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$100.00 K996 (no max. per time period)
Additional Person(s) seen	\$20.00 K991 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$40.00 K993 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$60.00 K995 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$75.00 K999 (max. 20 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$100.00 K997 (no max. per time period)

# SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUM TABLE II

# **Hospital Out-Patient Department**

Premium	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00)	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00) with Sacrifice of Office Hours	Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00)	Nights (00:00- 07:00)
Travel Premium	\$36.40 U960 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 U961 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 U962 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 U963 (max. 6 per time period)	\$36.40 U964 (no max. per time period)
First person seen	\$20.00 U990 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$40.00 U992 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$60.00 U994 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$75.00 U998 (max. 20 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$100.00 U996 (no max. per time period)
Additional person(s) seen	\$20.00 U991 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$40.00 U993 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$60.00 U995 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$75.00 U999 (max. 20 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$100.00 U997 (no max. per time period)

# SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUM TABLE III

# **Hospital In-Patient**

Premium	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00)	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00) with Sacrifice of Office Hours	Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00)	Nights (00:00- 07:00)
Travel Premium	\$36.40 C960 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 C961 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 C962 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 C963 (max. 6 per time period)	\$36.40 C964 (no max. per time period)
First person seen	\$20.00 C990 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$40.00 C992 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$60.00 C994 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$75.00 C986 (max. 20 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$100.00 C996 (no max. per time period)
Additional person(s) seen	\$20.00 C991 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$40.00 C993 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$60.00 C995 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$75.00 C987 (max. 20 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$100.00 C997 (no max. per time period)

# SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUM TABLE IV

# Long-Term Care Institution

Premium	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00)	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00) with Sacrifice of Office Hours	Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00)	Nights (00:00- 07:00)
Travel Premium	\$36.40 W960 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 W961 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 W962 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 W963 (max. 6 per time period)	\$36.40 W964 (no max. per time period)
First person seen	\$20.00 W990 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$40.00 W992 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$60.00 W994 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$75.00 W998 (max. 20 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$100.00 W996 (no max. per time period)
Additional person(s) seen	\$20.00 W991 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$40.00 W993 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$60.00 W995 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$75.00 W999 (max. 20 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$100.00 W997 (no max. per time period)

# SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUM TABLE V

# Emergency Department by Emergency Department Physician (as defined on GP67)

Premium	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00)	Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00)	Nights (00:00- 07:00)
Travel Premium	\$36.40 H960 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 H962 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 H963 (max. 4 per time period)	\$36.40 H964 (no max. per time period)
First person seen	\$20.00 H980 (max. 5 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$60.00 H984 (max. 5 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$75.00 H988 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$100.00 H986 (no max. per time period)
Additional person(s) seen	\$20.00 H981 (max. 5 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$60.00 H985 (max. 5 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$75.00 H989 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$100.00 H987 (no max. per time period)

# SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUM TABLE VI

Special Visits to Patient's Home (other than Long-Term Care Institution)

Premium	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00) Non- elective	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00) with Sacrifice of Office Hours Non- elective	Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday Non- elective	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00) Non- elective	Nights (00:00- 07:00) Non- elective	Elective home visit
Travel Premium	\$36.40 B960 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 B961 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 B962 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 B963 (max. 6 per time period)	\$36.40 B964 (no max. per time period)	\$36.40 B960 (max. 2 per time period)
First person seen	\$27.50 B990 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$44.00 B992 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$66.00 B994 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$82.50 B993 (max. 20 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)	\$110.00 B996 (no max. per time period)	\$27.50 B990 (max. 10 (total of first and additional person seen) per time period)

#### Note:

- **1.** The maximum number of services per physician per day for B960 is 2, for any combination of non-elective and elective visits.
- **2.** The maximum number of services per physician per day for B990 is 10, for any combination of non-elective and elective visits.
- **3.** Special visit to patient's *home* premiums are *only eligible for payment* for first patient seen, regardless of number of patients seen during one visit to a *home* or to one or more living units in a multiple resident dwelling. A multiple resident dwelling is a single location that shares a common external building entrance or lobby e.g. apartment block, rest or retirement *home*, commercial hotel, motel or boarding house, university or boarding school residence, hostel, correctional facility or group *home*.

#### [Commentary:

- **1.**Special visit premiums listed in Table VI above are *not eligible for payment* with A007 or A001 when rendered in a patient's *home*. See page A2.
- **2.**For A007 or A001 rendered in a patient's *home*, travelling to and from the *home* is included as a common element of the insured service. See page GP13 of this *Schedule*.]

# SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUM TABLE VII

# Palliative Care Home Visit

Premium	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00)	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00) with Sacrifice of Office Hours	Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00)	Nights (00:00- 07:00)
Travel Premium	\$36.40 B966 (no max. per time period)	\$36.40 B966 (no max. per time period)	\$36.40 B966 (no max. per time period)	\$36.40 B966 (no max. per time period)	\$36.40 B966 (no max. per time period)
First person seen	\$82.50 B998 (no max. per time period)	\$82.50 B998 (no max. per time period)	\$82.50 B998 (no max. per time period)	\$82.50 B998 (no max. per time period)	\$110.00 B997 (no max. per time period)

#### SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUM TABLE VIII

# **Physician Office**

Premium	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00)	Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00)	Nights (00:00-07:00)
Travel Premium	\$36.40 A960 (max. 1 per time period)	\$36.40 A962 (max. 1 per time period)	\$36.40 A963 (max. 1 per time period)	\$36.40 A964 (no max. per time period)
First person seen	\$20.00 A990 (max. 1 per time period)	\$60.00 A994 (max. 1 per time period)	\$75.00 A998 (max. 1 per time period)	\$100.00 A996 (no max. per time period)

# SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUM TABLE IX

# Other (non-professional setting not listed)

Premium	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00)	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00) with Sacrifice of Office Hours	Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00)	Nights (00:00- 07:00)
Travel Premium	\$36.40 Q960 (max. 1 per time period)	\$36.40 Q961 (max. 1 per time period)	\$36.40 Q962 (max. 1 per time period)	\$36.40 Q963 (max. 1 per time period)	\$36.40 Q964 (no max. per time period)
First person seen	\$20.00 Q990 (max. 1 per time period)	\$40.00 Q992 (max. 1 per time period)	\$60.00 Q994 (max. 1 per time period)	\$75.00 Q998 (max. 1 per time period)	\$100.00 Q996 (no max. per time period)

# SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUM TABLE X

#### **Geriatric Home Visit**

Premium	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00)	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00) with Sacrifice of Office Hours	Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00)	Nights (00:00- 07:00)
Travel Premium	\$36.40 B986 (no max. per time period)	\$36.40 B986 (no max. per time period)	\$36.40 B986 (no max. per time period)	\$36.40 B986 (no max. per time period)	\$36.40 B986 (no max. per time period)
First person seen	\$82.50 B988 (no max. per time period)	\$82.50 B988 (no max. per time period)	\$82.50 B988 (no max. per time period)	\$82.50 B988 (no max. per time period)	\$110.00 B987 (no max. per time period)

# SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUM TABLE - OBSTETRICAL DELIVERY WITH SACRIFICE OF OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00)	Sacrifice of Office Hours	Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00)	Nights (00:00- 07:00)
\$0.00	\$76.40 C989 (max. 1 per time period)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

#### **Obstetrical Delivery with Sacrifice of Office Hours**

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# [Commentary:

- **1.** A physician who supervises a medical trainee who renders an insured service is eligible to be paid for the insured service as if the supervising physician performed the service personally, subject to any terms, conditions and limitations found in this section.
- **2.** The sole purpose of the terms and conditions described in this section is to define when a service is payable by *OHIP*. These terms and conditions do not alter the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario Professional Responsibilities in Postgraduate Medical Education requirements or any requirements of the institutions responsible for postgraduate medical education.]

# Note:

Unless otherwise specified in this section, all other payment requirements in the *Schedule* related to any service that is performed by a Medical Trainee are applicable.

# **DEFINITIONS:**

For the purposes of this section of the *Schedule* only, the following Definitions apply:

**Supervision:** Supervision is performed by the Supervising Physician and includes the responsibility to guide, observe and assess the educational activities of the Medical Trainee and assures the quality of an insured service while being rendered by the Medical Trainee.

Supervision is only performed:

- **a.** in person, by telephone, or videoconference, the method being consistent with the acuity of the service being rendered by the Medical Trainee as well as the Medical Trainee's level of competence;
- **b.** when the service is provided within a setting approved by the educational institution where the Medical Trainee is registered; and
- **c.** when the service is within the scope and oversight of the postgraduate medical training program in which the Medical Trainee is registered.

# [Commentary:

The Supervising Physician and the Medical Trainee must be physically present in Ontario.]

Supervising Physician	The Supervising Physician is a physician who performs Supervision of a Medical Trainee who renders an insured service to an insured person. The Supervising Physician must hold an academic appointment with the educational institution where the Medical Trainee is registered. The Supervising Physician of a Medical Trainee involved in the care of a patient may or may not be the most responsible physician for that patient.
Medical Trainee	A Medical Trainee is a physician who is registered in a postgraduate training program as a Resident or Clinical Fellow at the time he/she performs an insured service.
Resident	A Resident is registered in an accredited postgraduate training program that leads to certification for practice in Canada as a specialist or subspecialist by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or to certification by the College of Family Physicians of Canada for practice in Canada as a family physician.

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Clinical Fellow	A Clinical Fellow is registered with a postgraduate training program that is approved by a university postgraduate medical education office in Ontario. The Clinical Fellow must have a Certificate of Registration with the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario.
<b>[Commentary:</b> An undergraduate	is not a physician and does not meet the definition of a Medical Trainee]
Procedure	A Procedure is an insured service that has anaesthesia base units listed in the column headed with "Anae" and includes anaesthesia services provided by Anaesthesiologists.
Non-Procedure	A Non-Procedure Service is an insured service, other than Procedures and Time-Based Services.
Time-Based Services	A Time-Based Service is an insured service described as Psychotherapy, Psychiatric and Counselling, Interviews, Hypnotherapy, Psychiatric Care and Primary Mental Health Care.

# SUPERVISION OF POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL TRAINEES

# **Payment Rules**

# A. GENERAL

- 1. A service rendered by a Medical Trainee is *only eligible for payment* to the Supervising Physician where Supervision is provided as defined above and subject to the specific requirements below.
- 2. Where a Resident with an *OHIP* billing number is providing insured services independently and outside their training program, the insured service is *not eligible for payment* to a Supervising Physician as there is no Supervision provided.

# [Commentary:

In the scenario described above the Resident is not performing the service as a Medical Trainee. In this scenario, the Resident would bill *OHIP* for the service provided.]

**3.** Where a Clinical Fellow with an *OHIP* billing number is providing insured services independently and outside their training program, the insured service is *not eligible for payment* to a Supervising Physician as there is no Supervision provided.

# [Commentary:

In the scenario described above the Clinical Fellow is not performing the services as a Medical Trainee. In this scenario, the Clinical Fellow would bill *OHIP* for the services provided. For example, an orthopedic surgeon may be enrolled in a sarcoma surgery clinical fellowship but has privileges as a general orthopedic surgeon and may perform, and be eligible for payment, for rendering a service such as an open reduction of a fracture that is not being supervised by a Supervising Physician.]

- **4.** Special Visit premiums are *not eligible for payment* to the Supervising Physician unless the Supervising Physician personally satisfies the payment requirements for a special visit premium.
- **5.** The following services are *not eligible for payment* to the Supervising Physician when rendered by a Medical Trainee:
  - a. Case Conferences;
  - b. Multidisciplinary Cancer Conferences;
  - c. Provider-to-provider services, including:
    - i. Telephone Consultations;
    - ii. E-Consultations; and
    - iii. E-Assessments.
  - **d.** Virtual Care Services when provided to hospital inpatients or patients in an emergency department.

# **B. PROCEDURE SERVICES**

- **1.** A Procedure rendered by a Resident is *only eligible for payment* to the Supervising Physician when the Supervising Physician:
  - a. is aware the Resident will render the service; and
  - b. is physically present in the clinical facility at the time the service is rendered; and
  - **c.** is immediately available to personally attend the patient when requested by the Resident or other health care professional.

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- **2.** A Procedure rendered by a Clinical Fellow is *only eligible for payment* to the Supervising Physician when the Supervising Physician:
  - a. is aware the Clinical Fellow will render the service; and
  - **b.** is available to personally attend the patient when requested by the Clinical Fellow or other health care professional in a timely manner consistent with the acuity of the clinical scenario.

# Note:

Payment rule 2(b) above is not applicable in circumstances where a Supervising Physician supervises Procedures rendered by a Clinical Fellow for the purpose of procurement of organs or tissues to be used in transplantation.

**3.** Where a Procedure is rendered by a Clinical Fellow with an *OHIP* billing number under the supervision of a Supervising Physician, the Procedure is eligible for payment to the Clinical Fellow as a surgical assistant if the Procedure has basic units listed in the column headed with "Asst".

# [Commentary:

- **1.** The Supervising Physician should submit a claim as the operating surgeon in this situation ("A" suffix).
- 2. The Clinical Fellow should submit a claim as the assistant ("B" suffix).]

# C. TIME-BASED SERVICES

- 1. A Time-Based Service rendered by a Medical Trainee is *only eligible for payment* to the Supervising Physician when the Supervising Physician is aware the Medical Trainee will render the service.
- **2.** The number of time units payable is the time spent by the Medical Trainee providing the service to the patient subject to limits set out below:

# Note:

- **1.**Any time taken in discussion with the Medical Trainee about the case is *not eligible for payment*.
- **2.** The maximum number of time units payable for a Time-Based service rendered by the Medical Trainee(s) to an individual patient is two units.
- **3.** The maximum number of time units payable for a Time-Based service rendered by the Medical Trainee(s) to a group of two or more patients is four units.

# [Commentary:

**1.**Where there is more than one Medical Trainee participating in the rendering of a time-based service concurrently, only the time units rendered by one Medical Trainee are eligible for payment to the same Supervising Physician.]

# D. NUMBER OF MEDICAL TRAINEES

The following table describes the maximum number of services that are payable for services rendered concurrently by Medical Trainee(s) and the Supervising Physician.

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Type of Insured Service	Location Where Insured Services are Rendered	Maximum number of insured services eligible for payment when rendered concurrently by the Medical Trainee(s) and the Supervising Physician
Procedures Only	Any	2
Procedures with any combination of Non- Procedures or Time- Based Services	Any	2
Any Combination of Non- Procedures or Time- Based Services	Any	3
Any Combination of Non- Procedures or Time- Based Services	Specialized Clinic in a Quaternary Hospital	4
Any Combination of Non- Procedures or Time- Based Services	Emergency Department	No Limit
Any Combination of Non- Procedures or Time- Based Services	Hospital Inpatient	No Limit

#### Note:

- **1.**Maximum number of services rendered concurrently include all services rendered by both the Medical Trainee(s) and the Supervising Physician.
- **2.**With respect to the maximum number of services eligible for payment in Specialized Clinics located at a Quaternary hospital, the following is applicable:
  - a. The maximums are applicable only for clinics that have been approved by the MOH.
  - **b.**In the absence of *MOH* approval, the other maximums pertaining to the type and location of insured services rendered by the Supervising Physician and Medical Trainee(s) are applicable.
- **3.** The above maximums refer to Time-Based Services rendered to individual patients. In circumstances where Time-Based Services are rendered to groups of two or more patients, the group session is considered to be a service provided to one patient.

# [Commentary:

- **1.** If the Supervising Physician is personally performing a Procedure at the same time and is Supervising one Medical Trainee who is performing a Procedure, this situation describes two insured services that are payable.
- **2.**If the Supervising Physician is personally performing a Procedure and at the same time is Supervising two Medical Trainees who are both performing Procedures, this situation describes three services but only two of the three insured services are payable.

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- **3.** If the Supervising Physician is personally rendering a service other than a Procedure (i.e. a Non-Procedure or a Time-Based Service) and is supervising two Medical Trainees who are performing Procedures concurrently, this situation describes three services but only two insured services that are payable.
- **4.** If the Supervising Physician is personally rendering a Non-Procedure and is Supervising two Medical Trainees who are both performing Non-Procedures or Time-Based services at the same time, this situation describes three insured services that are payable.]

# E. Forms

1. An insured service listed in the *Schedule* that includes the completion of a form is *not eligible for payment* to a Supervising Physician if rendered by a Medical Trainee unless the form has been reviewed and signed by the Supervising Physician.

# F. Medical Record Requirements

- **1.** A service is *only eligible for payment* to the Supervising Physician when the medical record of the patient(s) identifies the following information at the time of the provision of the service:
  - a. The Supervising Physician;
  - b. The Medical Trainee and level of training;
  - c. The description of the insured service performed by the Medical Trainee;
  - d. Patient consent to the Supervision of services of a Medical Trainee; and
  - e. Where the service rendered is a Time-Based service, the Supervising Physician has at a minimum, reviewed the nature and outcome of the service and the patient record(s), with the Medical Trainee.
- 2. In addition to the requirements in 1 above, the Supervising Physician must have:
  - a. signed off on the service rendered by the Medical Trainee in the patient's medical record; or
  - b. where the Supervising Physician was not immediately available to sign off on the service rendered by the Medical Trainee, the Medical Trainee has written the date and time a discussion occurred with the Supervising Physician regarding the provision of the service in the patient's medical record.

#### [Commentary:

Each entry into the patient's medical record does not need to contain all of the above medical record keeping requirements. However, it must be evident upon review of the entire medical record that all requirements were met at the time of the provision of the Supervised service.

Supervision of the Medical Trainee by the Supervising Physician must be evident in the medical record. This *may include* a physical visit to the patient and/or a chart review and detailed discussion between the Supervising Physician, the Medical Trainee, and other member(s) of the health team.

The service date to be used for claims is the date the Medical Trainee rendered the insured service to the patient.]

# SURGICAL ASSISTANTS' SERVICES

# SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

In addition to the common elements, assistance at surgery includes the following specific elements.

- **A.** Preparing or supervising the preparation of the patient for the procedure.
- **B.** Performing the procedure by any method, or assisting another physician in the performance of the procedure(s), assisting with the carrying out of all recovery room procedures and the transfer of the patient to the recovery room, and any ongoing monitoring and detention rendered during the immediate post-operative and recovery period, when indicated.
- **C.** Making arrangements for any related assessments, procedures, or therapy, (including obtaining any specimens from the patient) and/or interpreting results.
- **D.** When medically indicated, monitoring the condition of the patient for post-procedure follow-up until the first post-operative visit.
- E. Discussion with, and providing any advice and information, including prescribing therapy to the patient or the *patient's representative*, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service.
- **F.** Providing premises, equipment, supplies, and personnel for services identified with prefix # for any aspect(s) of A, C, D, and E that is (are) performed in a place other than the place in which the surgical procedure is performed.

While no occasion may arise for performing elements A, C, D or E, when performed in connection with the *specific elements* of a service, these are included in the service.

# CALCULATION OF FEE PAYABLE: BASIC UNITS AND TIME UNITS

Except where "nil" is listed opposite the service in the column headed with "Asst", the amount payable for the surgical assistant service is calculated by adding together the number of basic and time units and multiplying that total by the unit fee.

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**Basic Units:** The number of basic units is the number of units listed opposite the service in the column headed with "Asst", except

- **a.** where multiple or bilateral surgical procedures are performed during the same anaesthetic, the number of basic units is that listed in the column headed with "Asst" opposite the service that describes the major procedure; or
- b. where no basic unit is listed opposite the service in the column headed with "Asst" and where "nil" is not listed opposite the service in the column headed with "Asst", the number of basic units is that listed opposite the service under the column headed with "Anae". This type of service is *only eligible for payment* upon authorization by a *medical consultant* following submission of a letter from the surgeon outlining the reason the assistant was required. Submit claims for this type of service using fee code M400B.

Where "nil" is listed opposite the service in the column headed with "Asst", the assistant's service is *not eligible for payment*.

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**Time Units:** For the purpose of calculating time units, time is determined per operation as the total of the following, excluding any time spent waiting between surgical procedures:

- **a.** time spent by the physician in direct contact with the patient in the operating room prior to scrub time to assist with patient preparation; and
- **b.** time spent by the physician assisting at the patient's surgery starting with scrub time and ending when the physician is no longer required to be in attendance with that patient.

Time units are calculated for each 15 minutes or part thereof. The unit value of each 15 minute period or part thereof is:

During the first hour or less	1 unit
After the first hour	2 units
After 2.5 hours	3 units

#### **Claims submission instruction:**

Submit claims for assisting at surgery using the suffix "B", with the procedural code.

# [Commentary:

See Appendix H for a table stating the duration of surgical assisting and corresponding time units.]

# SURGICAL ASSISTANTS' SERVICES

# AFTER HOURS PREMIUMS

These premiums are payable when a case commences:

E400B Evenings (17:00h – 24:00h) Monday to Friday or daytime and	
evenings on Saturdays, Sundays or Holidays - increase the	
total assistant's fee by	50%
E401B Nights (00:00h – 07:00h) - increase the total assistant's fee by	75%

# REPLACEMENT SURGICAL ASSISTANT

When one surgical assistant ("the first assistant") starts a procedure and is replaced by another surgical assistant ("the replacement assistant") during a surgical procedure:

- **a.** The amount payable to the first assistant is calculated by adding the listed procedural basic units plus time units for the time the first assistant is in attendance.
- **b.** The service provided by the replacement assistant constitutes E005B based on the number of time units for the time the replacement assistant is in attendance.

# Payment rules:

**1.**Base units are *not eligible for payment* to the replacement assistant.

**2.** Time units for the replacement assistant are calculated based on the total time the replacement assistant participates in the case. Time unit values are calculated in the same manner as would have applied to the original assistant had he/she not been replaced.

# [Commentary:

As an example, if the original assistant is eligible for double time units when the replacement assistant takes over, the replacement assistant is also eligible for double time units.]

**3.**E400B or E401B is eligible for payment with E005B only if the beginning of the case commences after hours.

#### Medical record requirements:

E005B is *only eligible for payment* when the start and stop times are documented in the patient's permanent medical record.

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# SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUMS

All special visit premiums are subject to the maximums, limitations and conditions set out in the "Special Visit Premium Table" applicable in the circumstances.

# Sacrifice of Office Hours

# [Commentary:

For the definition of Sacrifice of Office Hours, see GP65.]

# Payment rules:

C988B is *not eligible for payment* in respect of any special visits to assist at surgery in a calendar *month* if the amount payable for all surgical assistant's fees (including special visit premiums associated with performing surgical assistant services) rendered by the physician in that *month* is greater than 20% of the total amount payable for all insured services rendered by the physician in that *month*.

# Evenings, Weekend/Holiday and Nights

C998B	Evenings (17:00h - 24:00h) Monday to Friday, first patient	
	seen	67.05
C983B	Saturdays, Sundays or Holidays, daytime and evenings	
	(07:00h -24:00h), first patient seen	85.60
C999B	Nights (00:00h - 07:00h), first patient seen	117.65

#### Payment rules:

- **1.** C988B, C998B, C983B and C999B are *only eligible for payment* for the first patient seen on each special visit.
- **2.** C988B, C998B, C983B, C999B are *only eligible for payment* when the physician is required to travel from one location to another location, as defined under "Travel Premium", page GP66.

#### [Commentary:

1. The specific requirements for special visits are found on pages GP65 to GP77.

2. These premiums are eligible for payment in addition to the E400 and E401 premiums.]

# SURGICAL ASSISTANTS' SERVICES

# SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUM TABLE - SURGICAL ASSISTANT SERVICES

# **Surgical Assistant Services**

Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00)	Sacrifice of Office Hours	Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00)	Nights (00:00- 07:00)
\$0.00	\$76.40	\$67.05	\$85.60	\$117.65
	C988B	C998B	C983B	C999B
	(max. 1 per	(max. 2 per	(max. 6 per	(no max. per
	time period)	time period)	time period)	time period)

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# **CANCELLED SURGERY – ASSISTANT SERVICES**

# Payment rules:

- **1.** If the procedure is cancelled prior to induction of anaesthesia, the service constitutes a subsequent hospital visit.
- 2. When an anaesthetic has begun but the operation is cancelled due to a complication prior to commencement of surgery and the assistant has scrubbed but is not required to do anything further, the service is payable as E006B with the actual number of time units added to 6 basic units for this service.

# [Commentary:

If the operation is cancelled after surgery has commenced, the amount payable is calculated by adding the listed procedural basic units plus time units and multiplying the total by the unit fee listed at the start of this section.]

# SECOND ASSISTANT

# Payment rules:

When more than one assistant was required for a surgical procedure, unless the service is listed below, the second assistant's service is *only eligible for payment* following authorization by a *medical consultant* and requires submission of a letter from the surgeon outlining the reason the second assistant was required. The amount payable for the second assistant is calculated in the same manner as the amount payable for the first assistant.

Services where a second assistant's services are payable and authorization is not required: E645, M111, M112, M117, M134, M142, P042, P051, P052, P056, P059, R008, R009, R013, R014, R015, R016, R055, R056, R064, R065, R067, R069, R134, R135, R136, R140, R182, R240, R241, R244, R326, R327, R334, R393, R438, R440, R441, R483, R487, R545, R553, R568, R593, R594, R617, R645, R701, R702, R704, R712, R713, R714, R715, R718, R726, R727, R728, R729, R733, R734, R735, R737, R738, R742, R743, R746, R747, R749, R764, R770, R771, R772, R785, R786, R799, R800, R801, R802, R803, R804, R811, R815, R817, R818, R830, R832, R858, R863, R870, R872, R874, R876, R877, R927, R929, R920, R930, S005, S007, S079, S090, S091, S092, S096, S098, S099, S120, S125, S189, S213, S214, S267, S270, S271, S274, S275, S294, S295, S298, S300, S321, S416, S429, S440, S441, S453, S454, S462, S484, S750, S758, S759, S816

# [Commentary:

E003B is not eligible for payment for second assistant services.]

# SURGICAL ASSISTANT STANDBY

# Definition/Required elements of service:

E101B is a time-based service limited to one surgical case per physician per day payable for standby as a surgical assistant following a minimum of 30 minutes of unforeseen delay beyond the scheduled start time for surgery. The physician must be physically present in the operating room suite for the period between the scheduled and actual surgical start time.

# Payment rules:

1. For calculation of time units, the start time for this service commences 30 minutes after the scheduled surgical start time and ends when the surgery actually commences as recorded in the hospital's operating suite records. There are no basic units.

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**2.** E101B is *not eligible for payment* if during the standby time for which E101B would otherwise be eligible for payment, other insured services are rendered for which payment is made by *OHIP*.

# [Commentary:

E101B is payable with after hours premiums.]

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# SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

In addition to the *common elements*, the *general anaesthesia* service includes the following *specific elements*.

- A. Supervising the preparation of the patient for anaesthesia.
- **B.** Performing the anaesthetic procedure, and procedures associated with the anaesthetic procedure which are not separately payable including providing all supportive measures to the patient during and immediately after the period of anaesthesia; transfer of or assisting with the transfer of the patient to the recovery room; all indicated recovery room procedures, and ongoing monitoring and detention during the immediate post-operative and recovery period.
- **C.** Making arrangements for any assessments, procedures, or therapy, including obtaining any specimens (except for arterial puncture Z459), and/or interpreting the results, on matters related to the service.
- **D.** Making, or supervising the making of, arrangements for follow-up care and when medically indicated, post-procedure monitoring of the patient's condition until the next insured service is provided.
- E. Discussion with, and providing any advice and information, including prescribing therapy to the patient or the *patient's representative*, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service.
- **F.** Providing premises, equipment, supplies, and personnel for any aspect(s) of *specific elements* A, C, D, and E that is (are) performed in a place other than the place in which the general anaesthetic service is performed.

While no occasion may arise for performing elements C, D or E, when performed in connection with the other *specific elements*, they are included in the general anaesthetic service.

The general anaesthesia service includes:

- a. a pre-anaesthetic evaluation, with *specific elements* as for assessments (see GP15);
- **b.** the anaesthetic procedure; and
- c. post-anaesthetic follow-up.

#### Note:

- **1.**With the exception of the listings in the "Consultations and Visits" section, all references to an anaesthesiologist in this Schedule are references to any physician providing anaesthetic services.
- **2.**As defined in the General Preamble (see GP2), *general anaesthesia*, for the purposes of this Schedule, includes all forms of anaesthesia except local infiltration, unless otherwise specifically listed.

# CALCULATION OF FEE PAYABLE – BASIC AND TIME UNITS

The amount payable for the anaesthesia service is calculated by adding the number of basic and time units and multiplying the total by the anaesthesiologist unit fee.

#### Anaesthesiologist Unit fee ..... \$15.49

**Basic Units:** The number of basic units is the number of basic units listed opposite the service in the column headed with "Anae" except,

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- **a.** where multiple or bilateral surgical procedures are performed during the same anaesthetic, the number of basic units listed in the column headed with "Anae" opposite the service that describes the major procedure; or
- **b.** where the basic units are listed as IC, or where no basic units are listed, the amount payable is calculated by adding the appropriate time units to the basic units listed for a comparable procedure (taking into account the region, modifying conditions, or techniques).

Time Units: Time units are calculated on the basis of time spent by the anaesthesiologist and commence when the anaesthesiologist is first in attendance with the patient in the OR for the purpose of initiating anaesthesia and end when the anaesthesiologist is no longer in attendance (when the patient may safely be placed under customary post-operative supervision). Time units are calculated for each 15 minutes or part thereof. The unit value of each 15 minute period or part thereof is:

During the first hour	1 unit
After the first hour up to and including the first 1.5 hours	2 units
After 1.5 hours	3 units

#### Claims submission instruction:

Submit claims for anaesthesia services rendered with a surgical procedure using the suffix "C", with the procedural code.

#### [Commentary:

see Appendix H for a table stating the duration of the anaesthesia service and corresponding time units.]

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# AFTER HOURS PREMIUMS

These premiums are payable when a case commences:

E400C Evenings (17:00h – 24:00h) Monday to Friday or daytime and	
evenings on Saturdays, Sundays or Holidays - increase the	
total anaesthetic fee by	50%
E401C Nights (00:00h – 07:00h) - increase the total anaesthetic fee	
by	75%

# SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUMS

All special visit premiums are subject to the maximums, limitations and conditions set out in the "Special Visit Premium Table" applicable in the circumstances.

Anaesthesia special visit premiums are *only eligible for payment* when an anaesthesiologist is required to travel, as defined under "Travel Premium" page GP66, to make a special visit to the hospital to administer an anaesthetic for a case that commences:

# Evenings, Weekend/Holiday, Nights and Sacrifice of Office Hours

C998C Evenings (17:00h - 24:00h) Monday to Friday; or for non-	
elective surgery with sacrifice of office hours -	
Weekdays	60.00
C985C Saturdays, Sundays or Holidays daytime and evenings	
(07:00h - 24:00h)	75.00
C999C Nights (00:00h - 07:00h)	100.00

#### Payment rules:

C998C, C985C and C999C are eligible for payment only for the first patient seen on each special visit.

#### [Commentary:

1. The specific requirements for special visits are found in pages GP65 to GP77.

**2.** These premiums are payable in addition to the E400 and E401 premiums.]

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# Anaesthesia Services

Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00)	Weekdays Daytime (07:00- 17:00) with Sacrifice of Office Hours	Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00)	Nights (00:00- 07:00)
\$0.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$75.00	\$100.00
	C998C	C998C	C985C	C999C
	(max. 2 per	(max. 2 per	(max. 6 per	(no max. per
	time period)	time period)	time period)	time period)

### **CANCELLED SURGERY - ANAESTHESIA SERVICES**

#### Payment rules:

- **1.** If an anaesthesiologist examines a patient prior to surgery and the surgery is cancelled prior to the induction of anaesthesia, the service rendered constitutes a hospital subsequent visit.
- 2. When an anaesthetic has begun but the operation is cancelled prior to commencement of surgery, the service constitutes E006C with the actual number of time units added to 6 basic units for this service.

#### [Commentary:

If the operation is cancelled after surgery has commenced, the amount payable is calculated by adding the listed procedural basic units plus time units and multiplying the total by the unit fee.]

#### SECOND ANAESTHESIOLOGIST

Unless otherwise specified in the Schedule, when the anaesthetic services of more than one anaesthesiologist are necessary in the interest of the patient, the service provided by the second anaesthesiologist constitutes E001C with the actual number of time units (based on the actual time assisting the first anaesthesiologist) added to 6 basic units.

#### REPLACEMENT ANAESTHESIOLOGIST

When one anaesthesiologist starts a procedure and is replaced by another anaesthesiologist ("the replacement anaesthesiologist") during a surgical procedure or delivery:

- **a.** the amount payable to the first anaesthesiologist is calculated by adding the listed procedural basic units plus time units for the time the first anaesthesiologist is in attendance;
- **b.** except in the case of continuous conduction anaesthesia, the service provided by the replacement anaesthesiologist constitutes E005C based on the actual number of time units and 6 basic units.

#### Note:

E005C qualifies for the premiums E400C or E401C only if the case commences after hours (see GP94).

#### [Commentary:

- **1.**Each anaesthesiologist must indicate, as part of the medical record, his/her starting and finishing times.
- **2.**For continuous conduction anaesthesia, the replacement anaesthesiologist submits claims using the applicable continuous conduction anaesthesia fee code.]

#### **OBSTETRICS – CONTINUOUS CONDUCTION ANAESTHESIA**

P014C, introduction of a catheter for labour analgesia, including the first dose of medication with or without any combined spinal-epidural injection(s), has a value of 7 basic units.

P016C time units for maintenance of obstetrical epidural anaesthesia are calculated on the basis of 1 unit for each  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour of time to a maximum of 12 units.

E100C time units for attendance at delivery are calculated on the basis of 4 base units and 1 unit for each <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hour

### [Commentary:

- **1.**As these services fall under the definition of *general anaesthesia*, the *specific elements* for *general anaesthesia* apply to P014C, P016C and E100C.
- 2. For additional information on obstetrical anaesthesia services, see page K9 of the Schedule.]

## **EXTRA UNITS**

Extra Units: An amount is payable for extra units in addition to basic units when an anaesthesiologist administers an anaesthetic to:

Fee code	Criteria	Number of extra units
E021C	premature <i>newborn</i> less than 37 <i>week</i> s gestational age	9 units
E014C	<i>newborn</i> to 28 days	5 units
E009C	<i>infant</i> from 29 days to 1 year of age	4 units
E019C	infant or child from 1 year to 8 years of age inclusive	2 units
E007C	adult aged from 70 to 79 years, inclusive	1 unit
E018C	adult aged 80 years and older	3 units
E010C	patient with <i>body mass index (BMI)</i> > 40	2 units
E011C	patient in prone position during surgery	4 units
E024C	024C patient in sitting position during surgery, greater than 4 u 60 degrees upright	
E025C	unanticipated massive transfusion – transfusion of at least one blood volume of red blood cells	10 units
E012C	012C patient who is known to have malignant hyperthermia or there is a strong suspicion of susceptibility, and the anaesthetic requires full malignant hyperthermia set up and management	
E022C	ASA III - patient with severe systemic disease limiting activity but not incapacitating	2 units
E017C	ASA IV – patient with incapacitating systemic disease that is a constant threat to life	10 units
E016C	ASA V – moribund patient not expected to live 24 hours <i>with or without</i> operation	20 units
E020C	ASA E - patient undergoing anaesthesia for emergency surgery which commences within 24 hours of operating room booking, to E022C, E017C or E016C	4 units

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#### Note:

E025C is *only eligible for payment* for an unanticipated transfusion of blood during a surgical procedure where:

- 1.greater than 70 ml/kg of red blood cells are transfused for a patient with a weight up to 50 kg; or
- 2.10 or more units of red blood cells are transfused for a patient with a weight exceeding 50 kg.

#### [Commentary:

- **1.**For E010, BMI is calculated by dividing the patient's weight (in kilograms) by the square of the patient's height (in metres).
- **2.**E025C is defined by the amount of blood transfused rather than the amount of blood loss. The volume of blood transfused does not include blood collected from a cell saver, hemodilution techniques or non-red blood cell components.]

#### **Payment rules:**

1. In the description of E022C, E016C, E017C and E020C, reference to ASA level for Physical Status Classification means the level determined by the anaesthesiologist at the time of the pre-operative anaesthesia assessment.

#### [Commentary:

The level determined above does not vary, for example, when complications arise during surgery.]

**2.** E016C, E017C and E020C are *not eligible for payment* when anaesthesia is rendered to a brain dead patient for organ donations.

### **REPLACEMENT OF LISTED BASIC UNITS**

Circumstances under which the listed basic units for a procedure are replaced with the following basic units:

Fee code	Description	Replace Number of Basic units with
E650C	when a pump ( <i>with or without</i> an oxygenator and <i>with or without</i> hypothermia) is used in conjunction with an anaesthetic	28 units
E645C	off pump coronary artery bypass grafting, to R742 or R743	40 units
E002C	when hypothermia is used by the anaesthesiologist in procedures not specifically identified as requiring hypothermia	25 units
E013C	when anaesthetic management is required for the emergency relief of acute upper airway (above the carina) obstruction (excluding choanal atresia)	10 units

#### ANAESTHESIA FOR NERVE BLOCK PROCEDURES

When a physician renders an anaesthesia service in support of services performed by another physician listed in Nerve Blocks for Acute Pain Management, Interventional Pain Injections or the Peripheral/Other Nerve Block sections of the Schedule the anaesthesia service is *only eligible for payment* as one of the following:

#### Note:

Extra units listed on GP97 are not payable with E030C.

E031C General anaesthesia or deep sedation...... 4 basic units

#### Note:

Extra units listed on GP97 are not payable with E031C.

#### [Commentary:

Z432C is not eligible for payment for an anaesthesia service in support of a nerve block.]

# ANAESTHESIA FOR ocular SURGERY, EXAMINATION UNDER ANAESTHESIA, colonoscopy, sigmoidoscopy and cystoscopy

For the purposes of E023C and E032C, anaesthesia means an anaesthesia service other than local infiltration, topical anaesthesia or procedural sedation rendered in support of the listed procedures. E023C and E032C replaces the listed basic units and time units for anaesthesia for these procedures.

#### Ocular Surgery, Cystoscopy, and Examination Under Anaesthesia

#### **Colonoscopy and Sigmoidoscopy**

E032C Anaesthesia service for Z491, Z492, Z493, Z494, Z495, Z496, Z497, Z498, Z499, Z555 or Z580

...... 4 basic units, plus time units

#### [Commentary:

- **1.**Deep sedation, *general anaesthesia* or regional anaesthesia, performed by an anaesthesiologist, are examples of anaesthesia that may be rendered for E023C and E032C.
- 2. Anaesthesia extra units listed on GP97 are eligible for payment with E023C and E032C.
- **3.**Local infiltration or topical anaesthesia used as an anaesthetic for any procedure is *not eligible for payment*.]

#### Note:

For the purposes of anaesthesia services the following definitions apply:

- **1.**Procedural Sedation is a drug-induced depression of consciousness during which patients respond purposefully to verbal commands, either alone or accompanied by light tactile stimulation. No interventions are required to maintain a patent airway, and spontaneous ventilation is adequate. Cardiovascular function is usually maintained.
- **2.** Deep Sedation is a drug-induced depression of consciousness during which patients cannot be easily aroused but respond purposefully following repeated or painful stimulation. The ability to independently maintain ventilatory function may be impaired. Patients may require assistance in maintaining a patent airway, and spontaneous ventilation may be inadequate. Cardiovascular function is usually maintained.
- **3**. *General Anaesthesia* is a drug-induced loss of consciousness during which patients are not arousable, even by painful stimulation. The ability to independently maintain ventilatory function is often impaired. Patients often require assistance in maintaining a patent airway, and positive pressure ventilation may be required because of depressed spontaneous ventilation or drug-induced depression of neuromuscular function. Cardiovascular function may be impaired.

#### ANAESTHESIA ADMINISTERED BY SAME PHYSICIAN PERFORMING A PROCEDURE

1. Except as described in paragraph 2, when a physician administers an anaesthetic, nerve block and/or other medication prior to, during, immediately after or otherwise in conjunction with a diagnostic, therapeutic or surgical procedure which the physician performs on the same patient, the administration of the anaesthetic, nerve block and/or other medication is *not eligible for payment*.

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2. A major or minor peripheral nerve block, major plexus block, neuraxial injection (*with or without* catheter) or intrapleural block (*with or without* catheter) for post-operative pain control (with a duration of action more than 4 hours) is eligible for payment as G224 when rendered in conjunction with a procedure which the physician performs on the same patient. With the exception of a bilateral pudendal block (where only one service is eligible for payment), G224 is eligible for payment once per region per side where bilateral procedures are performed.

#### [Commentary:

For additional information, refer to the Nerve Blocks for Acute Pain Management, Interventional Pain Injections and the Peripheral/Other Nerve Block sections of the Schedule.]

## SUPPORTIVE CARE/MONITORING BY SURGICAL ASSISTANT OR ANAESTHESIOLOGIST

#### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

In addition to the *common elements*, supportive care or monitoring by the surgical assistant or anaesthesiologist includes the following *specific elements*.

- **A.** Being in constant attendance at a surgical procedure for the sole purpose of monitoring the condition of the patient (including appropriate physical examination and inquiry) and being immediately available to provide, and including the provision of, special supportive care to the patient.
- **B.** Discussion with, and providing advice and information, including prescribing therapy to the patient or the *patient's representative*, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to:
  - 1. the service; and
  - 2. in circumstances in which it would be professionally appropriate that results can be reported upon prior to any further patient visit, the results of related procedure(s) and/or assessment(s).
- **C.** Providing premises, equipment, supplies, and personnel for any aspect(s) of the *specific elements* of the service that is(are) performed at a place other than the place in which the attendance occurs.

While no occasion may arise for performing element B, when performed in connection with the other elements it is included in the service.

### CALCULATION OF FEE PAYABLE

The fee for this service is calculated in the same manner as for assistant and anaesthesia services.

	Asst	Anae
E003 Supportive care/Monitoring	6	4

#### Payment rules:

**1.**For E003B, the assistants' premiums apply as for assistants' services.

**2.** Anaesthesia extra units listed on GP97 are *not eligible for payment* with E003C.

3.E003B is not eligible for payment for second assistant services.

#### **OTHER PREMIUMS**

#### INTENSIVE OR CORONARY CARE UNIT PREMIUM

C101 For each patient seen on a vis	it to ICU or CCU (subject to the	
exceptions set out below)	add	9.10

#### **Payment rules:**

C101 is *not eligible for payment* with Supportive Care or with Critical Care, Ventilatory Care, Comprehensive Care, Acquired Brain Injury Management or Neonatal Intensive Care where team fees are claimed.

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#### [Commentary:

C101 is also payable alone when no other separate fee is payable for the service provided in the ICU or CCU (e.g. post-operative care by surgeon).]

#### INTERNAL MEDICINE OFFICE ASSESSMENT PREMIUM

The Internal Medicine Office Assessment Premium is payable automatically to an eligible physician subject to the definitions and rules described below.

#### **Definitions:**

"Qualifying services" means A133, A134, A131, and A138.

"Fiscal year" means April 1 - March 31st.

"Qualifying year" means the *fiscal year* preceding the date of determination of eligibility.

"Date of determination of eligibility" means the date upon which the General Manager determines that the conditions for payment in (1) or (2) below, have been met.

#### Payment rules:

For the *12 month period* following the date of determination of eligibility for the premium, the amount payable to a physician shall be automatically increased by 12% for the qualifying services in the following circumstances:

**1.** The physician is practicing solely as a general internist and has submitted all claims using the specialty designation of Internal Medicine (13) in the qualifying year.

#### HOSPITALIST PREMIUM

The Hospitalist premium is payable automatically to an eligible physician subject to the definitions and rules described below.

#### Definitions:

"Qualifying services" means E082, C122, C123, C124, C002, C007, C009, C132, C137, C139, C142, C143, A/C933, and C882/C982.

"Fiscal year" means April 1 - March 31st.

"Qualifying year" means the *fiscal year* preceding the date of determination of eligibility, except in cases where the physician has taken a pregnancy or parental leave during this period as confirmed by an application to the Pregnancy and Parental Leave Benefits Program. In such cases, "Qualifying year" means the most recent fiscal year not impacted by the leave.

"Date of determination of eligibility" means the date upon which the General Manager determines that the conditions for payment in (1), (2), and (3) below, have been met.

#### Payment rules:

For the *12 month period* following the date of determination of eligibility for the premium, the amount payable to a physician shall be automatically increased by 17% for all qualifying services except for E082 in the following circumstances:

- 1. The physician has provided at least 1500 qualifying services in the qualifying year; and
- **2.** The physician has provided at least one qualifying service per day on at least 110 days in the qualifying year; and
- 3. The physician is a General and Family Practice (00) or an Internal Medicine (13) specialist.

#### AFTER HOURS PROCEDURE PREMIUMS

These premiums are payable only when the following criteria are met:

a. the service provided is one of the following:

Non-elective Surgical Procedures (including fractures or dislocations), Obstetrical Deliveries, Clinical Procedures Associated with Diagnostic Radiological Examinations, Ground Ambulance Transfer (K101), Air Ambulance Transfer (K111), Transport of Donor Organs (K102), Return Trip (K112), or one of the following Major Invasive Procedures:

G060, G061, G062, G065, G066, G067, G068, G082, G083, G085, G090, G099, G117, G118, G119, G125, G176, G177, G178, G179, G211, G224, G246, G248, G249, G260, G261, G262, G263, G268, G269, G275, G277, G279, G280, G282, G287, G288, G290, G297, G298, G303, G309, G322, G323, G324, G330, G331, G336, G347, G348, G349, G356, G376, G379, G380, G509, J001 to J068, and X112 when required for intussusception

and;

**b.** the procedure is either (a) non-elective; or (b) an elective procedure which, because of an intervening surgical emergency procedure(s) was delayed and commenced between:

#### **Emergency Department Physician**

E412 Evenings (17:00h – 24:00h) Monday to Friday or daytime and	
evenings on Saturdays, Sundays, Holidays - increase the	
procedural fee(s) by	20%
E413 Nights $(00:00h - 07:00h)$ - increase the procedural fee(s) by .	40%

#### Physician – other than an Emergency Department Physician

E409 Evenings (17:00h – 24:00h) Monday to Friday or daytime and	
evenings on Saturdays, Sundays, Holidays - increase the	
procedural fee(s) by	50%
E410 Nights (00:00h – 07:00h) - increase the procedural fee(s) by .	75%

#### Payment rules:

- **1.** E409/E410 is not payable for a procedure rendered by an Emergency Department Physician
- 2. E412/E413 is only payable for a procedure rendered by an Emergency Department Physician who at the time the service was rendered is required to submit claims using "H" prefix emergency services.

#### [Commentary:

See General Preamble GP50 for definitions and conditions for Emergency Department Physician.]

### AFTER HOURS SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUMS FOR DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES

All special visit premiums are subject to the maximums, limitations and conditions set out in the "Special Visit Premium Table" applicable in the circumstances.

Subject to the provision set out below, these special visit premiums are eligible for payment for nonelective services rendered by *specialist*s in Diagnostic Radiology, Radiation Oncology or Nuclear Medicine for an acute care hospital in-patient, out-patient or emergency department patient for services listed in the following sections of the Schedule:

Nuclear Medicine, Radiation Oncology, Diagnostic Radiology, Clinical Procedures Associated with Diagnostic Radiology Examinations, Magnetic Resonance Imaging and Diagnostic Ultrasound.

When a physician providing one or more of the foregoing non-elective services renders a special visit (as defined under "Special Visit" page GP65) in the hospital during the time periods set out below for the purpose of interpreting the results of a diagnostic service, performing a procedure, rendering a diagnostic radiology or nuclear medicine consultation or to conclude that a procedure is not medically indicated, a special visit premium is eligible for payment payable in addition to the appropriate diagnostic radiology or nuclear medicine consultation, interpretation, or procedural fee, or by itself if the decision is made not to perform the procedure.

#### **Payment rules:**

- **1.** These special visit premiums are *not eligible for payment* for services rendered outside of a hospital, for example via PACS.
- **2.**Only one special visit person seen premium is eligible for payment per patient regardless of the number of eligible services rendered during the same special visit for that patient.
- **3.** These special visit premiums are *not eligible for payment* in addition to any other special visit premium for the same special visit.
- **4.** For the purpose of interpreting the results of a diagnostic service or performing a diagnostic service, these special visit premiums are *only eligible for payment* if the request for the interpretation relates to a patient's condition requiring urgent interpretation that affects the patient's management.

#### [Commentary:

The specific requirements for special visits are found on pages GP65 to GP78.]

## SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUM TABLE - NON ELECTIVE DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES

#### Non-elective Diagnostic Services

Premium	Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00)	Nights (00:00- 07:00)
Travel Premium	\$36.40 C102 (max. 2 per time period)	\$36.40 C103 (max. 6 per time period)	\$36.40 C104 (no max. per time period)
First person seen	\$60.00 C109 (max. 2 per time period)	\$75.00 C108 (max. 6 per time period)	\$100.00 C110 (no max. per time period)
Additional person(s) seen	\$60.00 C105 (max. 2 per time period)	\$75.00 C106 (max. 6 per time period)	\$100.00 C107 (no max. per time period)

## [Commentary:

For the purposes of non-elective diagnostic services special visit premiums, first person seen and additional person(s) seen mean the eligible diagnostic service(s) rendered for each individual patient.]

### **OTHER PREMIUMS**

#### AFTER HOURS SPECIAL VISIT PREMIUMS

The following premiums are payable for providing management and supervision of continuous catheter infusions for analgesia for a hospital in-patient (G247) rendered during the time periods set out below:

E402 Evenings (17:00h – 24:00h) Monday to Friday or daytime and evenings on Saturday, Sunday or Holidays ...... add 40%

E403 Nights (00:00h - 07:00h) ..... add 50%

### [Commentary:

For additional information, refer to the Nerve Blocks for Acute Pain Management section of the Schedule.]

### AFTER HOURS PREMIUMS FOR URGENT CT/MRI INTERPRETATION

Subject to the provisions set out below, these premiums are payable in addition to the CT or MRI services listed in the Diagnostic Radiology and Magnetic Resonance Imaging sections of the Schedule for interpreting a CT and/or MRI study on an urgent basis via a picture archiving and communication system (PACS), using diagnostic workstations and monitors consistent with Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine (DICOM) standards. The physician must be physically present in Ontario at a location other than the hospital where the patient receives the CT or MRI study and provide the interpretation via PACS, including review of any relevant prior images available through the PACS.

#### Evenings, Weekend/Holiday and Nights

E406 Evenings (17:00h - 24:00h) Monday to Friday	60.00
E407 Saturdays, Sundays or Holidays daytime and evenings	
(07:00h - 24:00h)	75.00
E408 Nights (00:00h - 07:00h)	100.00

#### Payment rules:

- **1.** These premiums are *only eligible for payment* for an urgent CT or MRI interpretation for an acute care hospital in-patient, emergency department or Hospital Urgent Care Clinic patient and only if the following requirements are satisfied:
  - **a**.the *referral* for the interpretation relates to a patient's condition that requires urgent interpretation of a CT or MRI study for the urgent management of the patient;
  - **b**.the *referral* is from a physician or oral and maxillofacial surgeon who has privileges at the hospital where the service is rendered;
  - **c.**the interpreting physician has radiology privileges at the hospital where the request for the service originates; and
  - **d**.the interpretation is transmitted to the referring provider within three hours of the completion of the CT/MRI study.

#### Note:

If the request for interpretation occurs prior to an eligible after hours period, but the interpretation cannot be provided prior to that eligible after hours period due to factors beyond the control of the interpreting physician, these premiums remain eligible for payment if the payment rules are otherwise satisfied.

**2.**E406, E407 and E408 are limited to a maximum of one per patient, per physician, per day, regardless of the number of CT and/or MRI images interpreted for that patient.

**3.**After hours premiums in excess of the maximums listed in the After Hours Premium Table are *not eligible for payment*.

#### Medical record requirements:

These premiums are *only eligible for payment* if the patient's permanent medical record contains the following information:

- 1. The time of the request and the time of the transmission of the interpretation; and
- **2.**A description of any factors referred to in the note above.

#### AFTER HOURS PREMIUM TABLE – Urgent CT/MRI Services

Urgent CT/MRI Services			
Evenings (17:00- 24:00) Monday through Friday	Sat., Sun. and Holidays (07:00- 24:00)	Nights (00:00- 07:00)	
\$60.00 E406 (max. 2 per time period)	\$75.00 E407 (max. 6 per time period)	\$100.00 E408 (no max. per time period)	

#### **TRAUMA PREMIUM**

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

The trauma premium is payable for each of the services and units described below when:

- **a.** rendered either on the day of the trauma or within 24 hours of the trauma; and
- **b.** for trauma patients age 16 or more who have an Injury Severity Score (ISS) of greater than 15, or for patients less than age 16 who have an Injury Severity Score of greater than 12.
- E420 Trauma premium ..... add 50%

#### Payment rules:

- 1. The premium is applicable to the following services and units;
  - a. services listed in the Consultation and Visits Section (Section A of the Schedule);
  - b. services listed in the Obstetrics Section (Section K of the Schedule);
  - c. services listed in the Surgical Procedures section (Section M through Z of the Schedule);
  - d. the following resuscitative services: G395, G391, G521, G522 and G523.
  - e. basic and time units provided by surgical assistants; or
  - f. basic and time units provided by anaesthesiologists.
- 2. The premium is payable only for the services for which the medical record lists the ISS score.

#### Claims submission instruction:

For claims payment purposes, the trauma premium and associated services must be submitted on the same claim record.

#### [Commentary:

Other special visit and after hours premiums are payable with services eligible for the trauma premium in accordance with the Schedule. However, the trauma premium is not applicable to these services.]

## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT ALTERNATIVE FUNDING AGREEMENTS

When one or more physicians have contracted with the *MOH* to provide insured physician services under an emergency department alternative funding agreement (ED AFA) in lieu of fee-for-service payments under the Schedule, then no insured service encompassed by the contract relating to the emergency department alternative funding agreement is payable, whether or not the physician who renders the service is a party to the contract unless the physician is/are:

- **a.** a second on-call physician who either does or does not participate in the ED AFA and who can submit fee-for-service claims under the hospital's ED AFA second on-call group number;
- **b.** general practitioner experts ('GP Experts') who, in accordance with the ED AFA, are entitled to submit fee-for-service claims under the hospital's ED AFA GP Expert group number; or
- **c.** the patient's general/family physician only for services payable as A100 General/Family Physician Emergency Department Assessment.

## DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES ORDERED BY PERSONS OTHER THAN PHYSICIANS

#### **Midwives and Aboriginal Midwives**

Diagnostic ultrasound for normal, complicated or high-risk pregnancy (but not for the postpartum period) rendered in an *ICHSC* or hospital is insured when referred by a midwife or aboriginal midwife.

#### **Nurse Practitioners**

Diagnostic procedures listed in the Diagnostic Radiology, Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), Diagnostic Ultrasound, Pulmonary Function Studies, and Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures sections of the *Schedule* and rendered in an *ICHSC*, or a hospital, are insured when referred by a *nurse practitioner* if the *nurse practitioner* is either authorized to order the test under the *Nursing Act* or permitted to order the test in accordance with the regulations under the *Regulated Health Professions Act*.

Diagnostic procedures listed in the Electrocardiography section of the *Schedule* rendered in any clinical setting are insured when referred by a *nurse practitioner* if the *nurse practitioner* is either authorized to order the test under the *Nursing Act* or permitted to order the test in accordance with the regulations under the *Regulated Health Professions Act*.

#### **Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons**

Diagnostic procedures listed in the Nuclear Medicine, Diagnostic Radiology, Magnetic Resonance Imagine (MRI), Diagnostic Ultrasound, and Pulmonary Function Studies sections of the *Schedule* and rendered in a hospital are insured when referred by an *oral and maxillofacial surgeon* if the *oral and maxillofacial surgeon* is either authorized to order the test under the *Dentistry Act* or permitted to order the test in accordance with the regulations under the *Regulated Health Professions Act*, and the test is rendered:

- **a.** in connection with a dental surgical procedure provided by an *oral and maxillofacial surgeon* in a hospital and it is medically necessary for the patient to receive the dental surgical procedure in a hospital; or
- **b.** on the order of an *oral and maxillofacial surgeon* who has reasonable grounds to believe that a dental surgical procedure, performed by an *oral and maxillofacial surgeon*, will be required in connection with the test and that it will be medically necessary for the patient to receive the dental surgical procedure in a hospital.

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#### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

#### Special family and general practice consultation

This service is a consultation rendered by a GP/FP physician who provides all the elements of a consultation and spends a minimum of fifty (50) minutes of direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

A911 Special family and general practice consultation...... 150.70

### Comprehensive family and general practice consultation

This service is a consultation rendered by a GP/FP physician who provides all the elements of a consultation and spends a minimum of seventy-five (75) minutes of direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

A912 Comprehensive family and general practice consultation ..... 226.05

#### Payment rules:

- **1.**For A911 and A912, the start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to a lesser paying fee.
- **2.**No other consultation, assessment, visit or counselling service is eligible for payment when rendered the same day as one of A911 or A912 to the same patient by the same physician.

#### [Commentary:

1.A911 and A912 must satisfy all the elements of a consultation (see page GP16).

**2.** The calculation of the 50 minute and 75 minute minimum for special and comprehensive consultations respectively excludes time devoted to any other service or procedure for which an amount is payable in addition to the consultation.]

#### Special palliative care consultation

A special *palliative care* consultation is a consultation requested because of the need for specialized management for *palliative care* where the physician spends a minimum of 50 minutes with the patient and/or patient's representative/family in consultation (majority of time must be spent in consultation with the patient). In addition to the general requirements for a consultation, the service includes a psychosocial assessment, comprehensive review of pharmacotherapy, appropriate counselling and consideration of appropriate community services, where indicated.

#### Payment rules:

- **1.**Start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to a lesser paying fee.
- **2.** When the duration of a *palliative care* consultation (A945 or C945) exceeds 50 minutes, one or more units of K023 are payable in addition to A945 or C945, provided that the minimum time requirements for K023 are met. The time periods for A945 or C945 and K023 are mutually exclusive (i.e. the start time for determination of minimum time requirements for K023 occurs 50 minutes after start time for A945 or C945).

A905	Limited consultation	73.25
A006	Repeat consultation	45.90

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	07.05
A003 General assessment	87.35
Note:	
A003 is not eligible for payment for an assessment provided in the pati	ient's <i>home</i> .
<b>[Commentary:</b> Electrocardiography (i.e. G310, G313) and pulmonary function test ser J324, J327) are not payable when rendered to a patient who does not h an indication supported by current clinical practice guidelines relevant to circumstances.]	ave symptoms, signs or
A004 General re-assessment	38.35
Note:	
The papanicolaou smear is included in the consultation, repeat consulta assessment (or re-assessment), or routine post natal visit when pelvic part of the foregoing services. However, the add-on codes E430 or E43 addition to these services when a papanicolaou smear is performed out	examination is normal 31 can be billed in
A001 Minor assessment	23.75
A007 Intermediate assessment or well baby care	37.95
A002 Enhanced 18 month well baby visit (see General Preamble	
GP34)	62.20
<ul> <li>Note:</li> <li><b>1.</b>Special visit premiums listed in Table VI on page GP75 of this Sched payment with A007 or A001 when rendered in a patient's home.</li> </ul>	lule are not eligible for
<ul> <li>2.For A007 or A001 rendered in a patient's home, travelling to and from as a common element of the insured service. See page GP13 of this</li> <li>3.See the Definitions section of this Schedule for the definition of home</li> </ul>	Schedule.
Mini assessment	
A mini assessment is rendered when an assessment of a patient for ar problem is performed during the same visit as an assessment of a WS which only a minor assessment was rendered.	
A008 Mini assessment	13.05
	10.00
<b>[Commentary:</b> A008 is only payable when the WSIB component of the visit is the serv In circumstances where a different service or a higher level of assessm not payable in addition.]	vice described as A001.
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For definitions and payment rules - see General Preamble GP21.

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### [Commentary:

Electrocardiography (i.e. G310, G313) and pulmonary function test services (i.e.J301, J304, J324, J327) are not payable when rendered to a patient who does not have symptoms, signs or an indication supported by generally accepted clinical practice guidelines relevant to the individual patient's circumstances.]

#### Emergency department equivalent - partial assessment

An *emergency department equivalent* - partial assessment is an assessment rendered in an *emergency department equivalent* on a Saturday, Sunday or *Holiday* for the purpose of dealing with an emergency.

A888 Emergency department equivalent - partial assessment...... 37.95

#### [Commentary:

For services described by *emergency department equivalent* - partial assessment, the only fee code payable is A888.]

#### Payment rules:

**1.** Hypnotherapy or counselling rendered to the same patient by the same physician on the same day as A888 are *not eligible for payment*.

2.No premiums are payable for a service rendered in an *emergency department equivalent*.

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#### Complex house call assessment

A complex house call assessment is a primary care service rendered in a patient's *home* to a patient that is considered either a frail elderly patient or a housebound patient. The service provided must satisfy, at a minimum, all of the requirements of an intermediate assessment.

#### Payment rules:

- **1.** A complex house call assessment is *only eligible for payment* for the first person seen during a single visit to the same location.
- **2.**A900 is *not eligible for payment* unless the patient is a frail elderly patient or a housebound patient.

#### Note:

**1.**For the purposes of A900, a frail elderly patient is a patient who is 65 years of age or over who has one or more of the following:

- a. Complex medical management needs, that may include polypharmacy;
- b.Cognitive impairment (e.g. dementia or delirium);
- c.Age-related reduced mobility or falls; or
- d.Unexplained functional decline not otherwise specified.
- **2.**For the purposes of A900, a housebound patient is a patient who meets all the following criteria:
  - **a.** The person has difficulty in accessing office-based primary health care services because of medical, physical, cognitive, or psychosocial needs/conditions;
  - **b**.Transportation and other strategies to remedy the access difficulties have been considered but are not available or not appropriate in the person's circumstances; and
  - **c**. The person's care and support requirements can be effectively and appropriately delivered at home.

#### [Commentary:

**1.**A900 is payable when rendered in the patient's home or an assisted living or retirement residence.

2.A900 is not payable when rendered in a long-term care home.]

#### Medical record requirements:

Complex house call assessment is not payable if the medical record does not:

1.Demonstrate that an intermediate assessment was rendered; and

2. Demonstrate that the patient was a frail elderly or housebound patient.

#### House call assessment - Pronouncement of death in the home

A house call assessment - Pronouncement of death in the *home* is the service rendered when a physician pronounces a patient dead in a *home*. This service includes completion of the death certificate and counselling of any relatives which may be rendered during the same visit.

A902 House call assessment - Pronouncement of death in the home 54.50

#### Claims submission instructions:

Submit the claim using the diagnostic code for the underlying cause of death as recorded on the death certificate.

#### Note:

For special visit premiums, please see pages GP65 to GP78 of the General Preamble.

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## On-call admission assessment

On-call admission assessment is the first hospital in-patient admission general assessment per patient per 30-day period if:

- **a.** the physician is a general practitioner or family physician participating in the hospital's oncall roster whether or not the physician is on-call the day the service is rendered;
- b. the admission is non-elective; and
- c. the physician is the most responsible physician with respect to subsequent in-patient care.

The amount payable for any additional on-call admission assessment rendered by the same physician to the same patient in the same 30-day period is reduced to the amount payable for a general re-assessment.

### General/Family physician emergency department assessment

General/Family physician emergency department assessment is an assessment of a patient that satisfies as a minimum the requirements of an intermediate assessment and is rendered by the patient's general/family physician in an emergency department funded under an Emergency Department Alternative Funding Agreement (ED-AFA). For that visit, the service includes any re-assessment of the patient by the general/family physician in the emergency department and any appropriate collaboration with the emergency department physician. The service is *only eligible for payment* when the general/family physician's attendance is required because of the complexity, obscurity or seriousness of the patient's condition.

A100 General/Family physician emergency department assessment 76.90

#### Payment rules:

No other service (including special visit or other premiums) rendered by the same physician to the same patient during the same visit to the emergency department is eligible for payment with this service.

#### Claims submission instructions:

For claims payment purposes, the hospital master number associated with the emergency department must be submitted on the claim.

#### [Commentary:

- **1.**Services described as A100 rendered in an emergency department not funded under an ED-AFA may be payable under other existing fee *schedule* codes.
- **2.** In the event the patient is subsequently admitted to hospital, and the general/family physician remains the *MRP* for the patient, the General/Family Physician emergency department assessment constitutes the admission assessment. see General Preamble GP41 for additional information.]

#### Certification of death

Certification of death is payable to the physician who personally completes the death certificate on a patient who has been pronounced dead by another physician, medical resident or other authorized health professional. Claims submitted for this service must include the diagnostic code for the underlying cause of death as recorded on the death certificate. The service *may include* any counselling of relatives that is rendered at the same visit. Certification of death rendered in conjunction with A902 or A777/C777 is an insured service payable at nil.

A771 Certification of death	
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A777	Intermediate assessment - Pronouncement of death (see	
	General Preamble GP27)	

## Certification of stillbirth

Certification of stillbirth is payable to the physician who personally completes the Medical Certificate of Stillbirth. The service may include any counselling of family members that is rendered at the same visit.

### **Claims submission instructions:**

For claims payment purposes, the Health Card Number of the patient experiencing the stillbirth must be submitted on the claim.

## Periodic health visit for adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD)

### Definition/Required elements of service:

A periodic health visit for adults with IDD is a service performed on an adult with IDD that consists of an intermediate assessment, appropriate history, physical examination, health screening and relevant counselling, and a coordinated care and management plan consistent with the current Canadian consensus guidelines on the primary care of adults with IDD.

The service must include:

- **a.** Evaluation for and identification of any need for special accommodations in clinical settings as well as other health care access issues,
- b. Proactive review of the patient's genetic and psychosocial risks,
- c. Review of any chronic diseases,
- d. Review of systems,
- e. An in-person physical examination that includes, at a minimum:
  - i. Measurement of vital signs including weight or waist circumference,
  - ii. Screening for abnormalities in hearing, vision, and dentition,
  - iii. Screening examination of musculoskeletal and neurological systems,
  - iv. Survey examination of skin,
  - v. Detailed examination of any part(s), region(s) or system(s) needed to make a diagnosis, and/or rule out disease as a contributing factor
- f. Documentation of a coordinated care and management plan,
- **g.** Written communication of the care and management plan to the patient and their guardian, legal representative or other caregiver

37.95

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## Payment rules:

- 1.K133 is limited to one per patient per 12 month period.
- **2.**Only one of K133, K131, or K132 is eligible for payment per patient per physician per *12 month period.*
- **3.** This service can be provided over multiple distinct time periods, however, a minimum of 50 minutes total time spent in direct contact with the patient is required. Start and stop times must be recorded for each time period related to the service. For payment purposes, the service date on the claim must be the date on which all requirements for the service have been completed. No other services are eligible for payment for time periods used to meet the time requirements of this service.
- **4.**While some aspects of K133 may be provided virtually, a minimum of 26 minutes must be provided through direct physical encounter(s).
- **5.**K133 is only payable when the patient has one of the following conditions (listed with ministry diagnostic codes):
  - a.Autism spectrum disorder (299)
  - b.Intellectual disability or Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (319)
  - c.Cerebral palsy (343)
  - d.Spina bifida, with or without hydrocephalus, meningocele, meningomyelocele (741)
  - **e.**Chromosomal anomalies such as Down's syndrome, Fragile X syndrome, other autosomal anomalies (758)

## Claims submission instructions:

A diagnostic code listed above that corresponds to the patient's condition must accompany the claim for payment purposes.

## [Commentary:

Guidelines relating to coordinated care and management plans can be found at: <u>https://www.cfp.ca/content/cfp/64/4/254.full.pdf</u>]

## Focused practice assessment (FPA)

FPA is an assessment rendered by a GP/FP physician, unless otherwise specified, with additional training and/or experience in sport medicine, allergy, pain management, sleep medicine, addiction medicine (including methadone) or care of the elderly (age 65 or older). The assessment must satisfy, at a minimum, all of the requirements of an intermediate assessment.

A917	Sport medicine FPA	37.95
A927	Allergy FPA	37.95
A937	Pain management FPA	37.95
A947	Sleep medicine FPA	37.95
A957	Addiction medicine FPA	37.95
A967	Care of the elderly FPA	37.95

## Payment rules:

- **1.**No other consultation, assessment, visit or counselling service is eligible for payment when rendered the same day as one of A917, A927, A937, A947, A957 or A967 to the same patient by the same physician.
- **2.**E079 is *not eligible for payment* with any FPA.

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**3.**A957 may also be billed by a *specialist* with additional training and/or experience in addiction medicine (including methadone).

#### [Commentary:

Physicians should be prepared to provide to the ministry documentation demonstrating training and/or experience on request.]

### Periodic oculo-visual assessment

S	ee General Preamble GP28 for definitions and conditions	
A110	aged 19 years and below	48.90
A112	aged 65 years and above	48.90

### Identification of patient for a major eye examination

Identification of patient for a major eye examination, is the service of determining that a patient aged 20 to 64 inclusive has a medical condition (other than diabetes mellitus, glaucoma, cataract, retinal disease, amblyopia, visual field defects, corneal disease, strabismus, recurrent uveitis or optic pathway disease) requiring a major eye examination and providing such a patient with a completed requisition.

E077 - identification of patient for a major eye examination.. add 10.25

### Note:

- **1.** This service is limited to a maximum of one every four fiscal years by the same physician for the same patient unless the patient seeks a major eye examination from an optometrist or general practitioner other than the one to whom the original requisition was provided.
- **2.** This service is limited to a maximum of one per fiscal year by any physician to the same patient.

## Major eye examination

A major eye examination is a complete evaluation of the eye and vision system for patients aged 20 to 64 inclusive. The examination must include the following elements:

- **a.** relevant history (ocular medical history, relevant past medical history, relevant family history)
- **b.** a comprehensive examination (visual acuity, gross visual field testing by confrontation, ocular mobility, slit lamp examination, ophthalmoscopy and, where indicated, ophthalmoscopy through dilated pupils and tonometry)
- c. visual field testing by the same physician where indicated
- d. refraction, and if needed, provision of a refractive prescription
- e. advice and instruction to the patient
- **f.** submission of the findings of the assessment in writing to the patient's primary care physician or by a *nurse practitioner*
- **g.** any other medically necessary components of the examination (including eye-related procedures) not specifically listed above.

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**1.** This service is only insured if the patient is described in (a) or (b) below:

**a.** A patient has one of the following medical conditions:

- i. diabetes mellitus, type 1 or type 2
- ii. glaucoma
- iii. cataract

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- iv. retinal disease
  - **v.** amblyopia
  - vi. visual field defects
  - vii.corneal disease
  - viii.strabismus
  - ix. recurrent uveitis
  - x. optic pathway disease; or
- **b.**The patient must have a valid "request for eye examination requisition" completed by another physician or by a *nurse practitioner*
- 2. This service is limited to one per patient per consecutive *12 month period* regardless of whether the first claim is or has been submitted for a major eye examination rendered by an optometrist or physician. Where the services described as comprising a major eye examination are rendered to the same patient more than once per 12 month period, the services remain insured and payable at a lesser assessment fee.
- **3.**Any service rendered by the same physician to the same patient on the same day that the physician renders a major eye examination is not eligible for payment.
- **4.** If all the elements of a major eye examination are not performed when a patient described in note 1 above attends for the service, the service remains insured but payable at a lesser assessment fee.
- **5.** The requisition is not valid following the end of the fiscal year (March 31) of the 5th year following the year upon which the requisition was completed.

## [Commentary:

Assessments rendered solely for the purpose of refraction for patients aged 20 to 64 are not insured services.]

## Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Assessment (MAMRA)

Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Assessment (MAMRA) is an assessment of a mother or newborn provided by a physician upon the written request of a midwife or aboriginal midwife because of the complex, obscure or serious nature of the patient's problem and is payable to a family physician or obstetrician for such an assessment in any setting.

Urgent or emergency requests may be initiated verbally but must subsequently be requested in writing. The written request must be retained on the patient's permanent medical record. The MAMRA must include the common and specific elements of a general or specific assessment and the physician must submit his/her findings, opinions and recommendations verbally to the midwife or aboriginal midwife and in writing to both the midwife or aboriginal midwife and the patient's primary care physician, if applicable. Maximum one per patient per physician per pregnancy.

A813 Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Assessment

## Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Special Assessment (MAMRSA)

Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Special Assessment must include constituent elements of A813 and is payable in any setting:

a. to a paediatrician for an urgent or emergency assessment of a newborn; or

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b. to a family physician or obstetrician for assessment of a mother or newborn when, because of the very complex, obscure or serious nature of the problem, the physician must spend at least 50 minutes in direct patient contact, exclusive of tests. The start and stop times of the assessment must be recorded on the patient's permanent medical record. In the absence of such information, the service is payable as A813. Maximum one per patient per physician per pregnancy.		
A815 Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Special Assessment (MAMRSA)	186.95	
NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES		
See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and othe patients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see G GP78.	•	
C005 Consultation	87.90	
C911 Special family and general practice consultation - subject to the same conditions as A911	150.70	
C912 Comprehensive family and general practice consultation - subject to the same conditions as A912	226.05	
C945 Special palliative care consultation - subject to the same conditions as A945	159.20	
C905 Limited consultation	74.25	
C006 Repeat consultation	45.90	
C003 General assessment	87.35	
C004 General re-assessment	38.35	
<ul> <li>C813 Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Assessment - subject to the same conditions as A813</li> <li>C815 Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Special Assessment - subject to the same conditions as A815</li> </ul>	111.70 186.95	
C903 Pre-dental/pre-operative general assessment (maximum of 2 per 12 month period)	65.05	
C904 Pre-dental/pre-operative assessment	33.70	
C933 On-call admission assessment - subject to the same conditions as A933	79.90	
C777 Intermediate assessment - Pronouncement of death - subject to the same conditions as A777	37.95	
C771 Certification of death - subject to the same conditions as A771	20.60	
C772 Certification of death - subject to the same conditions as A772	20.60	
Subsequent visits		
C002 - first five weeksper visit	34.10	
C007 - sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient		
per week) per visit	34.10	
C009 - after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	34.10	

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Subsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP) See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.			
C122 - day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15		
C123 - second day following the hospital assessment	61.15		
C124 - day of discharge	61.15		
, ,			
Subsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care A	Area		
See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.			
C142 - first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an	C4 45		
Intensive Care Area	61.15		
C143 - second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area	61.15		
an intensive Gale Alea	01.15		
C121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General			
Preamble GP43)per visit	34.10		
C008 Concurrent care per visit	34.10		
C010 Supportive careper visit	34.10		
C882 Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10		
Attendance at maternal delivery for care of high risk baby(ies)			
Attendance at maternal delivery for high risk baby(ies) requires constant attendance at the delivery of a baby expected to be at risk by a physician who is not a paediatrician, and includes an assessment of the <i>newborn</i> .			
H007 Attendance at maternal delivery for care of high risk baby(ies)	61.65		
<b>Payment rules:</b> This service is <i>not eligible for payment</i> if any other service is rendered by the same physician at the time of the delivery.			
H001 Newborn care in hospital and/or home	52.20		
Low birth weight baby care (uncomplicated)			
H002 - initial visit (per baby)	34.10		
H002 - subsequent visit	16.90		
	10.00		

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#### EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT PHYSICIAN

#### Note:

See General Preamble GP50 for definitions and conditions for Emergency Department Physician.

#### In-patient interim admission orders

In-patient interim admission orders is payable to an Emergency Department Physician who is on-call or on duty in the emergency department or Hospital Urgent Care Clinic for writing in-patient interim admission orders pending admission of a "non-elective" patient by a different *most responsible physician* (see General Preamble GP4).

#### Comprehensive assessment and care

Comprehensive assessment and care is a service rendered in an emergency department or Hospital Urgent Care Clinic that requires a full history (including systems review, past history, medication review and social/domestic evaluation), a full physical examination, concomitant treatment, and intermittent attendance on the patient over many hours as warranted by the patient's condition and ongoing evaluation of response to treatment.

It also includes the following as indicated:

- a. interpretation of any laboratory and/or radiological investigation; and
- **b.** any necessary liaison with the following: the family physician, family, other institution (e.g. nursing *home*), and other agencies (e.g. *Home* Care, VON, CAS, police, or detoxification centre).

#### [Commentary:

Re-assessments, where required, are payable in addition to this service if the criteria described in the *Schedule* are met.]

#### Multiple systems assessment

A multiple systems assessment is an assessment rendered in an emergency department or Hospital Urgent Care Clinic that includes a detailed history and examination of more than one system, part or region.

#### **Re-assessment**

A re-assessment is an assessment rendered in an emergency department or Hospital Urgent Care Clinic at least two hours after the original assessment or re-assessment (including appropriate investigation and treatment), which indicates that further care and/or investigation is required and performed.

#### Payment rules:

1. This service is *not eligible for payment* under any of the following circumstances:

a.for discharge assessments;

b.when the patient is admitted by the Emergency Department Physician; or

c.when the reassessment leads directly to a *referral* for consultation.

**2.** This service is limited to three per patient per day and two per physician per patient per day. Services in excess of these limits are *not eligible for payment*.

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H065 Consultation in Emergency Medicine	81.25
H105 In-patient interim admission orders	26.25

#### Note:

1.H105 is payable in addition to the initial consultation or assessment rendered in the emergency department or Hospital Urgent Care Clinic provided that each service is rendered separately by the Emergency Department Physician.

**2.**H105 is an insured service payable at nil if the hospital admission assessment is payable to the Emergency Department Physician.

#### Monday to Friday - Daytime (08:00h to 17:00h)

H102	Comprehensive assessment and care	43.05	
H103	Multiple systems assessment	40.00	
H101	Minor assessment	17.10	
H104	Re-assessment	17.10	
Мс	onday to Friday - Evenings (17:00h to 24:00h)		
H132	Comprehensive assessment and care	52.55	
H133	Multiple systems assessment	47.45	
	Minor assessment	20.95	
H134	Re-assessment	20.95	
Sa	Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays - Daytime and Evenings (08:00h to 24:00h)		
H152	Comprehensive assessment and care	66.15	
H153	Multiple systems assessment	58.90	
H151	Minor assessment	26.35	
H154	Re-assessment	26.35	
Nig	ghts (00:00h to 08:00h)		
H122	Comprehensive assessment and care	76.95	
H123	Multiple systems assessment	68.00	
	Minor assessment	30.70	
H124	Re-assessment	30.70	

- **3.**With the exception of ultrasound guidance, (J149) or emergency department investigative ultrasound (H100), ultrasound services listed in this Schedule rendered by an Emergency Department Physician are not eligible for payment.
- **4.**When any other service is rendered by the Emergency Department Physician in premium hours (and assessments may not be claimed), apply one of the following premiums per patient visit.

H112	- nights (00:00h to 08:00h)	35.15
H113	- daytime and evenings (08:00h to 24:00h) on Saturdays,	
	Sundays or Holidays	20.35

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## Emergency department investigative ultrasound

An Emergency Department investigative ultrasound is only eligible for payment when:

- **1.** the procedure is personally rendered by an Emergency Department Physician who meets standards for training and experience to render the service;
- 2. a *specialist* in Diagnostic Radiology is not available to render an urgent interpretation; and
- **3.** the procedure is rendered for a patient that is clinically suspected of having at least one of the following life-threatening conditions:
  - a. pericardial tamponade
  - b. cardiac standstill
  - c. intraperitoneal hemorrhage associated with trauma
  - d. ruptured abdominal aortic aneurysm
  - e. ruptured ectopic pregnancy

### Payment rules:

- **1.**H100 is limited to two (2) services per patient per day where the second service is rendered as a follow-up to the first service for the same condition(s).
- **2.** Services listed in the Diagnostic Ultrasound section of the *Schedule*, both technical and *professional components* are *not eligible for payment* to any physician when ultrasound images described by H100 are eligible for payment.

#### Note:

H100 is *only eligible for payment* when it is rendered using equipment that meets the following minimum technical requirements:

- **1.**Images must be of a quality acceptable to allow a different physician who meets standards for training and experience to render the service to arrive at the same interpretation;
- 2. Scanning capabilities must include B- and M-mode; and
- 3. The trans-abdominal probe must be at least 3.5 MHz or greater.

## Medical record requirements:

The service is *only eligible for payment* when the Emergency Department investigative ultrasound includes both a permanent record of the image(s) and an interpretative report.

## Claims submission instructions:

Claims in excess of two (2) services of H100 per day by the same physician for the same patient should be submitted using the manual review indicator and accompanied by supporting documentation.

## [Commentary:

1.See page GP50 for the definition of an "Emergency Department Physician".

2. Current standards and minimum requirements for training and experience for Emergency Department investigative ultrasound may be found at the Canadian Emergency Ultrasound Society website at the following internet link: http://www.ceus.ca.]

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## EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patient(s) in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

### NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

W105 Consultation	87.75
W911 Special family and general practice consultation - subject to the same conditions as A911	150.70
W912 Comprehensive family and general practice consultation -	150.70
subject to the same conditions as A912	226.05
W106 Repeat consultation	45.90
Admission assessment	
W102 - Type 1	69.35
W104 - Type 2	20.60
W107 - Type 3	30.70
W109 Periodic health visit	70.50
W777 Intermediate assessment - Pronouncement of death - subject	
to the same conditions as A777	37.95
W771 Certification of death - subject to same conditions as A771	20.60
W004 General re-assessment of patient in nursing home (per the	
Nursing Homes Act).	38.35
Note:	
W004 may be claimed 6 <i>month</i> s after Periodic health visit (per the	e Nursing Homes Act).
W903 Pre-dental/pre-operative general assessment (maximum of 2	
per 12 month period)	65.05
W904 Pre-dental/pre-operative assessment	33.70
Subsequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)	
Chronic care or convalescent hospital	
W002 - first 4 subsequent visits per patient per monthper visit	34.10
W001 - additional subsequent visits (maximum 4 per patient per	0.4.40
month)per visit	34.10
W882 - palliative care (see General Preamble GP50)per visit	34.10
Nursing <i>home</i> or <i>home</i> for the aged	
W003 - first 2 subsequent visits per patient per monthper visit	34.10
W008 - additional subsequent visits (maximum 2 per patient per	24.40
wonth)per visit W872 - palliative care (see General Preamble GP50)per visit	34.10 34.10
	54.10

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W121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
Preamble GP49)per visit	34.10
<i>Month</i> ly Management of a Nursing <i>Home</i> or <i>Home</i> for the Aged Patient	
W010 Monthly management fee (per patient per month) (see	
General Preamble GP51 to GP52)	115.25

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## Primary mental health care

Primary mental health care is not to be billed in conjunction with other con- rendered by a physician during the same patient visit unless there are clear diagnoses for the two services. Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof - Preamble GP7, GP54 to GP61 for definitions and time-keeping requirement K005 Individual care	arly different see General
<b>Counselling</b> Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof - see General Preamble GP7, GF	254 to GP61 for
definitions and time-keeping requirements.	
Individual care	
K013 - first three units of K013 and K040 combined per patient per provider per 12 month period per unit	70.10
K033 - additional units per patient per provider per 12 month period	49.35
Group counselling - 2 or more persons	
<ul> <li>K040 - where no group members have received more than 3 units of any counselling paid under codes K013 and K040 combined per provider per 12 month period per unit</li> </ul>	70.10
<ul> <li>K041 - additional units where any group member has received 3 or more units of any counselling paid under codes K013 and K040 combined per provider per 12 month period. per unit</li> </ul>	50.20
K014 Counselling for transplant recipients, donors or families of recipients and donors - 1 or more persons	70.10
	70.10
K015 Counselling of relatives - on behalf of catastrophically or terminally ill patient	70.40
- 1 or more persons per unit	70.10

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Chronic disease shared appointment

Definition /Required elements of service:

Chronic disease shared appointment is a pre-*schedule*d primary care service rendered for chronic disease management, to two or more patients with the same diagnosis of one of the diseases listed below, that consists of assessment and the provision of advice and information in respect of diagnosis, treatment, health maintenance and prevention.

Each patient must have an established diagnosis of one of the following chronic diseases:

- a. Diabetes
- b. Congestive Heart Failure
- c. Asthma
- d. Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
- e. Hypercholesterolemia
- f. Fibromyalgia

The physician must be in constant personal attendance for the duration of the appointment session, although another appropriately qualified health professional may lead parts of the educational component of the session (for example, a diabetic educator or nurse). In addition, a clinically appropriate assessment must be rendered to each patient by the same physician as a component of the chronic disease shared appointment.

This service has the same *specific elements* as an assessment.

## [Commentary:

A clinically appropriate assessment *may include* a brief history or examination of the affected part or region or related mental or emotional disorder.

Chronic disease shared appointment - per patient - maximum 8 units per patient per day

K140	- 2 patients	perunit	35.10
K141	- 3 patients	perunit	23.35
K142	- 4 patients	perunit	17.65
K143	- 5 patients	per unit	14.55
K144	- 6 to 12 patients	per unit	12.35

## [Commentary:

A claim must be submitted for each patient receiving a service. For example, if three patients are seen in a shared appointment, K141 is submitted for each patient. If four patients are seen, K142 is submitted for each patient.]

## Payment rules:

- **1.**Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof see General Preamble GP7, GP54 to GP61 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.
- 2. The service is only eligible for payment when:

a.the appointment is pre-scheduled; and

**b.**each patient regularly visits the physician or another physician in the same physician group for management of their chronic disease.

**3.**Chronic disease shared appointment rendered the same day as an additional assessment by the same physician to the same patient is *not eligible for payment* unless there are clearly defined different diagnoses for the two services.

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**4.**Chronic disease shared appointments are *only eligible for payment* for up to a maximum of twelve (12) patients per shared appointment.

#### Medical record requirements:

The service is *only eligible for payment* where the clinically appropriate assessment rendered on the same day is recorded in each patient's permanent medical record.

#### **Claims submission instructions:**

A locum tenens replacing an absent physician in the absent physician's office must submit claims under their own billing number.

#### [Commentary:

Chronic disease shared appointment does not apply to lectures.]

#### Psychotherapy

Includes narcoanalysis or psychoanalysis or treatment of sexual dysfunction - see General Preamble GP54.

#### Note:

Psychotherapy outside hospital and hypnotherapy may not be claimed as such when provided in conjunction with a consultation or other assessments rendered by a physician during the same patient visit unless there are clearly defined different diagnoses for the two services. Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof - see General Preamble GP7, GP54 to GP61 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.

K007 Individual care per unit	70.10
Group - per member - first 12 units per day	
K019 - 2 people per unit	35.10
K020 - 3 people per unit	23.35
K012 - 4 people per unit	17.65
K024 - 5 people per unit	
K025 - 6 to 12 people per unit	12.35
K010 - additional units per member (maximum 6 units per patient	<i>(</i> / <b>2 2</b>
per day) per unit	11.20
Family	
K004 - 2 or more family members in attendance at the same time	
per unit	76.10
Hypnotherapy	
Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof - see General Preambl	e GP7, GP54 to GP61 for
definitions and time-keeping requirements.	
K006 Individual care* per unit	70.10
Note:	
* May not be claimed in conjunction with delivery as the service	is included in the obstetrical
fees.	
Certification of mental illness	
See General Preamble GP34 for definitions and conditions.	
Form 1	
Application for psychiatric assessment in accordance with the $h$	Aental Health Act includes
necessary history, examination, notification of the patient, family	
completion of form.	
K623 Application for psychiatric assessment	117.05
Form 3	
Certification of involuntary admission in accordance with the <i>Me</i>	ntal Health Act includes
necessary history, examination, notification of the patient, family	
completion of form.	
K624 Certification of involuntary admission	144.15
K629 All other re-certification(s) of involuntary admission including	
completion of appropriate forms	42.70
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#### Note:

- **1.**A completed Form 1 Application by a Physician For Psychiatric Assessment retained on the patient's medical record is sufficient documentation to indicate that a consultation for involuntary psychiatric treatment has been requested by the referring physician.
- **2.**Consultations or assessments claimed in addition to certification or re-certification same day are payable at nil.
- **3.**Certification of incompetence (financial) including assessment to determine incompetence is not an insured service (see Appendix A).

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## Community treatment order (CTO)

CTO Services - are time-based all-inclusive services payable per patient to one or more physicians for the purpose of personally initiating, supervising and renewing a CTO. Eligible physicians include both the *most responsible physician* and any physician identified in the Community Treatment Plan (CTP). Each physician will individually submit claims for only those insured CTO services personally rendered by that physician. Services rendered by persons other than the physician who submits the claim are payable at nil.

In addition to the *common elements* of insured services and the *specific elements* of any service listed under "Family Practice & Practice In General" in the "Consultations and Visits" section, CTO services include:

- **a.** all consultations and visits with the patient, family or substitute decision-maker for the purpose of mandatory assessment of the patient in support of initiation, renewal, or termination of the CTO;
- **b.** interviews with the patient, family or substitute decision-maker to give notice of entitlement to legal and rights advice or to obtain informed consent under the *Health Care Consent Act*;
- **c.** all consultations, assessments and other visits including psychotherapy, psychiatric care, interviews, counselling or hypnotherapy with the patient family or substitute decision-maker pertaining to on-going clinical management of the patient under a CTO;
- d. preparation of a CTP, including any necessary chart review and clinical correspondence;
- e. participation in *schedule*d or un*schedule*d case conferences or other meetings with one or more health care providers, community service providers, other persons identified in the CTP, legal counsel and rights advisors relating to initiation, supervision or renewal of a CTO;
- **f.** providing advice, direction or information by telephone, electronic or other means in response to an inquiry from the patient, family, substitute decision-maker, health care providers, community service providers, other persons identified in the CTP, legal counsel and rights advisors relating to initiation, renewal or on-going supervision of a CTO; and
- g. completion of CTO related forms, including but not limited to Form 45 CTO Initiation or Renewal, Form 47 Order for Examination and related forms or notices regarding notice of rights advice and notice of 2<sup>nd</sup> renewal to Consent and Capacity Board.

The following insured services and any associated premiums are not considered CTO services and may be claimed separately:

- **a.** assessments and special visits for emergent call to the emergency department or to a hospital in-patient;
- **b.** services related to application for psychiatric assessment or certification of involuntary admission;
- **c.** services relating to assessment and treatment of a medical condition or diagnosis unrelated to the CTO; and
- **d.** in-patient services, except those directly related to mandatory assessment for the purpose of initiating a CTO.

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Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof - see General Preamble GP7, GP54 to GP61 for Definitions and time-keeping requirements. A single all-inclusive claim for CTO Initiation or CTO Renewal is submitted once per patient per physician per initiation or renewal in any six *month* period on an Independent Consideration basis. A single all-inclusive claim for CTO Supervision is submitted once per patient per *month* on an Independent Consideration basis. The form provided by the *MOH* for elapsed times must be completed and submitted with each claim and a copy retained on the patient's permanent medical record. The total number of allowable units rendered per claim shall be determined by adding the actual elapsed time of each insured activity rounded to the nearest minute, dividing by 30 and rounding to the nearest whole unit. In the absence of a claim in accordance with these requirements, the amount payable for CTO services is nil.

K887 CTO initiation including completion of the CTO form and all preceding CTO services directly related to CTO initiation.	
per unit	94.55
K888 CTO supervision including all associated CTO services except	
those related to initiation or renewal per unit	94.55
K889 CTO renewal including completion of the CTO form and all	
preceding CTO services directly related to CTO renewal .	
per unit	94.55

#### Note:

**1.** Travel to visit an insured person within the usual geographic area of the physician's practice is a common element of insured services. Time units for any CTO services based in whole or in part on travel time are therefore insured but payable at nil.

**2.** Travel time and expenses related to appearances before the Consent and Capacity Board are not insured.

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#### Interviews

	Interviews are not eligible for payment when the information being obtained is part of the
	history normally included in the consultation or assessment of the patient. The interview must
	be a booked, separate appointment lasting at least 20 minutes. Unit means ½ hour or major
	part thereof - see General Preamble GP7, GP54 to GP61 for definitions and time-keeping
	requirements.
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K002 I	nterviews with relatives or a person who is au	uthorized to make	
	a treatment decision on behalf of the patie	nt in accordance	
	with the Health Care Consent Act	per unit	70.10
	yment rules:		
KU	02 is only eligible for navment if the physicia	n can demonstrate that	tha nurnaed at the

K002 is *only eligible for payment* if the physician can demonstrate that the purpose of the interview is not for the sole purpose of obtaining consent.

K003 Interviews with Children's Aid Society (CAS) or legal guardian	
on be half of the patient in accordance with the Health Care	
Consent Act conducted for a purpose other than to obtain	
consent per unit	70.10

#### Note:

K002, K003 are claimed using the patient's health number and diagnosis. These listings apply to situations where medically necessary information cannot be obtained from or given to the patient or guardian, e.g. because of illness, incompetence, etc.

K008 Diagnostic interview and/or counselling with child and/or parent for psychological problem or learning disabilities

..... per unit 70.10

#### Note:

K008 is claimed using the *child*'s health number. Psychological testing is not an insured service.

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#### Multidisciplinary cancer conference

A multidisciplinary cancer conference (MCC) is a service conducted for the purpose of discussing and directing the management of one or more cancer patients where the physician is in attendance either in person, by telephone or videoconference as a participant or chairperson in accordance with the defined roles and minimum standards established by Ontario Health.

K708 MCC Participant, per patient	32.45
K709 MCC Chairperson, per patient	41.85
K710 MCC Radiologist Participant, per patient	32.45
K711 MCC Nuclear Medicine Participant for patients requiring PET	
scan, per patient	32.45

## Payment rules:

1.K708, K709, K710, and K711 are only eligible for payment in circumstances where:

- **a.**the MCC meets the minimum standards, including attendance requirements, established by Ontario Health; and
- **b.**the MCC is pre-*schedule*d.
- 2.K708, K709, K710, and K711 are eligible for payment for each patient discussed where the total time of discussion for all patients meets the minimum time requirements described in the table below, otherwise the number of patients for K708, K709, K710, and K711 are payable will be adjusted to correspond to the overall time of discussion.
- **3.**K708, K710, and K711 are *only eligible for payment* if the physician is actively participating in the case conference, and their participation is documented in the record.
- **4.**K708, K710, and K711 are each limited to a maximum of 5 services per patient per day, any physician.
- **5.**K708, K710, and K711 are each limited to a maximum of 8 services, per physician, per day.
- 6. Only K708 or K709 or K710 or K711 is eligible for payment to the same physician, same day.
- 7.K709 is limited to a maximum of 8 services per physician, per day.
- 8. Any other insured service rendered during a MCC is not eligible for payment.
- **9.**K708, K709, K710, and K711 are *not eligible for payment* where a physician receives payment, other than by fee-for-service under this *Schedule*, for the preparation and/or participation in a MCC.
- **10.** K708 and K709 are *not eligible for payment* to physicians from the following specialties: Radiation Oncology (34), Diagnostic Radiology (33) and Laboratory Medicine (28).
- 11. K710 is only eligible for payment to physicians from Diagnostic Radiology (33).

12.K711 is only eligible for payment to physicians from Nuclear Medicine (63).

## Medical record requirements:

- 1. identification of the patient and physician participants;
- 2.total time of discussion for all patients discussed; and

3. the outcome or decision of the case conference related to each of the patients discussed.

- 1. The 2006 Multidisciplinary Cancer Conference standards can be found at the Ontario Health website at the following internet link: https://www.cancercareontario.ca/en/content/ multidisciplinary-cancer-conference-standards
- **2.** "Payment, other than by fee-for-service" includes compensation where the physician receives remuneration under a salary, primary care, stipend, APP or AFP model.

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**3.**One common medical record in the patient's chart for the MCC that indicates the physician participants (including listing the time the service commenced and terminated and individual attendance times for each participant if different) would satisfy the medical record requirements for billing purposes.]

- 1. The time spent per patient does not have to be 10 minutes. For example, if the physician participates in discussion about three patients and patient A is discussed for 5 minutes, patient B is discussed for 15 minutes and patient C for 10 minutes, the total time of discussion is 30 minutes and a claim may be submitted for each of the three patients. The time spent at the MCC should be recorded as 30 minutes.
- **2.** If the physician participates in a discussion about four patients and the total time of discussion is 20 minutes the physician should only submit a claim for two patients.
- **3.**A physician can only be either a chairperson, participant or radiologist participant on any given day.]

Number of Patients Discussed	Minimum Total Time of Discussion
1 patient	10 minutes
2 patients	20 minutes
3 patients	30 minutes
4 patients	40 minutes
5 patients	50 minutes
6 patients	60 minutes
7 patients	70 minutes
8 patients	80 minutes

## CASE CONFERENCES

#### PREAMBLE

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

Where the conditions set out in this *Schedule* are met, a case conference is an insured service despite paragraph 6 of s. 24(1) of Regulation 552. A case conference is a pre-*schedule*d meeting, conducted for the purpose of discussing and directing the management of an individual patient. The required elements are applicable for all case conferences, except in circumstances where these requirements are modified for specific case conferences, as indicated. A case conference:

- **a.** must be conducted by personal attendance, videoconference or by telephone (or any combination thereof);
- **b.** must involve at least 2 other participants who meet the eligible participant requirements as indicated in the specific listed case conference services; and
- **c.** at least one of the physician participants is the physician most responsible for the care of the patient.

#### [Commentary:

Case conferences for educational purposes such as rounds, journal club, group learning sessions, or continuing professional development, or any meeting where the conference is not for the purpose of discussing and directing the management of an individual patient is not a case conference.]

For case conferences where the time unit is defined in 10 minute increments, the following payment rules and medical record requirements are applicable, except in circumstances where these requirements are modified for specific listed case conference services, as indicated.

#### Note:

"Regulated social worker" refers to a social worker regulated under the *Social Work and Social Service Work Act* and who holds a current certificate of registration from the Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers.

Case conferences are time based services calculated in time units of 10 minute increments. In calculating time unit(s), the minimum time required is based upon consecutive time spent participating in the case conference as follows:

# Units	Minimum time
1 unit	10 minutes
2 units	16 minutes
3 units	26 minutes
4 units	36 minutes
5 units	46 minutes
6 units	56 minutes
7 units	66 minutes [1h 6m]
8 units	76 minutes [1h 16m]

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## Payment rules:

- **1.**A case conference is *only eligible for payment* if the physician is actively participating in the case conference, and the physician's participation is evident in the record.
- **2.**A case conference is *only eligible for payment* in circumstances where there is a minimum of 10 minutes of patient related discussion.
- 3.A case conference is only eligible for payment if the case conference is pre-scheduled.
- 4. Any other insured service rendered during a case conference is not eligible for payment.
- **5.**A case conference is *not eligible for payment* in circumstances where the required participants necessary to meet the minimum requirements of the case conference service receive remuneration, in whole or in part, from the physician claiming the service.
- **6.** The case conference is *not eligible for payment* to a physician who receives payment, other than by fee-for-service under this *Schedule*, for the preparation and/or participation in the case conference.
- **7.**Where payment for a case conference is an included element of another service, services defined as case conferences are *not eligible for payment*.

## [Commentary:

- **1.**Chronic dialysis team fees are all-inclusive benefits for professional aspects of managing chronic dialysis and includes all related case conferences (see page J40).
- **2.** "Payment, other than by fee-for-service" includes compensation where the physician receives remuneration under a salary, primary care, stipend, APP or AFP model.]

## Medical record requirements:

A case conference is *only eligible for payment* where the case conference record includes all of the following elements:

- 1. identification of the patient;
- 2.start and stop time of the discussion regarding the patient;
- 3. identification of the eligible participants, and
- 4. the outcome or decision of the case conference.

- **1.** In circumstances where more than one patient is discussed at a case conference, claims for case conference may be submitted for each patient provided that the case conference requirements for each patient have been fulfilled.
- **2.**One common medical record in the patient's chart for the case conference signed or initialled by all physician participants (including listing the time the service commenced and terminated and individual attendance times for each participant if different) would satisfy the medical record requirements for billing purposes.]

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## Hospital in-patient case conference

In addition to the definitions, required elements, payment rules, medical record requirements in the Preamble - Case conferences, a hospital in-patient case conference is participation by the physician most responsible for the care of the patient and at least 2 other participants that include physicians, regulated social workers and/or regulated health professionals regarding a hospital in-patient.

K121 Hospital in-patient case conference..... per unit 32.45

## Payment rules:

- **1.**K121 is eligible for payment for a case conference regarding a hospital in-patient at an acute care hospital, chronic care hospital, or rehabilitation hospital. K121 is *not eligible for payment* for a resident in a long term care institution.
- 2.K121 is limited to a maximum of 4 services per patient, per physician, per 12 month period.
- 3.A maximum of 8 units of K121 are payable per physician, per patient, per day.
- **4.**K121 is *not eligible for payment* for radiation treatment planning services listed in the Radiation Oncology section of this *Schedule*.
- **5.** Services described in the supervision of postgraduate medical trainees section of this *Schedule* are *not eligible for payment* as K121.

## [Commentary:

- **1.**For case conferences regarding out-patients, see K700, K701, K702, K703, K704 and K707 for applicable services.
- 2. For case conferences regarding an in-patient in a long term care institution, see K124.]

## Palliative care out-patient case conference

In addition to the definitions, required elements, payment rules, medical record requirements in the Preamble - Case conferences, a *palliative care* out-patient case conference is participation by the physician most responsible for the care of the patient and at least 2 other participants that include physicians, regulated social workers and/or regulated health professionals regarding a *palliative care* out-patient.

K700 Palliative care out-patient case conference ...... per unit 32.45

## Payment rules:

- **1.** K700 is *only eligible for payment* for case conference services regarding a *palliative care* outpatient.
- **2.**No other case conference or telephone consultation service is eligible for payment with K700 for the same patient on the same day.
- **3.**K700 is limited to a maximum of 4 services per patient, per physician, per *12 month period*.
- **4.**A maximum of 8 units of K700 are payable per physician, per patient, per day.
- **5.**K700 is *not eligible for payment* for radiation treatment planning services listed in the Radiation Oncology section of this *Schedule*.

- **1.**For definitions related to *palliative care*, see General Definitions in the General Preamble of the *Schedule*.
- **2.**For case conferences regarding an in-patient in an acute care hospital, chronic care hospital, or rehabilitation hospital, see K121.
- **3.**For case conferences regarding an in-patient in a long term care institution, see K705 or K124.]

## FAMILY PRACTICE & PRACTICE IN GENERAL (00)

#### Paediatric out-patient case conference

In addition to the definitions, required elements, payment rules, medical record requirements in the Preamble - Case conferences, a paediatric out-patient case conference is participation by the physician most responsible for the care of the patient with at least 2 other participants that include physicians, regulated social workers regulated health professionals, education professionals, and/or personnel employed by an accredited centre of *Child*ren's Mental Health Ontario, regarding an out-patient less than 18 years of age.

K704 Paediatric out-patient case conference ...... per unit 32.45

## Payment rules:

- **1.**No other case conference or telephone consultation service is eligible for payment with K704 for the same patient on the same day.
- 2.K704 is limited to a maximum of 4 services per patient, per physician, per 12 month period.
- 3.A maximum of 8 units of K704 are payable per physician, per patient, per day.
- **4.**K704 is *only eligible for payment* when the physician most responsible has a specialty designation in Paediatrics (26) or Psychiatry (19).

#### [Commentary:

- **1.**For case conferences regarding an in-patient in an acute care hospital, chronic care hospital, or rehabilitation hospital, see K121.
- **2.**For case conferences regarding an in-patient in a long term care institution, see K705 or K124.
- **3.**K704 is eligible for payment to physicians other than those who are *specialist*s in Paediatrics (26) or Psychiatry (19) as long as the physician most responsible is a paediatrician or psychiatrist.
- **4.**For a list of mental health centres accredited by *Child*ren's Mental Health Ontario, see the following link: http://www.kidsmentalhealth.ca/about\_us/memberslist.php.]

## Mental health out-patient case conference

In addition to the definitions, required elements, payment rules, medical record requirements in the Preamble - Case conferences, a mental health out-patient case conference is participation by the physician most responsible for the care of the patient with at least 2 other participants that include physicians, regulated social workers, regulated health professionals, and/or personnel employed by a mental health community agency funded by the Ontario Ministry of Health, regarding an *adult* out-patient.

K701 Mental health out-patient case conference..... per unit 32.45

## Payment rules:

- **1.**No other case conference or telephone consultation service is eligible for payment with K701 for the same patient on the same day.
- 2.K701 is limited to a maximum of 4 services per patient, per physician, per 12 month period.
- **3.**A maximum of 8 units of K701 are payable per physician, per patient, per day.
- **4.**K701 is *only eligible for payment* when the physician most responsible has a specialty designation in Psychiatry (19).

- **1.**For case conferences regarding an out-patient aged less than 18 years of age, see K704.
- **2.**For case conferences regarding an in-patient in an acute care hospital, chronic care hospital, or rehabilitation hospital, see K121.

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- **3.**K701 is eligible for payment to physicians other than those who are *specialist*s in Psychiatry (19) as long as the physician most responsible is a psychiatrist.
- **4.**For case conferences regarding an in-patient in a long term care institution, other than a patient meeting the definition of a K705 service, see K124.]

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## Bariatric out-patient case conference

In addition to the definitions, required elements, payment rules, medical record requirements in the Preamble - Case conferences, bariatric out-patient case conference is participation by the physician most responsible for the care of the patient with at least 2 other participants that are working at a *Bariatric Regional Assessment and Treatment Centre (RATC)* and include physicians, regulated social workers and/or regulated health professionals regarding an out-patient registered with a Bariatric RATC for the purpose of pre-operative evaluation and/or post-operative follow-up medical care.

K702 Bariatric out-patient case conference ...... per unit 32.45

## Payment rules:

- **1.** K702 is only eligible for payment when rendered for a patient registered in a Bariatric RATC.
- **2.**K702 is *only eligible for payment* for physicians identified to the ministry as working in a Bariatric RATC.
- **3.**No other case conference or telephone consultation service is eligible for payment with K702 for the same patient on the same day.
- **4.**K702 is limited to a maximum of 4 services per patient, per physician per *12 month period*.

**5.**A maximum of 8 units of K702 are payable per physician, per patient, per day.

## [Commentary:

**1.**For the definition of a Bariatric RATC, see Definitions in the General Preamble.

- **2.**For case conferences regarding an in-patient in an acute care hospital, chronic care hospital, or rehabilitation hospital, see K121.
- 3. For case conferences regarding an in-patient in a long term care institution, see K124.]

## Geriatric out-patient case conference

In addition to the definitions, required elements, payment rules, medical record requirements in the Preamble - Case conferences, geriatric out-patient case conference is participation by the physician most responsible for the care of the patient with at least 2 other participants that include physicians, regulated social workers and/or regulated health professionals regarding an out-patient who is at least 65 years of age or, a patient less than 65 years of age who has dementia.

K703 Geriatric out-patient case conference...... per unit 32.45

## Payment rules:

**1.**K703 is *not eligible for payment* with any other case conference or telephone consultation service for the same patient on the same day.

- 2.K703 is limited to a maximum of 4 services per patient, per physician, per 12 month period.
- **3.**A maximum of 8 units of K703 are payable per physician, per patient, per day.
- 4.K703 is only eligible for payment to:
  - a.a specialist in Geriatrics (07); or
  - **b.**a physician with an exemption to access bonus impact in Care of the Elderly from the *MOH*.

## [Commentary:

**1.**For case conferences regarding an in-patient in an acute care hospital, chronic care hospital or rehabilitation hospital, see K121.

2. For case conferences regarding an in-patient in a long term care institution, see K124.]

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#### Chronic pain out-patient case conference

In addition to the definitions, required elements, payment rules, medical record requirements in the Preamble - Case conferences, chronic pain out-patient case conference is participation by the physician most responsible for the treatment of the patient's chronic pain with at least 2 other participants that include physicians, regulated social workers and/or regulated health professionals regarding an out-patient.

K707 Chronic pain out-patient case conference ...... per unit 32.45

## Payment rules:

**1.**K707 is *not eligible for payment* with any other case conference or telephone consultation service for the same patient on the same day.

2.K707 is limited to a maximum of 4 services per patient, per physician, per *12 month period*.3.A maximum of 8 units of K707 are payable per physician, per patient, per day.

- **1.**For case conferences regarding an in-patient in an acute care hospital, chronic care hospital or rehabilitation hospital, see K121.
- 2. For case conferences regarding an in-patient in a long term care institution, see K124.
- **3.**Chronic pain is defined as a pain condition with duration of symptomatology of at least 6 *months*.]

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#### Long-term care/community care access centre (CCAC) case conference

In addition to the definitions, required elements, payment rules, medical record requirements in the Preamble - Case conferences, a long-term care/community care access centre (CCAC) case conference is participation by the physician most responsible for the care of the patient and at least 2 other participants that include physicians, regulated social workers, employees of a CCAC and/or regulated health professionals regarding a long-term care institution inpatient.

K124 Long-term care/CCAC case conference..... per unit 32.45

## Payment rules:

1.K124 is limited to a maximum of 4 services per patient, per physician, per 12 month period.

- 2.A maximum of 8 units of K124 are payable per physician, per patient, per day.
- **3.**K124 is *not eligible for payment* for radiation treatment planning services listed in the Radiation Oncology section of this *Schedule*.
- **4.** Services described in the supervision of postgraduate medical trainees section of this *Schedule* are *not eligible for payment* as K124.

## [Commentary:

- **1.**For case conferences regarding out-patients, see K700, K701, K702, K703, K704, and K707 for applicable services.
- **2.**For case conferences regarding an in-patient in an acute care hospital, chronic care hospital or rehabilitation hospital, see K121.]

## Long-term care – High risk patient case conference

In addition to the definitions, required elements, payment rules, medical record requirements in the Preamble - Case conferences, a Long-term care – High risk patient case conference is participation by a physician and at least 2 other participants that include physicians, employees of a CCAC, regulated social workers and/or regulated health professionals regarding a long-term care institution high risk inpatient.

K705 Long-term care – high risk patient conference ...... per unit 32.45

## Payment rules:

**1.**K705 is limited to a maximum of 4 services per patient, per physician, per *12 month period*.

**2.**A maximum of 8 units of K705 are payable per physician, per patient, per day.

- **3.**K705 is *not eligible for payment* for radiation treatment planning services listed in the Radiation Oncology section of this *Schedule*.
- **4.** Services described in the supervision of postgraduate medical trainees section of this *Schedule* are *not eligible for payment* as K705.

## Note:

- **1.** In circumstances where the physician other than the physician most responsible for the care of the patient participates in the case conference, K705 is only eligible for payment when the physician's participation is for directing the care of the individual patient.
- 2.For the purposes of K705, a high risk patient is a patient identified by staff in the long term institution with clinical instability based on a change in the Resident Assessment Instrument Minimum Data Set (RAI-MDS) for Nursing Homes.

## [Commentary:

**1.**For case conferences regarding out-patients, see K700, K701, K702, K703, K704, and K707 for applicable services.

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- **2.**For case conferences regarding an in-patient in an acute care hospital, chronic care hospital, or rehabilitation hospital, see K121.
- **3.**For case conferences regarding an in-patient in a long term care institution, other than a patient meeting the definition of a K705 service, see K124.
- 4. The Resident Assessment Instrument Minimum Data Set (RAI-MDS) for Nursing Homes can be found at the following internet link: https://www.cms.gov/NursingHomeQualityInits/ 20\_NHQIMDS20.asp.]

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## Convalescent care program case conference

In addition to the definitions, required elements, payment rules, medical record requirements in the Preamble - Case conferences, a convalescent care case conference is participation by the physician most responsible for the care of the patient and at least 2 other participants that include physicians, regulated social workers, employees of the Convalescent Care Program and/or regulated health professionals regarding a patient enrolled in a Convalescent Care Program funded by the *MOH*.

## Payment rules:

**1.**K706 is limited to a maximum of 8 services per patient, per physician, per *12 month period*.

- 2.A maximum of 4 units of K706 are payable per physician, per patient, per day.
- **3.** Services described in the supervision of postgraduate medical trainees section of this *Schedule* are *not eligible for payment* as K706.

- **1.**For case conferences regarding out-patients, see K700, K701, K702, K703, K704 and K707 for applicable services.
- **2.**For case conferences regarding an in-patient in an acute care hospital, chronic care hospital, or rehabilitation hospital, see K121.
- **3.**For case conferences regarding an in-patient in a long term care institution, see K705 or K124.]

## PHYSICIAN/NURSE PRACTITIONER TO PHYSICIAN TELEPHONE CONSULTATION

Physician to physician telephone consultation is a service where the referring physician or nurse practitioner, in light of his/her professional knowledge of the patient, requests the opinion of a physician (the "consultant physician") by telephone who is competent to give advice in the particular field because of the complexity, seriousness, or obscurity of the case.

This service is *only eligible for payment* if the consultant physician has provided an opinion and/ or recommendations for patient treatment and/or management.

For the purpose of this service, "relevant data" include family/patient history, history of the presenting complaint, laboratory and diagnostic tests, where indicated and feasible in the circumstances.

#### Note:

The Definition/Required elements of service and payment rules for consultations in the General Preamble are not applicable to physician to physician telephone consultations.

#### Definition/Required elements of service – Referring physician/Nurse Practitioner

The referring physician or nurse practitioner initiates the telephone consultation with the intention of continuing the care, treatment and management of the patient.

In addition to the Constituent and *Common Elements* of Insured Services described in the General Preamble of this *Schedule*, this service includes the transmission of relevant data to the consultant physician and all other services rendered by the referring physician or nurse practitioner to obtain the advice of the consultant physician.

#### Note:

This service is eligible for payment in addition to visits or other services provided to the same patient on the same day by the same referring physician.

## Definition/Required elements of service - Consultant physician

This service includes all services rendered by the consultant physician to provide opinion/ advice/recommendations on patient care, treatment and management to the referring physician. The consultant physician is required to review all relevant data provided by the referring physician or nurse practitioner.

K730 Physician to physician telephone consultation - Referring physician	32.45	
K731 Physician to physician telephone consultation - Consultant physician	41.85	
Physician on duty in an emergency department or a hospital urgent care clinic		
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Physician on duty in an emergency department or a hospital urgent of K734 Physician to physician telephone consultation - Referring physician	care clinic 32.45	

## [Commentary:

Referring and consultant physicians participating in physician to physician telephone consultations while on duty in an emergency department or a hospital urgent care clinic should submit claims using K734 and K735. K730 and K731 should not be claimed in these circumstances.]

## Payment rules:

**1.** A maximum of one K730 or K734 service is eligible for payment per patient per day.

- 2.A maximum of one K731 or K735 service is eligible for payment per patient per day.
- **3.** This service is *only eligible for payment* for a physician to physician telephone consultation service:

a.that includes a minimum of 10 minutes of patient-related discussion for any given patient
b.where the referring physician/nurse practitioner and consultant physician are physically present in Ontario at the time of the service

- **4.** This service is *not eligible for payment* to the referring or consultant physicians in the following circumstances:
  - **a**.when the purpose of the telephone discussion is to arrange for transfer of the patient's care to any physician;
  - **b**.when rendered in whole or in part to arrange for a consultation, assessment, visit, or K-prefix time-based services, procedure(s), or diagnostic investigation(s);
  - c.when rendered primarily to discuss results of diagnostic investigation(s); or
  - **d**.when a consultant physician renders a consultation, assessment, visit, or K-prefix timebased service, on the same day or next day following the physician to physician telephone consultation for the same patient.
- **5.** In circumstances where a physician receives compensation, other than by fee-for-service under this *Schedule*, for participation in the telephone consultation, this service is *not eligible for payment* to that physician.

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#### Medical record requirements:

Physician to physician telephone consultation is *only eligible for payment* where the following elements are included in the medical record for a physician who submits a claim for the service:

- 1.patient's name and health number;
- 2. start and stop times of the discussion;
- 3.name of the referring physician or nurse practitioner and consultant physician;
- **4.**reason for the consultation; and
- 5. the opinion and recommendations of the consultant physician.

#### **Claims submission instructions:**

K731 and K735 are *only eligible for payment* if the consultant physician includes the referring physician's or nurse practitioner's provider number with the claim.

- **1.** In calculating the minimum time requirement, time does not need to be continuous. In circumstances where a physician to physician telephone consultation service with the consultant physician on the same day is not continuous, the total time represents the cumulative time of all telephone consultations with the same physicians on that day pertaining to the same patient.
- **2.**Payment, other than by fee-for-service includes compensation where the physician receives remuneration under a salary, primary care, stipend, APP or AFP model.
- **3.**Physicians who receive compensation other than by fee-for-service under this *Schedule* should consult their contract for guidance on shadow-billing.]

## **CRITICALL TELEPHONE CONSULTATION**

CritiCall telephone consultation is a service where the referring physician, or nurse practitioner in light of his/her professional knowledge of a patient, requests the opinion of a physician (the "consultant physician") by telephone and where the telephone consultation has been arranged by CritiCall Ontario.

## Note:

The Definition/Required elements of service and Payment rules for consultations in the General Preamble are not applicable to CritiCall telephone consultations.

## Definition/Required elements of service - Referring physician/Nurse practitioner

The referring physician/nurse practitioner initiates the telephone consultation through CritiCall for the purpose of discussing the management of the patient and/or transfer of the patient to the consultant physician.

In addition to the Constituent and *Common Elements* of Insured Services described in the General Preamble of this *Schedule*, this service includes the transmission of relevant data to the consultant physician and all other services rendered by the referring physician/nurse practitioner to obtain the advice of the consultant physician.

## Note:

This service is eligible for payment in addition to visits or other services provided to the same patient on the same day by the same referring physician.

## Definition/Required elements of service – Consultant physician(s)

This service includes all services rendered by the consultant physician(s) necessary to provide advice on patient management. The consultant physician(s) is required to review all relevant data provided by the referring physician/nurse practitioner.

K732	CritiCall telephone consultation - Referring physician	32.45
K733	CritiCall telephone consultation - Consultant physician	41.85
E150	CritiCall review of complex neurosurgical imaging, to K733	44.00

## Physician on duty in an emergency department or a hospital urgent care clinic

K736	CritiCall telephone consultation - Referring physician	32.45
K737	CritiCall telephone consultation - Consultant physician	41.85

## [Commentary:

Referring and consultant physicians participating in Criticall telephone consultations while on duty in an emergency department or a hospital urgent care clinic should submit claims using K736 and K737. K732 and K733 should not be claimed in these circumstances.]

## Payment rules:

**1.** A maximum of 2 K732 or K736 services (any combination) are eligible for payment per patient, per day.

- **2.**A maximum of 1 K733 or K737 service is eligible for payment per physician, per patient, per day.
- **3.**A maximum of 1 E150 service is eligible for payment per physician, per patient, per day.
- **4.**A maximum of 3 K733 or K737 services (any combination) are eligible for payment per patient, per day.
- **5.** These services are *only eligible for payment* for a CritiCall telephone consultation service that fulfills all of the following criteria:

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- **a.**the telephone consultation service is arranged by, and subject to the requirements of CritiCall Ontario; and
- **b**.the referring physician/nurse practitioner and patient are physically present in Ontario at the time of the telephone consultation.
- 6.E150 is only eligible for payment
  - a.to specialists in Neurosurgery (04);
  - **b**.for review of all complex neurosurgical imaging provided by the referring physician/nurse practitioner which is defined as at least one brain and/or spinal CT, MRI or angiography; and,
  - **c.**when the analysis of the complex neurosurgical imaging provided by the physician claiming E150 is documented in the patient permanent medical record.
- **7.**E150 is *not eligible for payment* when the consultant physician renders a consultation, assessment, visit, or K-prefix time-based service, on the same day or next day for the same patient.
- **8.** In circumstances where a physician receives compensation, other than by fee-for-service under this *Schedule*, for participation in the telephone consultation, these services are *not eligible for payment* to that physician.

## Medical record requirements:

CritiCall telephone consultation is *only eligible for payment* where the following elements are included in the medical record for a physician who submits a claim for the service:

1. the telephone consultation was arranged by CritiCall Ontario;

2. identification of the patient by name and health number;

- 3. identification of the referring and consultant physician(s);
- 4. the reason for the consultation; and
- 5. the opinion and recommendations of the consultant physician(s).

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#### Claims submission instructions:

K733 and K737 are *only eligible for payment* if the consultant physician includes the referring physician's billing number with the claim.

- **1.** "Payment, other than by fee-for-service" includes compensation where the physician receives remuneration under a salary, primary care, stipend, APP or AFP model.
- **2.** In certain circumstances, more than one consultant physician may be required to participate in the same CritiCall telephone consultation. Each consultant physician may submit a claim for the teleconference subject to the established limits.
- **3.**Physicians who receive compensation other than by fee-for-service under this *Schedule* should consult their contract for guidance on shadow-billing.]

## PHYSICIAN/NURSE PRACTITIONER TO PHYSICIAN E-CONSULTATION

Physician/nurse practitioner to physician e-consultation is a service where the referring physician or nurse practitioner, in light of his/her professional knowledge of the patient, requests the opinion of a physician (the "consultant physician") who is competent to give advice in the particular field because of the complexity, seriousness, or obscurity of the case and where both the request and opinion are sent by electronic means through a secure server. This service is *only eligible for payment* if the consultant physician has provided an opinion and/or recommendations for patient treatment and/or management within thirty (30) days from the date of the e-consultation request.

For the purpose of this service, "relevant data" includes family/patient history, history of the presenting complaint, laboratory and diagnostic tests, where indicated.

#### Note:

The Definition/Required elements of service and payment rules for consultations in the General Preamble are not applicable to physician/nurse practitioner to physician e-consultations.

Definition/Required elements of service – Referring physician

The referring physician or nurse practitioner initiates the e-consultation with the intention of continuing the care, treatment and management of the patient.

In addition to the Constituent and *Common Elements* of Insured Services described in the General Preamble of this *Schedule*, this service includes the transmission of relevant data to the consultant physician and all other services rendered by the referring physician or nurse practitioner to obtain the advice of the consultant physician.

#### Note:

This service is eligible for payment in addition to visits or other services provided to the same patient on the same day by the same referring physician.

#### Definition/Required elements of service - Consultant physician

This service includes all services rendered by the consultant physician to provide opinion/ advice/recommendations on patient care, treatment and management to the referring physician or nurse practitioner. The consultant physician is required to review all relevant data provided by the referring physician or nurse practitioner. Where a service is requested by a nurse practitioner, the consultant physician shall provide the report to the nurse practitioner and the patient's primary care provider, if applicable.

K738	Phys	sician	to I	phy	sician	e-consultation	– Ref	erring	phys	sici	an	16.00
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K739 Physician to physician e-consultation – Consultant physician 20.50

#### **Payment rules:**

**1.**K738 and K739 are each limited to a maximum of one (1) service per patient per day.

- **2.**K738 and K739 are each limited to a maximum of six (6) services per patient, any physician, per *12 month period*.
- **3.**K738 and K739 are each limited to a maximum of four hundred (400) services per physician, per *12 month period*.
- **4.** This service is *not eligible for payment* to the referring or consultant physicians in the following circumstances:
  - **a**.when the purpose of the electronic communication is to arrange for transfer of the patient's care to any physician;

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- **b.**when rendered in whole or in part to arrange for a consultation, assessment, visit, or K-prefix time-based services, procedure(s), or diagnostic investigation(s);
- c.when rendered primarily to discuss results of diagnostic investigation(s); or
- **d**.when a consultant physician renders a consultation, assessment, visit, or K-prefix timebased service, on the same day or next day following the physician/nurse practitioner to physician e-consultation for the same patient.
- **5.** In circumstances where a physician receives compensation, other than by fee-for service under this *Schedule*, for participation in the e-consultation, this service is *not eligible for payment* to that physician.
- 6.K739 is not eligible for payment to specialists in Dermatology(02) or Ophthalmology(23).
- 7.K738 is eligible for payment to the primary care physician when this physician is required to collect additional data (for example dermatology or ophthalmology images not present in the primary care physician's records) to support a *specialist*'s initial, repeat, follow-up or minor e-assessment (see page GP37). K738 is *not eligible for payment* where existing data is already available in the primary care physician's records for submission to the *specialist*.

## Medical record requirements:

Physician/nurse practitioner to physician e-consultation is *only eligible for payment* if all of the following elements are included in the medical record of the patient for a physician who submits a claim for the service:

- 1.patient's name and health number;
- 2. name of the referring or nurse practitioner and consultant physicians;
- 3. reason for the consultation; and
- 4. the opinion and recommendations of the consultant physician.

#### **Claims submission instructions:**

K739 is *only eligible for payment* if the consultant physician includes the referring physician's or nurse practitioner's provider number with the claim.

#### [Commentary:

- **1.**Payment, other than by fee-for-service includes compensation where the physician receives remuneration under a salary, primary care, stipend, APP or AFP model.
- **2.**Physicians who receive compensation other than by fee-for-service under this *Schedule* should consult their contract for guidance on shadow-billing.]

## HIV primary care

Primary care of patients infected with the Human Immunodeficiency Virus which includes any combination of common and *specific elements* of any insured service listed under "Family Practice & Practice In General" in the "Consultations and Visits" section and, in all cases, includes the same minimum time period requirements described for counselling in the General Preamble GP58. When a physician submits a claim for rendering any other consultation or visit to the same patient on the same day for which the physician submits a claim for HIV Primary Care, the HIV Primary Care service is included (in addition to the *common elements*) as a specific element of the other insured service. Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof - see General Preamble GP7, GP55 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.

K022 HIV primary care..... per unit 70.10

## Fibromyalgia/myalgic encephalomyelitis care

Fibromyalgia/myalgic encephalomyelitis care is the provision of care to patients with fibromyalgia or myalgic encephalomyelitis. The service includes the common and *specific elements* of all insured services listed under "Family Practice & Practice In General" in the "Consultations and Visits" section of the *Schedule*.

K037 Fibromyalgia/myalgic encephalomyelitis care ...... per unit 70.10

## Payment rules:

- **1.**K037 is a time based service with time calculated based on units. Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof see General Preamble GP7, GP55 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.
- **2.**No other consultation, assessment, visit or time based service is eligible for payment when rendered the same day as K037 to the same patient by the same physician.

## Palliative care support

*Palliative care* support is a time-based service payable for providing pain and symptom management, emotional support and counselling to patients receiving *palliative care*.

K023 Palliative care support ...... per unit 74.70

## Payment rules:

- **1.**With the exception of A945/C945, any other services listed under the "Family Practice & Practice in General" in the "Consultations and Visits" section of the *Schedule* are *not eligible for payment* when rendered with this service.
- **2.**Start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or the service will be adjusted to a lesser paying fee.

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- **3.**When the duration of A945 or C945 exceeds 50 minutes, one or more units of K023 are payable in addition to A945 or C945, provided that the minimum time requirements for K023 units occurs 50 minutes after the start time for A945 or C945.
- **4.** This service is claimed in units. Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof see General Preamble GP7, GP55 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.

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#### Genetic assessment

A genetic assessment is a time based service that requires interviewing the appropriate family members, collection and assessment of adequate clinical and genetic data to make a diagnosis, construction/revision of a pedigree, and assessment of the risk to persons seeking advice. It also includes sharing this information and any options with the appropriate family members. Time units are calculated based on the duration of direct contact between the physician and the patient or family. Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof - see General Preamble GP7, GP55 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.

K016 Genetic assessment ...... per unit 74.05

#### Payment rules:

This service is limited to 4 units per patient per day.

## Sexually transmitted disease (STD) or potential blood-borne pathogen management

Sexually transmitted disease (STD) or potential blood-borne pathogen management is a time based all-inclusive service for the purpose of providing assessment and counselling to a patient suspected of having a STD or to a patient with a potential blood-borne pathogen (e.g. following a "needle-stick" injury). This service is claimed in units - unit means ½ hour or major part thereof - see the General Preamble GP7, GP55 for definitions and time keeping requirements.

K028 STD management ...... per unit 70.10

#### Payment rules:

- **1.**K028 is *not eligible for payment* when rendered with any consultation, assessment or visit by the same physician on the same day.
- **2.**K028 is limited to a maximum of two units per patient per physician per day and four units per patient, per physician, per year.

## Insulin therapy support (ITS)

ITS is a time-based all-inclusive visit fee per patient per day for the purpose of providing assessment, support and counselling to patients on intensive insulin therapy requiring at least 3 injections per day or using an infusion pump. The service includes any combination of common and *specific elements* of any insured service listed under "Family Practice & Practice In General" in the "Consultations and Visits" section and, in all cases, includes the same minimum time period requirements described for counselling in the General Preamble GP58. ITS rendered same patient same day as any other consultation or visit by the same physician is an insured service payable at nil. Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof - see General Preamble GP7, GP55 for definitions and time-keeping requirements. Maximum 6 units per patient, per physician, per year.

K029 Insulin therapy support (ITS) ..... per unit 70.10

## [Commentary:

K029 may be payable for services that include training for patients on insulin who use devices such as glucose meters, insulin pumps and insulin pens and when *rendered personally by the physician* claiming K029.]

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#### Diabetic management assessment (DMA)

DMA is an all-inclusive service payable to the *most responsible physician* for providing continuing management and support of a diabetic patient. The service must include an intermediate assessment, a level 2 paediatric assessment or a partial assessment focusing on diabetic target organ systems, relevant counselling and maintenance of a diabetic flow sheet retained on the patient's permanent medical record. The flow sheet must track lipids, cholesterol, Hgb A1C, urinalysis, blood pressure, fundal examination, peripheral vascular examination, weight and *body mass index (BMI)* and medication dosage. When DMA is rendered to the same patient same day as any other consultation or visit by the same physician or the above record is not maintained, the DMA is an insured service payable at nil. Maximum 4 per patient per *12 month period*.

K030Diabetic Management Assessment40.55

## Diabetes management incentive (DMI)

DMI is a service rendered by the General/Family Physician most responsible for providing ongoing management of a diabetic patient. The service consists of ongoing management using a planned care approach consistent with the required elements of the Canadian Diabetes Association (CDA) Clinical Practice Guidelines, documenting that all of the CDA required elements have been provided for the previous *12 month period* and must include documentation that tracks, at a minimum, the following:

- **a.**Lipids, cholesterol, HbA1C, blood pressure, weight and *body mass index (BMI)*, and medication dosage;
- **b**.Discussion and offer of preventive measures including vascular protection, influenza and pneumococcal vaccination;
- c.Health promotion counselling and patient self-management support;
- d.Albumin to creatinine ratio (ACR);
- e.Discussion and offer of referral for dilated eye examination; and
- **f.** Foot examination and neurologic examination.

## Payment rules:

1.Q040 is limited to a maximum of one service per patient per 12 month period.

**2.**Q040 is *only eligible for payment* if the physician has rendered a minimum of three K030 services for the same patient in the same *12 month period* to which the Q040 service applies.

## Medical record requirements:

A flow sheet or other documentation that records all of the required elements of the most current CDA guidelines must be included in the patient's permanent medical record, or the service is *not eligible for payment*.

#### **Claims submission instructions:**

Claims for Q040 must be submitted only when the required elements of the service have been completed for the previous *12 month period*.

## [Commentary:

A copy of a flow sheet meeting the medical record requirements and CDA guidelines is available at www.oma.org.]

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# MANAGEMENT OF A BARIATRIC SURGERY PATIENT IN A BARIATRIC REGIONAL ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT CENTRE (RATC)

#### Pre-operative medical management of a bariatric surgery patient in a Bariatric RATC

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

Pre-operative medical management of a bariatric surgery patient is the supervision and preoperative management of a bariatric surgery patient who is registered with, and, who is undergoing pre-operative medical evaluation and preparation related to bariatric surgery in a Bariatric RATC. The applicable service is payable only to the physician at the Bariatric RATC who is most responsible for the supervision and medical management of the patient in the preoperative period.

In addition to the *Common Elements* in this *Schedule*, this service includes the provision of the following services to the same patient, during the pre-operative period:

- a. All medication reviews.
- **b.** All telephone calls involving the staff, patient, patient's relative(s) or *patient's representative* and the physician in connection with the patient.

#### **Payment rules:**

**1.**K090 is *only eligible for payment* if the pre-operative period is a minimum of four *weeks*.

- **2.**K090 is *not eligible for payment* if a patient is determined not to be a candidate for bariatric surgery at the time of the initial consultation/assessment in the Bariatric RATC.
- **3.**K090 is *only eligible for payment* to a physician previously registered with the ministry as providing services in a Bariatric RATC.

#### Note:

- **1.** The pre-operative period for this service is defined as the period between the date the patient is determined to be a surgical candidate and the date that bariatric surgery is performed.
- **2.**Consultations, assessments and procedures rendered by the physician who is most responsible for the supervision and management during the pre-operative period may be eligible for payment in addition to K090.

## [Commentary:

**1.**For the definition of a Bariatric RATC, see Definitions in the General Preamble.

**2.** The physician most responsible for care is anticipated to be a non-surgeon for the purposes of claiming this code.]

## Post-operative monthly management of a bariatric surgery patient in a Bariatric RATC

## Definition/Required elements of service:

Post-operative *month*ly management of a bariatric surgery patient is the supervision and medical management of a post-operative bariatric surgery patient registered with, and who is receiving post-operative care, in a Bariatric RATC. The service is payable to the physician at the Bariatric RATC who is most responsible for the post-operative supervision and medical management of the patient.

In addition to the *Common Elements* in this *Schedule*, this service includes the provision of the following services to the same patient, during the post-operative period:

- a. All medication reviews.
- **b.** All telephone calls involving the staff, patient, patient's relative(s) or *patient's representative* and the physician in connection with the patient.
- K091 Post-operative monthly management of a bariatric surgery
   25.00

## Payment rules:

- **1.** A maximum of one K091 service is eligible for payment per patient, per *month*.
- **2.**A maximum of 6 K091 services are eligible for payment per patient, during the twenty-four consecutive *month* period beginning six *week*s following the date of surgery.
- **3.**K091 is *only eligible for payment* if the physician personally has contact with the patient whether in person or by telephone during the *month* for which K091 is claimed.
- **4.**K091 is *only eligible for payment* to a physician previously registered with the ministry as providing services in a Bariatric RATC.

#### Note:

Consultations, assessments and procedures rendered by the physician who is most responsible for the supervision and medical management of the post-operative bariatric surgery patient may be eligible for payment in addition to K091.

## [Commentary:

**1.**For the definition of a Bariatric RATC, see Definitions in the General Preamble.

2. Payment of K091 will be made to only one physician, per patient, per *month*. In circumstances where the physician most responsible for the post-operative supervision and medical management of the patient is temporarily absent and/or the patient is transferred to another physician in any *month*, the physicians should determine who is the physician most responsible for the purposes of claim submission and payment. In the event that more than one claim is submitted for the same patient for the same *month*, the first claim submitted will be paid.]

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## Initial discussion with patient re: smoking cessation

Initial discussion with patient re: smoking cessation is the service rendered to a patient who currently smokes by the primary care physician most responsible for their patient's ongoing care, in accordance with the guidelines and subject to the conditions below.

E079 Initial discussion with patient, to eligible services ...... add 15.55

## Payment rules:

 E079 is only eligible for payment when rendered in conjunction with one of the following services: A001, A003, A004, A005, A006, A007, A008, A905, K005, K007, K013, K017, K130, K131, K132, P003, P004, P005, P008, W001, W002, W003, W004, W008, W010, W102, W104, W107, W109 or W121.

2.E079 is limited to a maximum of one service per patient per 12 month period.

## Medical record requirements:

The medical record for this service must document that an initial smoking cessation discussion has taken place, by either completion of a flow sheet or other documentation consistent with the most current guidelines of the "Clinical Tobacco Intervention" (CTI) program, or the service is *not eligible for payment*.

## [Commentary:

A copy of a flow sheet meeting the medical record requirements and guidelines of the CTI program is available at www.oma.org or www.omacti.org. Physicians may complete the flow sheet or alternatively document that an initial discussion consistent with the 5A's model of the CTI program has taken place.]

## Smoking cessation follow-up visit

Smoking cessation follow-up visit is the service rendered by a primary care physician in the 12 *months* following E079 that is dedicated to a discussion of smoking cessation, in accordance with the guidelines and subject to the conditions below.

## Payment rules:

**1.**K039 is *only eligible for payment* when E079 is payable to the same physician in the preceding *12 month period*.

**2.**K039 is limited to a maximum of two services in the 12 *months* following E079.

## Medical record requirements:

The medical record for this service must document that a follow-up visit regarding smoking cessation has taken place, by either completion of a flow sheet or other documentation consistent with the most current guidelines of the "Clinical Tobacco Intervention" (CTI) program, or the service is *not eligible for payment*.

## [Commentary:

A copy of a flow sheet meeting the medical record requirements and guidelines of the CTI program is available at www.oma.org or www.omacti.org. Physicians may complete the flow sheet or alternatively document that an initial discussion consistent with the 5A's model of the CTI program has taken place.]

## FAMILY PRACTICE & PRACTICE IN GENERAL (00)

#### Sexual assault examination

For investigation of alleged sexual assault and documentation using the evidence kit provided by Ministries of the Attorney General and the Solicitor General.

K018	- female	326.00
K021	- male	257.15

## Ontario Hepatitis C Assistance Program (OHCAP)

Certification of Medical Eligibility for OHCAP - includes any combination of common and *specific elements* of any insured service listed under "Family Practice & Practice In General" in the "Consultations and Visits" section and completion of the Application for OHCAP - Physician's Form. When a physician submits a claim for rendering any other consultation or visit on the same day for which the physician submits a claim for Certification of Medical Eligibility for OHCAP, the Certification service is included (in addition to the *common elements*) as a specific element of the other service.

K026 Certification of Medical Eligibility for OHCAP	54.70						
K027 Certification of Medical Eligibility for OHCAP - includes only							
completion of Application for OHCAP - Physician's Form							
without an associated consultation or visit on the same day.	21.85						
Mandatory blood testing act - Physician report							
K031 Completion of Form 1 - Physician report in accordance with							
the Mandatory Blood Testing Act	102.50						

## FAMILY PRACTICE & PRACTICE IN GENERAL (00)

### Specific neurocognitive assessment

A specific neurocognitive assessment is an assessment of neurocognitive function *rendered personally by the physician* where all of the following requirements are met:

a.test of memory, attention, language, visuospatial function and executive function.

**b**.a minimum of 20 minutes (consecutive or non-consecutive) and must be dedicated exclusively to this service (including administration of the tests and scoring) and must be completed on the same day; and

c.the start and stop time(s) must be recorded in the patient's medical record.

### [Commentary:

Examples of neurocognitive assessment batteries which would be acceptable are the short form of the Behavioral Neurology Assessment (BNA) or the Dementia Rating Scale (DRS). The Mini-Mental State Examination ("Folstein") test is not considered acceptable for this purpose.]

## Extended specific neurocognitive assessment

An extended specific neurocognitive assessment is an assessment of neurocognitive function rendered personally by the physician where all of the following requirements are met:

- a. test of memory, attention, language, visuospatial function and executive function;
- **b.** a minimum of 46 minutes (consecutive or non-consecutive) must be dedicated exclusively to this service (including administration of the tests and scoring) and must be completed on the same day; and
- **c.** the start and stop time(s) must be recorded in the patient's medical record.

### Payment rules:

**1.**K042 is *only eligible for payment* to specialists in one of the following: Geriatrics (07), Neurology (18), and Psychiatry (19).

**2.**Only one of K032 or K042 is eligible for payment to the same physician, same day.

### [Commentary:

Examples of extended neurocognitive assessment batteries which would be acceptable, where the minimum time requirement has been met, are the Montreal Cognitive Assessment (MOCA), Toronto Cognitive Assessment (TorCA), Frontal Assessment battery.]

### Home care application

The service rendered by the *most responsible physician* for completion and submission of an application for *home* care to a Community Care Access Centre (CCAC) on behalf of a patient for whom the physician provides on-going medical care. The amount payable for this service is as shown and is in addition to the assessment fee payable, where applicable. The amount payable for completion of the application for *home* care if completed in whole or in part by a person other than the physician or the physician's employee is nil.

### Note:

**1.**K070 is limited to one per *home* care admission per patient.

2.K070 is not eligible for payment if the patient is currently receiving home care.

## FAMILY PRACTICE & PRACTICE IN GENERAL (00)

#### Home care supervision

The service rendered by a physician for personally providing medical advice, direction or information to health care staff of a Community Care Access Centre (CCAC) or CCAC contractor on behalf of a patient for whom the physician provides on-going medical care. The date, medical advice, direction or information provided must be recorded in the patient's medical record. If the information is provided verbally to staff, the name of the staff person must be recorded. The amount payable for *home* care supervision without the required record of service in the patient's medical record is nil. The amount payable for *home* care supervision with the same patient is nil.

K071 Acute home care supervision (first 8 weeks following	
admission to home care program) 21	.40
K072 Chronic home care supervision (after the 8th week following	
admission to the home care program) 21	1.40

#### Payment rules:

- **1.**K071 is limited to a maximum of one service per patient per physician per *week* for 8 *week*s following admission to the *home* care program.
- 2.K071 is limited to a maximum of two services per patient per week for 8 weeks.
- **3.**K072 is limited to a maximum of 2 services per *month* per patient per physician after the 8th *week* following admission to the *home* care program.
- **4.**K072 is limited to a maximum of four services per patient per *month*.

## Mandatory reporting of medical condition to the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO)

Mandatory reporting of medical condition to the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) requires providing to MTO information that satisfies the requirements of the *Highway Traffic Act* or any applicable regulations, and includes providing any additional information to MTO regarding a previous report related to the same medical condition.

K035 Mandatory reporting of medical condition to the Ontario

Ministry of	
Transportation	36.25

### **Claims submission instructions:**

Claims in excess of one per *12 month period* by the same physician for the same patient should be submitted using the manual review indicator and accompanied by supporting documentation.

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## Northern health travel grant application form

K036 Completion of northern health travel grant application form... 10.25

## [Commentary:

K036 is payable to both the referring physician and *specialist* physician.]

## Long-Term Care application

The service rendered for completion and submission of a health report form to a Community Care Access Centre (CCAC) on behalf of a patient who is applying for admission to a Long-Term Care facility.

# Immediate telephone reporting - specified reportable disease to the Medical Officer of Health

Telephone reporting of a specified reportable disease to a Medical Officer of Health (MOH) is the service of immediately providing all available information to a MOH in order to comply with the requirements of the *Health Protection and Promotion Act* and/or any applicable regulations, and includes providing, by any method, any subsequent information to a MOH regarding a previous report related to the same reported disease within the *12 month period*.

K034 Telephone reporting - specified reportable disease to a MOH 36.00

## Payment rules:

- **1.**K034 is limited to a maximum of one service per physician, per patient, per specified reportable disease, per *12 month period*.
- **2.**K034 is *only eligible for payment* when the telephone report is personally rendered by the physician.
- 3.K034 is only eligible for payment for the following specified reportable diseases: anthrax, botulism, brucellosis, cholera, cryptosporidiosis, cyclosporiasis, diphtheria, primary viral encephalitis, food poisoning (all causes), symptomatic giardiasis, invasive haemophilus influenzae b disease, hantavirus pulmonary syndrome, hemorrhagic fevers (e.g. ebola, marburg and other viral causes), hepatitis A, lassa fever, legionellosis, listeriosis, measles, acute bacterial meningitis, invasive meningococcal disease, paratyphoid fever, plague, acute poliomyelitis, Q fever, rabies, rubella, Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS), shigellosis, smallpox, invasive group A streptococcal infections, tularemia, typhoid fever, verotoxin-producing E. coli infection indicator conditions (e.g. haemolytic-uremic syndrome), west Nile virus illness, and yellow fever.

### Medical record requirements:

K034 is *only eligible for payment* if the patient record demonstrates that the required information of the report related to one of the specified reportable disease has been communicated immediately by telephone to the MOH.

## [Commentary:

- **1.** For payment purposes, an immediate telephone report to a MOH includes a report provided to a delegate of a MOH under the regulation.
- 2. The diseases specified in association with K034 represent a subset of the reportable diseases listed in Regulation 559/91 under the *Health Protection and Promotion Act*. For payment purposes, the specified list of diseases has been identified as requiring an immediate telephone report.]

## FAMILY PRACTICE & PRACTICE IN GENERAL (00)

### ALLERGY

Since the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada has not set a standard for "Allergy *Specialist*", fees for consultations and visits shall be payable to an allergist according to his or her own General or Specialty listings, except as follows:

## **CLINICAL INTERPRETATION BY AN IMMUNOLOGIST**

Clinical Interpretation by an immunologist requires review of clinical data and interpretation of diagnostic tests and the results of related assessments in order to arrive at an opinion as to the nature of the patient's condition. The physician must submit his/her findings, opinions, and recommendations in writing to the patient's physician.

#### **Payment rules:**

This service is *not eligible for payment* when rendered in association with a consultation on the same patient by the same physician.

## FAMILY PRACTICE & PRACTICE IN GENERAL (00)

### Addiction medicine – initial assessment – substance abuse

Initial assessment - substance abuse is an assessment where the physician spends a minimum of 50 minutes of personal contact assessing a patient related to substance abuse *with or without* the patient's relative(s) or *patient's representative*, exclusive of time spent rendering any other service to the patient. This service is *only eligible for payment* to the physician intending to subsequently render treatment of the patient's substance abuse.

The elements of the service must include:

- i. A complete history of illicit drug use, abuse and dependence, ensuring that a DSM diagnosis is recorded for each problematic drug;
- ii. A complete addiction medicine history;
- iii. Past medical history;
- iv. Family history;
- v. Psychosocial history, including education;
- vi. Review of systems;
- vii. A focused physical examination, when indicated;
- viii. Assessment/diagnosis including a DSM diagnosis for each problematic drug;
- ix. Review of treatment options;
- **x.** Formulation of a treatment plan;
- **xi.** Communication with the patient and/or family to obtain information for the assessment as well as for support staff working in the treatment environment;
- **xii.** Communication with previous care providers, including family doctors, as necessary.

### Payment rules:

- **1.** If A680 is not pre-booked at least one day before the service is rendered, the service is *not eligible for payment.*
- **2.**A680 is limited to one per patient per physician except in circumstances where a *12 month period* has elapsed since the most recent insured service rendered to the patient by the same physician.
- 3.A680 is limited to a maximum of two per patient per 12 month period.
- **4.**A680 is *not eligible for payment* for the assessment of substance abuse related to smoking cessation.
- **5.**Any insured service rendered to the patient before October 1, 2010 by the physician submitting a claim for A680/C680 for the same patient and paid as an insured service under the *Health Insurance Act* constitutes an "Initial Assessment Substance abuse" service and is deemed to have been rendered on October 1, 2010.

### [Commentary:

For assessment services related to smoking cessation, see general listings, A957, K039 and E079 services, as applicable.]

### Medical record requirements:

**1.**Start and stop times of the service must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

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- **2.** A DSM diagnosis must be recorded in relation to each problematic substance in the patient's permanent medical record or the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.
- **3.** Relevant information obtained in the provision of the all elements of the service must be recorded in the medical record or the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to lesser assessment fee.

## FAMILY PRACTICE & PRACTICE IN GENERAL (00)

#### Substance abuse - extended assessment

A substance abuse - extended assessment is the service for providing care to patients receiving therapy for substance abuse. The service has the same *specific elements* as an assessment.

K680 Substance abuse - extended assessment..... per unit 70.10

#### Payment rules:

- **1.**K680 is a time based service with time calculated based on units. Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof see General Preamble GP7, GP55 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.
- **2.**No other consultation, assessment, visit or time based service is eligible for payment when rendered the same day as K680 to the same patient by the same physician.
- 3.K680 is not eligible for payment for management of smoking cessation.

#### Medical record requirements:

Start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or payment will be adjusted to reflect the service documented in the medical record.

#### [Commentary:

See K039 - smoking cessation.]

#### Monthly management of a patient in an Opioid Agonist Maintenance Program (OAMP)

#### Definition/Required elements of service:

*Month*ly management of a patient in an Opioid Agonist Maintenance Program (OAMP) is the one *month* management and supervision of a patient receiving opioid agonist treatment by the physician most responsible for the management and supervision of that patient when rendered in accordance with the definitions and payment rules described below. The *month*ly management of a patient in an OAMP is *only eligible for payment* to a physician who has an active general exemption for methadone maintenance treatment for opioid dependence pursuant to Section 56 of the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act* 1996.

This service includes the following specific elements:

- **a.**All medication reviews, adjusting the dose of the opioid agonist therapy, and where appropriate, prescribing additional therapy, and discussions with pharmacists;
- b.With the exception of all physician to physician telephone consultation services, discussion with, and providing advice and information to the patient, patient's relative(s), patient's representative or other caregiver(s), in person, by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service, regardless of identity of person initiating discussion; and
- **c.**All discussions in respect of the patient's opioid dependency, except where the discussion is payable as a separate service.

K682	Opioid Agonist Maintenance Program monthly management	
	fee - intensive, per month	45.00
K683	Opioid Agonist Maintenance Program monthly management	
	fee - maintenance, per month	38.00
K684	- Opioid Agonist Maintenance Program - team premium, per	
	month, to K682 or K683 add	6.00

## FAMILY PRACTICE & PRACTICE IN GENERAL (00)

## Definitions:

**a.**Required services are:

- i. a consultation, assessment or visit from the Consultation and Visits section of this *Schedule*; or
- **ii.** a K-prefix time-based service excluding group services and case conferences.
- **b.**OAMP intensive, is the service for management of an OAMP patient receiving an opioid agonist where the physician renders at least two (2) required services in the *month*.
- **c.**OAMP maintenance, is the service for management of an OAMP patient receiving an opioid agonist where the physician renders one required service in the *month*.
- **d**.OAMP team premium, is the service for management of an OAMP patient receiving an opioid agonist where:
  - i. the physician most responsible for the OAMP management of the patient provides one of K682 or K683 in the *month* and supervises members of the OAMP management team;
  - the OAMP management team consists of the physician most responsible for the OAMP treatment and at least two other non-physician members who have successfully completed a training program in addiction medicine that includes opioid agonist management;
  - **iii.** the OAMP management team members provides at least one in-person therapeutic encounter with the patient in the *month* for which the service is payable; and
  - **iv.** the therapeutic encounter is not primarily for the purpose of urine testing or the provision of a prescription.
- **e.**A service primarily for the purpose of providing a prescription does not constitute a required service and does not count towards the minimum requirements of K682 or K683.

### Payment rules:

- **1.**K682, K683 and K684 are *only eligible for payment* to the physician most responsible for the patient's OAMP for the applicable *month*.
- **2.**K684 is *only eligible for payment* when all required patient encounters are documented in the medical record.
- 3.K682 is limited to a maximum of six services per patient per 12 month period.
- **4.**A maximum of one of K682 or K683 is eligible for payment per patient per *month* any physician.
- **5.** In circumstances where the administration of an opioid agonist is delegated to another qualified health professional, K682 and K683 are *only eligible for payment* if the physician can demonstrate that he/she has received a delegation exemption from the *CPSO*.

## [Commentary:

OAMP *month*ly management fees may be claimed for a patient enrolled in a treatment program using methadone or buprenorphine.]

### **Claims submission instructions:**

Claims for K683, K682 and K684 are payable only after the minimum requirements have been rendered for the *month*.

## FAMILY PRACTICE & PRACTICE IN GENERAL (00)

#### [Commentary:

- **1.** In circumstances where the physician most responsible for the patient's OAMP is temporarily absent and/or the patient is transferred to another physician in any *month*, the physicians should determine who is the physician most responsible for the purposes of claim submission and payment. In the event that more than one claim is submitted for the same patient for the same *month*, only the first claim submitted is eligible for payment.
- **2.** The *CPSO* Methadone Maintenance Treatment Program Standards and Clinical Guidelines may be found at the following internet link: http://www.*cpso*.on.ca.
- **3.**K683, K682, and K684 will be subject to a joint review by the *MOH* and the Ontario Medical Association on or before December 31, 2012.]

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

For the purposes of this section of the *Schedule* only, the following Definitions apply:

**Comprehensive Virtual Care Service** means a Virtual Care Service rendered where an Existing/Ongoing Patient-Physician Relationship exists, and in the physicians' professional opinion in accordance with accepted professional standards and practice, the person's care and support requirements can be effectively and appropriately delivered by Video or Telephone.

#### Existing/Ongoing Patient-Physician Relationship means:

- Where a physician is providing a Virtual Care Service to a patient where there has been at least one insured service with a direct physical encounter between the patient and that physician (Family and General Practice Physician or *specialist*) in the preceding 24-months; or
- 2. Where a physician is providing a Virtual Care Service to a patient who has signed the *MOH*'s Patient Enrollment and Consent to Release Personal Health Information form and is enrolled to that physician or another physician within the same group (who is signatory/locum to a *MOH* alternate funding plan agreement); or
- Where a *specialist* or GP Focused Practice Physician is providing a consultation by Video set out in Appendix J – Section 1, or has provided any such consultation in the preceding 24months to that patient; or

#### [Commentary:

Where the visit leading to the referral for consultation has occurred virtually, it would be expected that the referring physician has an established relationship with the patient and that the clinical issue leading to the referral has been assessed in-person within the previous 12-months.]

#### [Commentary:

A consultation billed as an insured service under K083 or as an uninsured service funded under the Ontario Virtual Care Program and rendered prior to December 1, 2022, is considered evidence of an Existing/Ongoing Patient-Physician Relationship.]

#### [Commentary:

Where a physician who has been paid for a consultation for the patient for the same diagnosis makes a request for a *referral* for ongoing management of the patient, the service rendered following the *referral* is not payable as a consultation, unless the request for *referral*, if the *referral* is made, allows for an ongoing patient physician relationship in the context of a consultation by Video.]

- **4.** Where a physician provides any of the following services, or has provided any of the following services in the preceding 24-months:
  - A920 Medical management of early pregnancy initial service by Video or Telephone,
  - A945/C945 Special palliative care consultation by Video,
  - A680/C680 Initial assessment substance abuse by Video,
  - A814, A817, A818 Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Assessments (MRAs) by Video,
  - A802 Extended midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-requested genetic assessment by Video,

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- A801 Comprehensive midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-requested genetic assessment by Video,
- A800 Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-requested genetic assessment by Video,
- A253 Optometrist-Requested Assessment (ORA) by Video,
- A256 Special optometrist-requested assessment by Video,
- A957 Addiction medicine FPA by Video,
- K680 Substance abuse extended assessment by Video.

#### [Commentary:

- **1.**Follow-up Virtual Care Services provided in the 24-months subsequent to the services listed in 3 or 4 may be claimed as Comprehensive Virtual Care Services.
- **2.** A special palliative care consultation billed as an insured service under K092/K093 and rendered prior to December 1, 2022, is considered evidence of an Existing/Ongoing Patient-Physician Relationship.]

**GP Focused Practice Physician** means, for the purpose of eligibility to provide a focused practice consultation by Video (A010, A011, A906, A913, A914), a physician who has been designated by the bi-lateral *MOH-OMA* GP Focused Practice Review Committee or a physician who is eligible for the focused practice psychotherapy premium.

**Limited Virtual Care Service** means a Virtual Care Service rendered where an Existing/ Ongoing Patient-Physician Relationship does not exist, and in the physicians' professional opinion in accordance with accepted professional standards and practice, the person's care and support requirements can be effectively and appropriately delivered by Video or Telephone.

**Verified-Virtual Visit Solution** means virtual service delivery platforms listed on Ontario Health's public list of verified solutions.

**Virtual Care Service** means a service provided using information technologies to render eligible services to patients remotely.

Eligible Virtual Care Service modalities are:

Telephone means synchronous audio-only communication (no visualization); and

**Video** means 2-way synchronous video-conference (audio and Video visualization) using a Verified-Virtual Visit Solution;

#### **Terms and Conditions for Virtual Care Services**

- 1. Other than a direct physical encounter, all other requirements and conditions for the appropriate service as described in the *Schedule* must be met.
- **2.** Virtual Care Services are *not eligible for payment* where it is not medically appropriate to provide the specific service without a direct physical encounter.
  - **a.** If during the course of a Virtual Care Service it becomes apparent that the service cannot be appropriately completed without a direct physical encounter, the Virtual Care Service is *not eligible for payment* (only the service with a direct physical encounter is eligible for payment).

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- **b.** Where a patient requests a virtual visit (is not willing to present in-person, despite the physician's advice and availability), physicians may submit a claim for the appropriate fee code for the service that was rendered virtually.
- **3.** Video services are *only eligible for payment* when performed using a Verified Virtual Visit Solution.

#### [Commentary:

Ontario Health's public list of verified solutions is available at: <u>https://www.ontariohealth.ca/our-work/digital-standards/virtual-visits-verification-standard/vendor-list.</u>]

- **4.** All other insured services that are rendered by Video or Telephone to insured persons and that are not Comprehensive Virtual Care Services, Limited Virtual Care Services, or specifically listed as insured services or are a component of an insured service are not eligible for payment.
- 5. Virtual Care Services are *not eligible for payment* unless the delivery modality is documented on the patient's medical record.
- 6. Virtual Care Services are *not eligible for payment* unless initiated by the patient or the *patient's representative*, or the service represents a medically necessary follow-up visit to a preceding visit initiated by the patient or the *patient's representative*.

#### [Commentary:

As per GP15, following an insured service, discussion with, and providing advice and information, including prescribing therapy to the patient or the *patient's representative*, whether by Telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service is a specific element of the preceding service and should not be separately claimed. This includes reporting results of related procedures and/or assessments (when professionally appropriate to report without additional patient assessment) and monitoring the patient's condition remotely until the next medically necessary assessment.

For clarity, administrative staff may co-ordinate appointments and organize care in a manner analogous to in-person encounters without violating this condition. Similarly, medically necessary follow-up services may be organized by the provider (or by their staff) without violating the condition. However, a physician-initiated call to "check-in" on a patient would not be eligible for payment, nor would any telephone calls or Video encounters conducted for administrative purposes (such as to inform patients of clinic closures or the availability of remote services).

Furthermore, services are not eligible for payment when initiated by the physician (or the physician's staff) without a clear and medically necessary reason for doing so. For example, the communication of normal lab work, unless medically necessary (in so far as the clinical management of the patient is altered) should not be billed.

Physician-initiated communication to provide advice or guidance regarding a previously rendered service is also not separately eligible/ billable. A common example of this would occur when a patient is provided with a prescription along with instruction to fill it only upon receipt of a positive test result. The call to inform the patient of the test result is not eligible for payment as it would be considered a Specific Element of the initial (refer to: item F, GP15, Schedule of Benefits).

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As a general rule, the provider should consider whether the remote encounter would have occurred in their "in-person" practice. In circumstances where an in-person encounter would not have taken place, it is unlikely that a claim for a virtual service could be supported.

Consultations, which arise from requests from other providers, would not violate the condition in so far as the patient would have assented to the referral as part of their discussion with the referring provider.]

- **7.** Virtual Care Services are *not eligible for payment* unless personally performed by the physician or rendered in accordance with the payment rules regarding supervision of a Medical Trainee.
- **8.** Virtual Care Services are *not eligible for payment* for services provided to hospital inpatients or patients in a Long-Term Care institution unless all of the following requirements have been met:
  - The physician providing the service is not the patient's MRP.
  - The hospital/Long-Term Care institution does not have a physician on staff and present in the community with the expertise to render the necessary service, as documented by the referring physician in the patient's medical record.
  - An assessment with a direct physical encounter by the referring physician must have been completed within 30 days preceding a virtual in-patient *specialist* consultation to confirm the need for a consultation.
- **9.** Services involving a direct physical encounter must be made available by the physician providing Comprehensive Virtual Care Services, or by the physician's group, within a clinically appropriate time-frame, if it becomes apparent during a Virtual Care Service that a service involving a direct physical encounter is medically necessary, or if at the time of scheduling the service the patient expresses preference for a service involving a direct physical encounter.

#### [Commentary:

For the purpose of this provision, with respect to *specialist* and GP Focused Practice Physicians, a group is defined as: those physicians in the same hospital specialty call rotation, or who are co-located in shared clinical physical space, <u>and</u> have shared access to the patient's medical record. For family and general practice physicians, a group is defined as: Patient Enrollment Model physicians who are signatory or contracted to the same specific group contract (i.e., as identified by the same group billing number), or those physicians who are co-located in a shared clinical physical space <u>and</u> have shared access to the patient's medical record].

- 10. If during the course of a Virtual Care Service the modality changes (for example, a Telephone service transitions into a Video service), only the service performed by the modality that represents the greater part (more than 50%) of the time spent providing the Virtual Care Service is payable. For *time-based services*, the combined time of both modalities will be used to calculate the number of time units eligible for payment.
- **11.** For *time-based services*, only time spent in direct communication with the patient or the *patient's representative* in the provision of the insured service will be used to calculate the number of time units eligible for payment.

### [Commentary:

Both the patient and physician must be located in Ontario for the services to be insured and payable under OHIP (see section 37.1 of Regulation 552 under the HIA).]

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#### **Claims submission instructions:**

Comprehensive Virtual Care Services rendered within an Existing/Ongoing Patient-Physician Relationship must be claimed using the fee codes listed in Appendix J – Section 1.

Claims submitted for Comprehensive Virtual Care Services must include the modality indicator that identifies the technology used to deliver the service:

K300A - identifies Video technology used during the service

K301A - identifies Telephone technology (audio only) used during the service

Submit claims for Comprehensive Virtual Care Services using the in-person fee value regardless of whether the service is rendered by Video or Telephone. Payments for Telephone services will be automatically reduced as set out below.

Limited Virtual Care Services rendered outside of an Existing/Ongoing Patient-Physician Relationship must be claimed using the fee codes listed in Appendix J – Section 2.

#### Payment rules:

Comprehensive Virtual Care Services rendered by Video are payable at fees that are equivalent to the corresponding in-person fees for those services; or for Limited Virtual Care Services, the fees listed in Appendix J – Section 2 that correspond to those services.

The amount payable for Comprehensive Virtual Care Services rendered by Telephone is 85% of the corresponding in-person fee except for K007, K005, K197 and K198 which will be payable at 95% of the corresponding in-person fee.

#### Comprehensive Virtual Care Services – Virtual Only Fee Codes

#### Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Assessment (MAMRA) by Video

Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Assessment (MAMRA) by Video is an assessment of a mother or *newborn* provided by a physician upon the written request of a midwife or Aboriginal Midwife because of the complex, obscure or serious nature of the patient's problem and is payable to a family physician or obstetrician for such an assessment in any setting.

Urgent or emergency requests may be initiated verbally but must subsequently be requested in writing. The written request must be retained on the patient's permanent medical record. The MRA must include the common and *specific elements* of a specific assessment by Video and the physician must submit his/her findings, opinions and recommendations verbally to the midwife or Aboriginal Midwife, and in writing to both the midwife or Aboriginal Midwife and the patient's primary care physician, if applicable. Maximum one MAMRA (A814 or A813) per patient per physician per pregnancy.

## Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Special Assessment (MAMRSA) by Video

Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Special Assessment (MAMRSA) by Video must include constituent elements of A814 and is payable in any setting:

- a. to a paediatrician for an urgent or emergency assessment of a newborn; or
- **b.** to a family physician or obstetrician for assessment of a mother or *newborn* when, because of the very complex, obscure or serious nature of the problem, the physician must spend at least 50 minutes in direct patient contact, exclusive of tests. The start and stop times of the assessment must be recorded on the patient's permanent medical record. In the absence of such information, the service is payable as A814. Maximum one MAMRSA (A817 or A815) per patient per physician per pregnancy.

## Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Anaesthesia Assessment (MAMRAA) by Video

Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Anaesthesia Assessment (MAMRAA) by Video is an assessment of a mother or *newborn* provided by an anaesthesiologist upon the written request of a midwife or Aboriginal Midwife because of the complex, obscure or serious nature of the patient's problem and is payable to an anaesthesiologist for such an assessment in any setting.

Urgent or emergency requests may be initiated verbally but must subsequently be requested in writing. The written request must be retained on the patient's permanent medical record. The MRAA must include the common and *specific elements* of a specific assessment by Video and the physician must submit his/her findings, opinions and recommendations verbally to the midwife or Aboriginal Midwife and in writing to both the midwife or Aboriginal Midwife and the patient's primary care physician, if applicable. Maximum one MAMRAA (A818 or A816) per patient per anaesthesiologist per pregnancy.

#### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

### Focused practice consultation by Video

Focused practice consultation by Video is a consultation rendered by a GP Focused Practice Physician who completes a full, relevant history of the presenting complaint and detailed examination of the affected part(s), region(s), or system(s) needed to make a diagnosis, and/or exclude disease, and/or assess function.

A010 GP focused practice consultation by Video ...... 87.90

## Focused practice repeat consultation by Video

Focused practice repeat consultation by Video is a repeat consultation rendered by a GP Focused Practice Physician who completes a full, relevant history of the presenting complaint and detailed examination of the affected part(s), region(s), or system(s) needed to make a diagnosis, and/or exclude disease, and/or assess function.

A011 GP focused practice repeat consultation by Video ...... 45.90

### Focused practice limited consultation by Video

Focused practice limited consultation by Video is a limited consultation rendered by a GP Focused Practice Physician who completes a full, relevant history of the presenting complaint and detailed examination of the affected part(s), region(s), or system(s) needed to make a diagnosis, and/or exclude disease, and/or assess function.

## Focused practice special consultation by Video

Focused practice special consultation by Video is a consultation rendered by a GP Focused Practice Physician who completes a full, relevant history of the presenting complaint and detailed examination of the affected part(s), region(s), or system(s) needed to make a diagnosis, and/or exclude disease, and/or assess function and who spends a minimum of 50 minutes of direct contact with the patient, exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

A913 GP focused practice special consultation by Video ...... 150.70

### Focused practice comprehensive consultation by Video

Focused practice comprehensive consultation by Video is a consultation rendered by a GP Focused Practice Physician who completes a full, relevant history of the presenting complaint and detailed examination of the affected part(s), region(s), or system(s) needed to make a diagnosis, and/or exclude disease, and/or assess function and who spends a minimum of 75 minutes of direct contact with the patient, exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

A914 GP focused practice comprehensive consultation by Video... 226.05

### [Commentary:

Required elements of consultations are set out under the heading Consultations in the General Preamble.]

#### **Limited Virtual Care Services**

#### **Definitions/Required Elements of Service**

A Limited Virtual Care Service is an assessment which includes at a minimum, history-taking and medically appropriate exam to arrive at a diagnosis and provide an appropriate management plan and/or management, and when provided, the other specific elements of assessments.

A101 Limited Virtual Care by Video	20.00
A102 Limited Virtual Care by Telephone	15.00

#### VIRTUAL CARE SERVICES – PREMIUMS AND MANAGEMENT FEES

#### Premiums

The applicable premium(s) listed in the Premiums Table below are payable to physicians when providing eligible Comprehensive Virtual Care Services:

Applicable Premium	Descriptor	Premium Payable
E060	Post renal transplant assessment premium	25% of fee for virtual service
E078	Chronic Disease Assessment Premium	50% of fee for virtual service
E080 (video only)	First visit by primary care physician after hospital discharge	\$25.25
E088	Congestive heart failure premium	50% of fee for virtual service
E098	Gastroenterology chronic disease assessment premium	28% of fee for virtual service
K187	Acute post-discharge community psychiatric care	15% of fee for virtual service
K188	High-risk community psychiatric care	15% of fee for virtual service
K189 (video only)	Urgent community psychiatric follow-up	\$216.30
E079	Smoking cessation: Initial discussion with patient, to eligible services	\$13.20 for phone and \$15.55 for video
Age-Based Fee Premiums	-	10-30% of fee for virtual service
Focused Practice Psychotherapy Premium	-	17% of fee for virtual service
Internal Medicine Office Assessment Premium	-	12% of fee for virtual service
FHG In-Basket Premium	-	10% of fee for virtual service

#### **Management Fees**

Comprehensive Virtual Care Services are included as a consultation or assessment for the purposes of meeting the requirements for payment of the applicable management fee(s) listed in the Management Fees for Services by Telephone or Video Table below.

## [Commentary:

All requirements and conditions for the appropriate management fee as described in the *Schedule* must be met.]

Fee Code	Descriptor
K045	Endocrinology & Metab/Internal Med-Diabetes management by a <i>specialist</i> -annual
K046	Endocrinology & Metab/Internal Med-Diabetes team management-annual
Q040	GP/FP-Diabetes management incentive- annual
K119	Paediatrics-Paediatric developmental assessment incentive-annual
K481	Rheumatology-Rheumatoid arthritis management by a specialist-annual
K682	Opioid Agonist Maintenance Program monthly management fee-intensive, per month
K683	Opioid Agonist Maintenance Program monthly management fee-maintenance, per month
K684	Opioid Agonist Maintenance Program-team premium, per month, to K682 or K683 add
K030*	Diabetic management assessment

#### Payment rules:

\* A virtual K030 is only eligible for payment if a K030 involving a direct physical encounter has been performed in the preceding 12 months.

## ANAESTHESIA (01)

### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

#### Consultation

A015	Consultation	109.70
A016	Repeat consultation	52.15

## SPECIAL ANAESTHETIC CONSULTATION

## Definition/Required elements of service:

A special anaesthetic consultation is rendered when an anaesthesia (01) *specialist* provides all the appropriate elements of a regular consultation and is required to devote at least fifty (50) minutes of direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

## Limited consultation for acute pain management

A limited consultation for acute pain management is a consultation which takes place when a physician is requested by another physician to see a hospital in-patient because of the complexity or severity of the acute pain condition.

## Payment rules:

- **1.** The routine pre-anaesthetic evaluation of the patient required by Reg 965 of the *Public Hospitals Act* does not constitute a consultation, regardless of where and when this evaluation is performed.
- **2.**For A210 the start and stop time of the service must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record
- **3.**A215 is not eligible for payment:
  - **a.**with P014C introduction of catheter for labour analgesia, including the first dose of medication with or without any combined spinal-epidural injection(s);
  - **b**.for management of routine post-operative pain; or

c.for *referrals* from another anaesthesiologist.

## [Commentary:

- **1.**The general anaesthesia service includes a pre-anaesthetic evaluation, with specific elements as for assessments (see GP15) which does not constitute a consultation
- **2.**P014C is an anaesthesia service, therefore the pre-anaesthetic evaluation is included in the service and is not payable as a limited consultation for acute pain management or as any other consultation or assessment.]

#### **ANAESTHESIA (01)**

#### Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Anaesthesia Assessment (MAMRAA)

Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Anaesthesia Assessment (MAMRAA) is an assessment of a mother or newborn provided by an anaesthesiologist upon the written request of a midwife or aboriginal midwife because of the complex, obscure or serious nature of the patient's problem and is payable to an anaesthesiologist for such an assessment in any setting.

Urgent or emergency requests may be initiated verbally but must subsequently be requested in writing. The written request must be retained on the patient's permanent medical record. The MAMRAA must include the common and specific elements of a general or specific assessment and the physician must submit his/her findings, opinions and recommendations verbally to the midwife or aboriginal midwife and in writing to both the midwife or aboriginal midwife and the patient's primary care physician, if applicable. Maximum one MAMRAA per patient per anaesthesiologist per pregnancy.

A816 Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Anaesthesia

Assessment (I	MAMRAA		106.80
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#### **Claims submission instructions:**

When providing this service to a hospital in-patient in association with a special visit premium, submit claim using A215 and the appropriate special visit premium beginning with a "C" prefix.

A013	Specific assessment	64.65
A014	Partial assessment	31.45

#### **EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)**

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the emergency department when seeing patients in the emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

#### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C015 Consultation - subject to the same conditions as A015	109.70
C016 Repeat consultation	52.15
C210 Special anaesthetic consultation – subject to same conditions as A210	163.20
C215 Limited consultation for acute pain management - subject to the same conditions as A215	69.75
C013 Specific assessment	64.65
C014 Specific re-assessment	28.00
C816 Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-Requested Anaesthesiologist Assessment (MAMRAA) - subject to the same conditions as	
A816	106.80

## ANAESTHESIA (01)

Su	bsequent visits	
C012	- first five weeks per visit	31.00
C017	<ul> <li>sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient</li> </ul>	
_	per week) per visit	31.00
C019		04.00
	per visit	31.00
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
S	ee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122	<ul> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li> </ul>	61.15
C123	<ul> <li>second day following the hospital assessment</li> </ul>	61.15
C124	- day of discharge	61.15
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Su	bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an intens	
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S C142 C143 C121	<ul> <li>bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an intensible GP46 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area</li> <li>second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area</li> <li>Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General</li> </ul>	<b>Sive care area</b> 61.15 61.15

CARDIOLOGY (60)	
For services not listed, refer to Internal Medicine section	
GENERAL LISTINGS	
A605 Consultation	161.65
A765 Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
Comprehensive cardiology consultation	
This service is a consultation rendered by a <i>specialist</i> in cardiology wh appropriate elements of a consultation and spends a minimum of seve direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any ot intervention to the patient.	enty-five (75) minutes of
A600 Comprehensive cardiology consultation	310.45
The start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent amount payable for the service will be adjusted to a lesser paying fee. [Commentary: 1.A600 must satisfy all the elements of a consultation (see page GP16)	
2. The calculation of the 75 minute minimum time for comprehensive calculates time devoted to any other service or procedure for which a addition to the consultation.]	ardiology consultations
A675 Limited consultation	105.25
A606 Repeat consultation	105.25
A603 Medical specific assessment	81.55
A604 Medical specific re-assessment	61.25
A601 Complex medical specific re-assessment	70.90
A608 Partial assessment	38.05
CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE PREMIUM	
Definition/ Required elements of service:	

Congestive heart failure premium is payable in addition to the amount payable for an assessment by a cardiology specialist (60) when all of the following criteria are met:

- **a.** The assessment is a:
  - i. medical specific assessment;
  - ii. medical specific re-assessment;
  - iii. complex medical specific re-assessment; or
  - iv. partial assessment.
- **b.** The assessment is rendered in an office setting or an out-patient clinic located in a hospital, other than an emergency department.
- **c.** The patient has an established diagnosis of congestive heart failure, documented in the patient's medical record.

E088 Congestive heart failure premium...... add 50%

#### [Commentary:

The congestive heart failure premium is not payable for assessments rendered to inpatients of any hospital, patients seen in a long-term care facility or patients seen in an emergency department.]

## CARDIOLOGY (60)

### **Claims submission instructions:**

Submit claims with diagnostic code 428.

## **EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)**

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the emergency department when seeing patients in the emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

## NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C605	Consultation	161.65
C765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
C600	Comprehensive cardiology consultation - subject to the same conditions as A600	310.45
0675		105.25
	Limited consultation	105.25
	Repeat consultation	
	Medical specific assessment	81.55
C604	Medical specific re-assessment	61.25
	Complex medical specific re-assessment	70.90
	bsequent visits	04.40
C602	- first five weeks per visit	34.10
C607	- sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	24.40
0000	per week) per visit	34.10
C609	- after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	34.10
	per visit	34.10
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
S	ee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122	- day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123	- second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124	- day of discharge	61.15
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	bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care a see General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	lied
C142		
0142	intensive care area	61.15
C143	- second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from	01.10
0110	an intensive care area	61.15
C101		
0121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General Preamble GP43)per visit	34.10
C608	Concurrent care per visit	34.10
	Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
0902	ramative care (see General Freathble GF50)	34.10

## **CARDIAC SURGERY (09)**

## **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A095	Consultation	94.30
A935	Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).	163.20
A096	Repeat consultation	62.65
A093	Specific assessment	46.40
A094	Partial assessment	25.30

## EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the emergency department when seeing patients in the emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

## NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

<ul> <li>C095 Consultation</li> <li>C935 Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).</li> <li>C096 Repeat consultation</li> <li>C093 Specific assessment</li> <li>C094 Specific re-assessment</li> </ul>	94.30 163.20 62.65 46.40 27.25
Subsequent visits	
C092 - first five weeksper visit	31.00
C097 - sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	
per week) per visit	31.00
C099 - after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	31.00
	51.00
Subsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122 - day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123 - second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124 - day of discharge	61.15
Subsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an intensive ca	are area
See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142 - first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an	
intensive care area	61.15
C143 - second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from	
an intensive care area	61.15
C121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
Preamble GP43)per visit	34.10
C098 Concurrent careper visit	31.00
C982 Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50)per visit	34.10

#### **CARDIAC SURGERY (09)**

### NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

W095 Consultation	94.30
W096 Repeat consultation	62.65

## **CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY (62)**

#### For Services not listed, refer to Internal Medicine Section.

#### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A625	Consultation	159.00
A765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
A525	Limited consultation	105.25
A626	Repeat consultation	105.25
A623	Medical specific assessment	80.90
A624	Medical specific re-assessment	62.05
A621	Complex medical specific re-assessment	71.80
A628	Partial assessment	38.55
E078	- chronic disease assessment premium (see General	

Preamble GP25) ..... add 50%

## **EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)**

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

## NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C625	Consultation	159.00
C765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
C525	Limited consultation	105.25
C626	Repeat consultation	105.25
C623	Medical specific assessment	80.90
C624	Medical specific re-assessment	62.05
C621	Complex medical specific re-assessment	71.80
Su	bsequent visits	
C622	- first five weeks per visit	34.10
C627	- sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	
	per week) per visit	34.10
C629	<ul> <li>after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)</li> </ul>	
	per visit	34.10
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
S	ee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122	- day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123	- second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124	- day of discharge	61.15

## CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY (62)

Subsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area		
ee General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.		
- first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area	61.15	
<ul> <li>second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area</li> </ul>	61.15	
Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General Preamble GP43)per visit	34.10	
Concurrent care per visit	34.10	
Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10	
	<ul> <li>ee General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area</li> <li>second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area</li> <li>Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General Preamble GP43)</li></ul>	

## **COMMUNITY MEDICINE (05)**

#### **General Listings**

### Special community medicine consultation

This service is a consultation rendered by a *specialist* in community medicine who provides all the appropriate elements of a consultation and spends a minimum of fifty (50) minutes of direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

#### Comprehensive community medicine consultation

This service is a consultation rendered by a *specialist* in community medicine who provides all the appropriate elements of a consultation and spends a minimum of seventy-five (75) minutes of direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

#### Medical record requirements:

For A050 and A400, the start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to a lesser paying fee.

#### [Commentary:

**1.**A050 and A400 must satisfy all the elements of a consultation (see General Preamble GP16).

**2.** The calculation of the 50 and 75 minute minimum time for special and comprehensive community medicine consultations respectively excludes time devoted to any other service or procedure for which an amount is payable in addition to the consultation.]

A405	Limited consultation	84.20
A056	Repeat consultation	84.20
A053	Medical specific assessment	79.85
A054	Medical specific re-assessment	61.25
A051	Complex medical specific re-assessment	70.90
A058	Partial assessment	38.05

### **EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)**

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the emergency department when seeing patients in the emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C055	Consultation	125.60
C050	Special community medicine consultation – subject to the	
	same conditions as A050	144.75
C400	Comprehensive community medicine consultation – subject to	
	the same conditions as A400	240.55
C405	Limited consultation	84.20
C056	Repeat consultation	84.20

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#### **COMMUNITY MEDICINE (05)** Subsequent visits - first five weeks ..... per visit C052 34.10 - sixth to thirteenth week (maximum 3 per patient per week) C057 ..... per visit 34.10 - after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month) C059 34.10 per visit Subsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP) See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions. C122 - day following the hospital admission assessment..... 61.15 C123 - second day following the hospital assessment ..... 61.15 C124 - day of discharge..... 61.15 Subsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions. - first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an C142 Intensive Care Area 61.15 C143 - second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area..... 61.15 C121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General Preamble GP43) ..... per visit 34.10 C058 Concurrent care per visit 34.10 C982 Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) ...... per visit 34.10

### NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

W055 Consultation	125.60
W050 Special community medicine consultation – subject to the same conditions as A050	144.75
W400 Comprehensive community medicine consultation – subject to	
the same conditions as A400	240.55
W405 Limited consultation	84.20
W056 Repeat consultation	84.20
Admission assessment	
W402 - Type 1	69.35
W404 - Type 2	20.60
W407 - Type 3	30.70
W409 Periodic health visit W054 General re-assessment of patient in nursing home (as per the	65.05
Nursing Homes Act)*	20.60

## **COMMUNITY MEDICINE (05)**

#### Note:

\*May only be claimed 6 *months* after Periodic health visit (as per the *Nursing Homes Act*).

### Subsequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)

С	hronic care or convalescent hospital	
W052	- first 4 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W051	- additional subsequent visits (maximum 6 per patient per	
	month) per visit	34.10
W982	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
Ν	ursing <i>home</i> or <i>home</i> for the aged	
W053	- first 2 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W058	<ul> <li>additional subsequent visits (maximum 3 per patient per</li> </ul>	
	month) per visit	34.10
W972	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
W121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
	Preamble GP49) per visit	34.10

## **CRITICAL CARE MEDICINE (11)**

### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A715	Consultation	175.55
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### Comprehensive critical care medicine consultation

This service is a consultation rendered by a *specialist* in critical care medicine who provides all the appropriate elements of a consultation and spends a minimum of seventy-five (75) minutes of direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

A710	Comprehensive critical care medicine consultation	310.45
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#### Medical record requirements:

The start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.

A915	Limited consultation	108.95
A116	Repeat consultation	108.95
A713	Medical specific assessment	87.60
A114	Medical specific re-assessment	65.90
A111	Complex medical specific re-assessment	76.30
A118	Partial assessment	39.60

## EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

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Subsequent visits				
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34.10				
34.10				
Subsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)				
61.15				
61.15				
61.15				

## **CRITICAL CARE MEDICINE (11)**

Subsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area			
S	ee General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.		
C142	- first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area	61.15	
C143	<ul> <li>second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area</li> </ul>	61.15	
C121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General Preamble GP43) per visit	34.10	
	Concurrent care	34.10 34.10	

#### **DERMATOLOGY (02)**

GENERAL LISTINGS A025 Consultation A027 Consultation in association with special visit to a hospital in- patient, long-term care in-patient or emergency department	72.15	
patient	147.30	
<b>Claims submission instructions:</b> Submit claim using A027 and the appropriate special visit premium beginning with "C" prefix for a hospital in-patient, "W" prefix for a long-term care in-patient or "K" prefix for an emergency department patient.		
A026 Repeat consultation	44.45	
A023 Specific assessment	43.00	
A024 Partial assessment	21.90	
U025 Initial e-assessment	44.45	
U023 Repeat e-assessment	29.00	
U026 Follow-up e-assessment	21.90	
U021 Minor e-assessment	11.00	

#### Advanced Dermatology Consultation

This service is a consultation for the investigation, diagnosis, and management of any of the following diseases of the integumentary system where the complexity of the condition requires the medical expertise of a specialist in Dermatology (02).

- a. Complex systemic disease with skin manifestations for at least one of the following:
  - i. sarcoidosis;
  - ii. systemic lupus erythematosus;
  - iii. dermatomyositis;
  - iv. scleroderma;
  - v. relapsing polychondritis;
  - **vi.** inflammatory bowel disease related diseases (i.e. pyoderma gangrenosum, Sweet's syndrome, erythema nodosum);
  - vii. porphyria;
  - viii. autoimmune blistering diseases (e.g. pemphigus, pemphigoid, linear IgA);
  - ix. paraneoplastic syndromes involving the skin;
  - x. vasculitis (including Behcet's disease); or
  - xi. cutaneous lymphomas (including lymphomatoid papulosis). or
- **b.** Chronic pruritus *with or without* skin manifestations (i.e. prurigo nodularis). or
- c. Complex systemic drug reactions for at least one of the following:
  - i. drug hypersensitivity syndrome;
  - ii. erythema multiforme major; or
  - iii. toxic epidermal necrolysis.

## **DERMATOLOGY (02)**

or

- **d.** "Complex psoriasis" or "complex dermatitis" as defined by at least one of the following criteria:
  - i. involvement of body surface area of greater than 30%;
  - ii. treatment with systemic therapy (e.g. methotrexate, acitretin, cyclosporine, biologics); or
  - iii. a visit that requires at least 30 minutes of direct patient encounter time.

## **DERMATOLOGY (02)**

### Complex dermatology assessment

This service is an assessment for the ongoing management of any of the following diseases where the complexity of the condition requires the continuing management by a dermatology *specialist*.

- a. Complex systemic disease with skin manifestations for at least one of the following:
  - i. sarcoidosis;
  - ii. systemic lupus erythematosus;
  - iii. dermatomyositis;
  - iv. scleroderma;
  - v. relapsing polychondritis;
  - **vi.** inflammatory bowel disease related diseases (i.e. pyoderma gangrenosum, Sweet's syndrome, erythema nodosum);
  - vii. porphyria;
  - viii. autoimmune blistering diseases (e.g. pemphigus, pemphigoid, linear IgA);
  - ix. paraneoplastic syndromes involving the skin;
  - x. vasculitis (including Behcet's disease); or
  - xi. cutaneous lymphomas (including lymphomatoid papulosis).

or

**b.** Chronic pruritus *with or without* skin manifestations (i.e. prurigo nodularis).

or

- c. Complex systemic drug reactions for at least one of the following:
  - i. drug hypersensitivity syndrome;
  - ii. erythema multifome major; or
  - iii. toxic epidermal necrolysis.

or

- **d.** "Complex psoriasis" or "complex dermatitis" as defined by at least one of the following criteria:
  - i. involvement of body surface area of greater than 30%;
  - ii. treatment with systemic therapy (e.g. methotrexate, acitretin, cyclosporine, biologics); or
  - **iii.** a visit that requires at least 15 minutes of direct patient encounter time.

## Payment rules:

- **1.**A complex dermatology assessment must include all the elements of a specific assessment or the amount payable will be adjusted to lesser assessment fee.
- **2.**Complex dermatology assessments are limited to 6 per patient, per physician, per *12 month period*. Services in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

## **DERMATOLOGY (02)**

# EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patient(s) in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C025	Consultation	147.30
C026	Repeat consultation	44.45
C023	Specific assessment	43.00
	Specific re-assessment	25.40
C020	Complex dermatology assessment - subject to same	
	conditions as A020	60.00
Su	bsequent visits	
C022	- first five weeksper visit	34.10
C027	- sixth to thirteenth week (maximum 3 per patient per week)	
	per visit	34.10
C029	<ul> <li>after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)</li> </ul>	
	per visit	34.10
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
S	ee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122	- day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123	- second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124	- day of discharge	61.15
Su	bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an inte	nsive care area
S	See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142	- first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an	
-	Intensive Care Area	61.15
C143	- second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from	
	an intensive care area	61.15
C121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
0121	Preamble GP43) per visit	34.10
C028	Concurrent care per visit	34.10
C082	Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
-	IN-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES	-
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convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78

W025 Consultation	147.30
W026 Repeat consultation	44.45

# **DERMATOLOGY (02)**

## Subsequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)

Chronic care or convalescent hospital

W022 W021	<ul> <li>first 4 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit</li> <li>additional subsequent visits (maximum 6 per patient per</li> </ul>	34.10
	month) per visit	34.10
W982	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
Ν	ursing <i>home</i> or <i>home</i> for the aged	
W023	- first 2 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W028	- additional subsequent visits (maximum 3 per patient per	
	month) per visit	34.10
W972	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
W121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
	Preamble GP49)per visit	34.10

## **EMERGENCY MEDICINE (12)**

## **EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT - PHYSICIAN ON DUTY**

## Note:

1.See General Preamble GP50 for definitions and conditions for physicians on duty.

2.All other consultations and visits - use the listings for Family Practice & Practice In General.

# **ENDOCRINOLOGY & METABOLISM (15)**

GENERAL LISTINGS

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A155	Consultation	165.30
A765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50

#### Comprehensive endocrinology consultation

This service is a consultation rendered by a *specialist* in endocrinology who provides all the appropriate elements of a consultation and spends a minimum of seventy-five (75) minutes of direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

## Medical record requirements:

The start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to a lesser paying fee.

### [Commentary:

1.A150 must satisfy all the elements of a consultation (see page GP16).

**2.** The calculation of the 75 minute minimum time for comprehensive endocrinology consultations excludes time devoted to any other service or procedure for which an amount is payable in addition to the consultation.]

A255	Limited consultation	105.25
A156	Repeat consultation	105.25
A153	Medical specific assessment	84.60
A154	Medical specific re-assessment	62.85
A151	Complex medical specific re-assessment	74.80
A158	Partial assessment	39.10
<b>F</b> 070		

E078 - chronic disease assessment premium (see General Preamble GP25).....add 50%

#### Complex endocrine neoplastic disease assessment

This service is an assessment in relation to one or more of the following diseases where the complexity of the condition requires the ongoing management by an endocrinologist:

- a.thyroid neoplasm;
- **b.**parathyroid neoplasm;
- c.pituitary neoplasm; or
- **d.**adrenal neoplasm.

## Payment rules:

**1.**A760 must include the elements of a medical specific re-assessment, or the amount payable will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

**2.**A760 is limited to 6 per patient, per physician, per *12 month period* and up to 12 per patient per physician for 24 consecutive *months*. Services in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

3.E078 is not eligible for payment with A760.

## [Commentary:

A760 is not payable for the evaluation and/or management of uncomplicated endocrine disorders.]

## **ENDOCRINOLOGY & METABOLISM (15)**

## DIABETES MANAGEMENT BY A SPECIALIST

## Definition/Required elements of service:

Diabetes Management by a *specialist* is a service rendered by a *specialist* in Endocrinology, Internal Medicine or Paediatrics who is most responsible for providing ongoing management of a diabetic patient. This service includes all services related to the coordination, provision and documentation of ongoing management using a planned care approach consistent with the required elements of the current Canadian Diabetes Association (CDA) Clinical Practice Guidelines. The medical record must document that all of the CDA required elements have been provided for the previous *12 month period* and include, at a minimum, the following:

- **a.**Lipids, cholesterol, HbA1C, blood pressure, weight and *body mass index (BMI)*, and medication dosage;
- **b**.Discussion and offer of preventive measures including vascular protection, influenza and pneumococcal vaccination;
- c.Health promotion counselling and patient self-management support;
- **d**.Albumin to creatinine ratio (ACR);
- e.Discussion and offer of referral for dilated eye examination; and
- f. Foot examination and neurologic examination.

### Payment rules:

**1.**K045 is limited to a maximum of one service per patient per *12 month period*.

- **2.**K045 is *only eligible for payment* if the physician has rendered a minimum of 4 of any of the following: consultations/assessments, K013, K033, K029, K002, K003 to the same patient in the *12 month period* for which K045 is claimed.
- **3.**K045 is *only eligible for payment* when the physician has greater than 100 patients per year with diabetes.
- **4.**K045 is eligible for payment to a physician from one of the following specialties: Internal Medicine (13), Endocrinology (15) or Paediatrics (26).

#### Medical record requirements:

K045 is *only eligible for payment* if the flow sheet and/or a diabetic registry record has been completed for the previous *12 month period* including the above listed requirements and is maintained in the patient's permanent medical record.

#### Claims submission instructions:

Claims for K045 may only be submitted when the required elements of the service have been completed for the previous *12 month period*.

#### [Commentary:

A copy of a flow sheet meeting the medical record requirements and CDA Clinical Practice Guidelines may be found at www.*oma*.org or www.diabetes.ca/for-professionals/resources/ 2008-cpg]

# **ENDOCRINOLOGY & METABOLISM (15)**

## DIABETES TEAM MANAGEMENT (DTM)

## Definition/Required elements of service:

This is an annual fee payable to a *specialist* in internal medicine or endocrinology for the comprehensive team-based care of a patient with diabetes.

The diabetes management team must include the *specialist* most responsible for the diabetes management of the patient and at least one or more Certified Diabetes Educators (CDE). DTM includes all services related to the coordination, provision and documentation of all required elements of ongoing care, as necessary, by the physician and/or the CDE.

## Payment rules:

**1.** A maximum of one K046 is eligible for payment per patient per *12 month period*.

- **2.**K046 is *only eligible for payment* if all of the following requirements are fulfilled:
  - **a.**the physician has rendered a minimum of 4 of any combination of consultations/ assessments or K013, K033, K029, K002, K003 to the same patient in the *12 month period* for which K046 is claimed;
  - **b**.the CDE is an employee of the physician;
  - **c.**when the physician has treated more than 100 patients with diabetes during the period for which K046 is claimed; and
  - **d**.the physician is from one of the following specialities: Internal Medicine (13) or Endocrinology (15).
- **3.**K046 is *not eligible for payment* unless the physician documents the services rendered by the CDE. The physician must provide such documentation to the ministry, if requested.
- **4.** The CDE must have current certification by the Canadian Diabetes Educator Certification Board at the time the CDE renders services to the patient.

## Medical record requirements:

**1.**K046 is *only eligible for payment* when the record includes a flow sheet and/or a diabetic registry record meeting the published Standards of Care as defined in the Canadian Diabetes Association Clinical Practice Guidelines. The minimum required elements of the diabetes flow sheet include:

a.Laboratory parameters including:

- i. Lipid profile (cholesterol, triglycerides);
- ii. glycosylated haemoglobin (HgbA1C);
- iii. albumin to creatinine ratio (ACR; and
- iv. estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) or Creatinine Clearance (CrCl)

**b.**Blood pressure;

- c.Height, weight and body mass index (BMI);
- d.Medications (including dosage);
- e.Services related to prevention of diabetic complications;
- f. Health promotion counselling and patient self-management support;
- g.Evaluation and *referral*, as necessary, for dilated eye examination;
- h.Foot examination; and

i. Neurological examination

# ENDOCRINOLOGY & METABOLISM (15)

**2.**K046 is *not eligible for payment* unless the record identifies any CDE performing the elements of the flow sheet.

# [Commentary:

- **1.** In circumstances where the CDE is employed by facilities, organizations or persons other than the physician, such as public hospitals, public health units, ICHSCs, industrial clinics or long-term care facilities, K046 is *not eligible for payment*.
- 2. For payment purposes, services rendered by the Certified Diabetic Educator (CDE) do not require the physical presence of a physician for direct supervision. It is required that the CDE performing services has the appropriate authorization from the applicable regulatory college, the CDE reports to the physician, and the services are rendered in accordance with accepted professional standards and practice.
- **3.**K046 is payable in addition to K045.]

## **Claims submission instructions:**

Claims for K046 may only be submitted when the required elements of the service have been completed for the previous *12 month period*.

# **ENDOCRINOLOGY & METABOLISM (15)**

## **EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)**

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the emergency department when seeing patients in the emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

## NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to in-patients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C155	Consultation	165.30
C765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
C150	Comprehensive endocrinology consultation - subject to the	
	same conditions as A150	310.45
C255	Limited consultation	105.25
C156	Repeat consultation	105.25
C153	Medical specific assessment	84.60
C154	Medical specific re-assessment	62.85
C151	Complex medical specific re-assessment	74.80
C760	Complex endocrine neoplastic disease assessment - subject	
	to the same conditions as A760	90.75
Su	bsequent visits	
C152	- first five weeksper visit	34.10
C157	- sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	
	per week per visit	34.10
C159	- after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	
	per visit	34.10
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Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP) see General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	61.15
S	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP) see General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions. - day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15 61.15
S C122	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP) see General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
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S C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b> S	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP) see General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions. - day following the hospital admission assessment - second day following the hospital assessment - day of discharge bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an inter- see General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	61.15 61.15
S C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b>	<ul> <li>bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)</li> <li>bee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li> <li>second day following the hospital assessment</li> <li>day of discharge</li> <li>bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an interface General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an interface for the following transfer for the following transfe</li></ul>	61.15 61.15 nsive care area
S C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b> S C142	<ul> <li>bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)</li> <li>bee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li> <li>second day following the hospital assessment</li> <li>day of discharge</li> <li>bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an intersive care area</li> </ul>	61.15 61.15 nsive care area 61.15
S C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b> S	<ul> <li>bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)</li> <li>bee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li> <li>second day following the hospital assessment</li> <li>day of discharge</li></ul>	61.15 61.15 nsive care area 61.15
S C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b> S C142 C143	<ul> <li>bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)</li> <li>bee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li></ul>	61.15 61.15 nsive care area 61.15
S C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b> S C142 C143	<ul> <li>bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)</li> <li>bee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li></ul>	61.15 61.15 nsive care area 61.15 61.15
S C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b> S C142 C143	<ul> <li>bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)</li> <li>bee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li></ul>	61.15 61.15 nsive care area 61.15
S C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b> S C142 C143 C121	<ul> <li>bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)</li> <li>bee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li></ul>	61.15 61.15 nsive care area 61.15 61.15

# **ENDOCRINOLOGY & METABOLISM (15)**

## NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

W155	Consultation	165.30
W765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	167.00
W150	Comprehensive endocrinology consultation - subject to the	
	same conditions as A150	310.45
W255	Limited consultation	105.25
W156	Repeat consultation	105.25
W760	Complex endocrine neoplastic disease assessment - subject	
	to the same conditions as A760	90.75
Adr	nission assessment	
<b>Adr</b> W252	nission assessment - Type 1	69.35
-	- Type 1	69.35 20.60
W252	- Type 1	
W252 W254 W257	- Type 1 - Type 2	20.60
W252 W254 W257 W259	- Type 1 - Type 2 - Type 3	20.60 30.70

#### Note:

\*May only be claimed 6 months after Periodic health visit (as per the Nursing Homes Act).

## Subsequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)

Chronic care or convalescent hospital

W152 W151	<ul> <li>first 4 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit</li> <li>additional subsequent visits (maximum of 6 per patient per</li> </ul>	34.10
_	month) per visit	34.10
W982	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
Nu	ursing <i>home</i> or <i>home</i> for the aged	
W153	- first 2 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W158	- subsequent visits per month (maximum of 3 per patient per	
	month) per visit	34.10
W972	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
W121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
	Preamble GP49)per visit	34.10

## **GASTROENTEROLOGY (41)**

#### For Services not listed, refer to Internal Medicine section.

### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A415	Consultation	157.00
A765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
A545	Limited consultation	105.25
A416	Repeat consultation	105.25
A413	Medical specific assessment	80.35
A414	Medical specific re-assessment	61.25
A411	Complex medical specific re-assessment	70.90
A418	Partial assessment	38.05
A120	Colonoscopy assessment, same day as colonoscopy	18.85

#### Note:

**1.**A120 is the only assessment service eligible for payment on the same day as a colonoscopy if a major pre-operative visit has been rendered by any physician in the *12 month period* prior to the date of the colonoscopy service.

- **2.**A120 is *not eligible for payment* if a major pre-operative visit is eligible for payment on the same day as colonoscopy.
- **3.**A120 is *only eligible for payment* to physicians in the following specialties: Internal Medicine (13) and Gastroenterology (41).

#### [Commentary:

For the definition of major pre-operative visit, see the definition page GP4.]

## GASTROENTEROLOGY CHRONIC DISEASE ASSESSMENT PREMIUM

#### Definition/ Required elements of service:

Gastroenterology chronic disease assessment premium is payable in addition to the amount payable for an assessment by a gastroenterology specialist (41) when all of the following criteria are met:

- a. The assessment is a
  - i. medical specific assessment;
  - ii. medical specific re-assessment;
  - iii. complex medical specific re-assessment; or
  - iv. partial assessment.
- **b.** The assessment is rendered in an office setting or an out-patient clinic located in a hospital, other than an emergency department.
- **c.** The patient has an established diagnosis of Crohn's disease, Ulcerative Colitis or chronic liver cirrhosis, documented in the patient's medical record.
- E098 Gastroenterology chronic disease assessment premium

..... add 28%

## [Commentary:

The gastroenterology chronic disease assessment premium is not payable for assessments rendered to inpatients of any hospital, patients seen in a long-term care facility or patients seen in an emergency department.]

# **GASTROENTEROLOGY (41)**

### **Claims submission instructions:**

Submit claims with one of the following diagnostic codes: 555, 556 or 571.

## **EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)**

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the emergency department when seeing patients in the emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

## NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C415 Consultation	157.00
C765 Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
C545 Limited consultation	105.25
C416 Repeat consultation	105.25
C413 Medical specific assessment	80.35
C414 Medical specific re-assessment	61.25
C411 Complex medical specific re-assessment	70.90

# GASTROENTEROLOGY (41)

Su	bsequent visits	
C412	I. I	34.10
C417	<ul> <li>sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient per week) per visit</li> </ul>	34.10
C419	- after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	34.10
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
S	ee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122	- day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123	<ul> <li>second day following the hospital assessment</li> </ul>	61.15
C124	- day of discharge	61.15
Su	bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an intensive car	e area
	bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care see General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	e area
S		e area
S	ee General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	<b>e area</b> 61.15
S C142	<ul> <li>General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area</li> <li>second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from</li> </ul>	
S C142	ee General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions. - first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area	
S C142 C143	<ul> <li>General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area</li> <li>second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from</li> </ul>	61.15
S C142 C143	<ul> <li>General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area</li> <li>second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area</li> </ul>	61.15
S C142 C143 C121	<ul> <li>General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area</li> <li>second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area</li> <li>Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General Preamble GP43) per visit</li> </ul>	61.15 61.15
S C142 C143 C121 C418	<ul> <li>General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area</li> <li>second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an intensive care area</li> <li>Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see</li> </ul>	61.15 61.15 34.10

## **GENERAL SURGERY (03)**

### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A035	Consultation	96.20
A935	Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).	163.20
A036	Repeat consultation	64.10
A033	Specific assessment	47.30
A034	Partial assessment	28.60

## **EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)**

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

## NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

<ul> <li>C035 Consultation</li> <li>C935 Special surgical consultation (see G</li> <li>C036 Repeat consultation</li> <li>C033 Specific assessment</li> <li>C034 Specific re-assessment</li> </ul>	eneral Preamble GP19).	96.20 163.20 64.10 47.30 30.80
Subsequent visits		
C032 - first five weeks	•	34.10
C037 - sixth to thirteenth week inclusive ( per week)	per visit	34.10
C039 - after thirteenth week (maximum 6		34.10
Subsequent visits by the Most Respo	nsible Physician (MRP)	
See General Preamble GP44 to GP45	for terms and conditions.	
C122 - day following the hospital admissi		61.15
C123 - second day following the hospital		61.15
C124 - day of discharge		61.15
Subsequent visits by the MRP followi	ng transfer from an Intensive Care	Area
See General Preamble GP46 for terms		
C142 - first subsequent visit by the MRP		04.45
Intensive Care Area C143 - second subsequent visit by the M		61.15
C143 - second subsequent visit by the M an Intensive Care Area		61.15
C121 Additional visits due to intercurrent il	lness (see General	
Preamble GP43)	•	34.10
C038 Concurrent care	per visit	34.10
C982 Palliative care (see General Preamb	le GP50)per visit	34.10

## **GENERAL SURGERY (03)**

## NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

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W035	Consultation	96.20
W036	Repeat consultation	64.10
Sub	osequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)	
C	nronic care or convalescent hospital	
W032	- first 4 subsequent visits per patient per monthper visit	34.10
W031	- additional subsequent visits (maximum of 6 per patient per	
	month)per visit	34.10
W982	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50)per visit	34.10
N	ursing <i>home</i> or <i>home</i> for the aged	
W033	- first 2 subsequent visits per patient per monthper visit	34.10
W038	- subsequent visits per month (maximum of 3 per patient per	
	month)per visit	34.10
W972	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50)per visit	34.10
W121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see	
	General Preamble GP49)per visit	34.10

# **GENERAL THORACIC SURGERY (64)**

## **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A645	Consultation	98.55
A935	Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).	163.20
A646	Repeat consultation	60.00
A643	Specific assessment	44.40
A644	Partial assessment	24.10

## EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

# NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C935 C646 C643	Consultation Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19). Repeat consultation Specific assessment Specific re-assessment	98.55 163.20 60.00 44.40 25.95
Sub	osequent visits	
C642 C647	- first five weeksper visit - sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	31.00
C649	per week) per visit - after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	31.00
	per visit	31.00
Sub	esequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
Se	ee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122	- day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123	- second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124	- day of discharge	61.15
Sub	esequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive (	Care Area
Se	ee General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142	- first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an	
	Intensive Care Area	61.15
C143		
	an Intensive Care Area	61.15
C121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General Preamble GP43)per visit	34.10
C648	Concurrent care	31.00
		01.00
C982	Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50)per visit	

34.10

## **GENERAL THORACIC SURGERY (64)**

## NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

W645 Consultation	98.55
W646 Repeat consultation	60.00

## **GENETICS (22)**

These listings may also be used by specialists with FCCMG designation (Fellow of the Canadian College of Medical Geneticists).	
GENERAL LISTINGS	
A225 Consultation*	167.90
Special genetic consultation	
Special genetic consultation is a consultation in which the physician of a consultation (A225) and spends a minimum of 75 minutes of dire with or without family.	•
A220 Special genetic consultation*	310.45
<b>Medical record requirements:</b> The service is eligible for payment only if start and stop times of the spatient's permanent medical record.	service are recorded in the
Extended special genetic consultation	
Extended special genetic consultation is a consultation in which the elements of a consultation (A225) and spends a minimum of 90 min the patient <i>with or without</i> family.	
A223 Extended special genetic consultation*	401.30
<b>Medical record requirements:</b> The service is eligible for payment only if start and stop times of the spatient's permanent medical record.	service are recorded in the
A325 Limited consultation	105.25
A226 Repeat consultation	105.25
A221 Genetic minor assessment	38.05
Genetic assessment A Genetic Assessment is a time based service that requires interview members, collection and assessment of adequate clinical and gener diagnosis, construction/revision of a pedigree, and assessment of th	tic data to make a

advice. It also includes sharing this information and any options with the appropriate family members. Time units are calculated based on the duration of direct contact between the physician and the patient or family. Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof - see General Preamble GP7, GP55 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.

K016 Genetic assessment, patient or family..... per unit 74.05

#### Payment rules:

This service is limited to 4 units per patient per day.

### **GENETICS (22)**

Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-requested genetic assessment

This service is the assessment of a patient provided by a geneticist upon the written request of a midwife or aboriginal midwife because of the complex, obscure or serious nature of the patient's problem. The midwife or aboriginal midwife-requested genetic assessment includes the common and specific elements of an assessment.

A800 Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-requested genetic assessment 167.35

Payment rules:

1. This service is limited to one per patient, per physician, per 12 month period.

**2.** The geneticist must submit his/her findings, opinions and recommendations in writing to both the midwife or aboriginal midwife and the patient's primary care physician, if applicable, or the amount payable for the service will be reduced to a lesser fee.

Medical record requirements:

The written request from the midwife or aboriginal midwife must be retained on the patient's permanent medical record, or the amount payable for the service will be reduced to a lesser fee.

Comprehensive midwife or aboriginal midwife-requested genetic assessment

This service is an assessment provided by a geneticist upon the written request of a midwife or aboriginal midwife because of the complex, obscure or serious nature of the patient's problem. This service includes the specific elements of an assessment and the physician must spend a minimum of 75 minutes of direct contact with the patient.

A801	Comprehensive midwife or aboriginal midwife-requested	
	genetic assessment	300.70

Medical record requirements:

- **1.** The service is eligible for payment only if start and stop times of the service are recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.
- **2.** The written request from the midwife or aboriginal midwife must be retained on the patient's permanent medical record, or the amount payable for the service will be reduced to a lesser fee.

Extended midwife or aboriginal midwife-requested genetic assessment

This service is the assessment provided by a geneticist upon the written request of a midwife or aboriginal midwife because of the complex, obscure or serious nature of the patient's problem. This service includes the specific elements of an assessment and the physician must spend a minimum of 90 minutes of direct contact with the patient.

A802 Extended midwife or aboriginal midwife-requested genetic

assessment ...... 401.30

Medical record requirements:

- **1.**The service is eligible for payment only if start and stop times of the service are recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.
- **2.** The written request from the midwife or aboriginal midwife must be retained on the patient's permanent medical record, or the amount payable for the service will be reduced to a lesser fee.

#### **GENETICS (22)**

#### Genetic care

Genetic care is a time based service payable for rendering a genetic assessment. Time units are calculated based on the duration of direct contact between the physician and the patient or family. Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof - see General Preamble GP7, GP55 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.

K222 Genetic care, patient or family..... per unit 79.30

#### Payment rules:

This service is limited to 4 units per patient, per day.

#### Clinical interpretation by a geneticist

Clinical interpretation by a Geneticist requires interpretation of pertinent pedigrees (which must contain a comprehensive ancestral history), and/or cytogenetic, biochemical, or molecular genetic reports. The service must be requested in writing by a physician who is participating in the patient's care and the geneticist must submit his/her findings, opinions, and recommendations in writing to the referring physician.

#### **Payment rules:**

This service is *not eligible for payment* when rendered in association with a consultation on the same patient.

#### Clinical interpretation by a geneticist requested by a midwife or aboriginal midwife

This service is the interpretation of pertinent pedigrees (which must contain a comprehensive ancestral history), and/or cytogenetic, biochemical, or molecular genetic reports. The service must be requested in writing by a midwife or aboriginal midwife who is participating in the patient's care and the geneticist must submit his/her findings, opinions, and recommendations in writing to both the midwife or aboriginal midwife and the patient's primary care physician, if applicable, or the amount payable for the service will be reduced to a lesser fee.

#### **Complex Genetic Test Interpretation**

Complex genetic test interpretation is a time-based service *only eligible for payment* for interpretation of complex genetic tests done in association with a consultation or genetic care service.

K229 Complex genetic test interpretation ...... per unit 65.85

#### Payment rules:

- **1.**Complex genetic test interpretation includes interpretation done for any genetic testing where the laboratory report does not clearly explain the patient's phenotype or requires additional review to understand the implications of the result.
- **2.**Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof see General Preamble GP7, GP54 and GP55 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.
- **3.** Time units are calculated based on the duration of time spent exclusively interpreting the complex genetic tests.

4. Maximum of 2 units per patient, per physician, per 12 month period.

#### **GENETICS (22)**

## Genetic family counselling

Genetic family counselling is counselling dedicated to an educational dialogue between the physician and one or more family members, guardians of a genetic patient or patient's representative for the purpose of providing information regarding treatment options and prognosis. The claim is submitted under the genetic patient's health number.

K044 Genetic family counselling...... per unit 62.75

#### Note:

Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof - see General Preamble GP7, GP55 for definitions and time keeping requirements.

### **GENETICS (22)**

## EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

## NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C225	Consultation*	167.90
C220	Special genetic consultation* - subject to the same conditions as A220	310.45
C223	Extended special genetic consultation* - subject to the same	
	conditions as A223	401.30
C325	Limited consultation	105.25
C226	Repeat consultation	105.25
C800	Midwife or Aboriginal Midwife-requested genetic assessment –	
	subject to the same conditions as A800	167.35
C801	Comprehensive midwife or aboriginal midwife-requested	
	genetic assessment – subject to the same conditions as	
	Ă801	300.70
C802	Extended midwife or aboriginal midwife-requested genetic	
	assessment – subject to the same conditions as A802	401.30
Sul	osequent visits	
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C222	- first five weeks per \	visit 34	1.10
C227	- sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patie	nt	
	per week)per \	visit 34	1.10
C229	- after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month	1)	
		visit 34	1.10

## NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

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W225	Consultation*	167.90
W220	Special genetic consultation* - subject to the same conditions	
	as A220	310.45
W223	Extended special genetic consultation* - subject to the same	
	conditions as A223	401.30
W325	Limited consultation	105.25
W226	Repeat consultation	105.25

#### Note:

\*A consultation is payable at nil if a genetic assessment (K016) or genetic care (K222) has previously been claimed by the same physician.

# **GENETICS (22)**

## Subsequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)

Chronic care or convalescent hospital

W222 W221	<ul> <li>first 4 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit</li> <li>additional subsequent visits (maximum of 6 per patient per</li> </ul>	34.10
	month) per visit	34.10
W982	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
Nu	ursing <i>home</i> or <i>home</i> for the aged	
W224	- first 2 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W228	- subsequent visits per month (maximum of 3 per patient per	
	month per visit	34.10
W972	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
W121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
	Preamble GP49)per visit	34.10

## **GERIATRICS (07)**

GENERAL LISTINGS	
A075 Consultation	202.55
A070 Consultation in association with special visit to a hospital in-patient, long-term care in-patient or emergency	
department patient	232.10

#### **Claims submission instructions:**

Submit claim using A070 and the appropriate special visit premium beginning with "C" prefix for a hospital in-patient, "W" prefix for a long-term care in-patient or "K" prefix for an emergency department patient.

### Comprehensive geriatric consultation

A comprehensive geriatric consultation is a consultation performed by a physician with a certificate of special competence in Geriatrics on a patient:

- a. at least 65 years of age; or
- b. when the consultation is for the assessment of dementia; and

where the physician spends at least 75 minutes with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other service to the patient.

### [Commentary:

A775 is eligible for payment when the consultation is for the assessment of dementia regardless of the patient's age.]

#### Medical record requirements:

The service is eligible for payment only if start and stop times of the service are recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.

#### **Payment rules:**

A comprehensive geriatric consultation is *only eligible for payment* if this service has not been rendered on the same patient by the same consultant within the previous 2 years.

## Extended comprehensive geriatric consultation

An extended comprehensive geriatric consultation is a consultation performed by a physician with a certificate of special competence in geriatrics on a patient:

**a.** at least 65 years of age; or

b. when the consultation is for the assessment of dementia; and

where the physician spends at least 90 minutes with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other service to the patient.

## [Commentary:

A770 is eligible for payment when the consultation is for the assessment of dementia regardless of the patient's age.]

#### Medical record requirements:

The service is eligible for payment only if start and stop times of the service are recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.

## **GERIATRICS (07)**

## Payment rules:

An extended comprehensive geriatric consultation is *only eligible for payment* if this service has not been rendered on the same patient by the same consultant within the previous 2 years.

# **GERIATRICS (07)**

A375	Limited consultation	105.25
A076	Repeat consultation	105.25
A073	Medical specific assessment	90.45
A074	Medical specific re-assessment	72.90
A071	Complex medical specific re-assessment	91.90
A078	Partial assessment	45.30
E078	$\mathbf{I}$ $\mathbf{V}$ -	
	Preamble GP25) add 50%	

## Geriatric telephone support

This is the service initiated by a caregiver where a physician provides telephone support to a caregiver(s) for a patient with an established diagnosis of dementia.

K077	Geriatric tele	phone sup	port	per unit	40.05

## Payment rules:

1. A maximum of two (2) units of K077 are eligible for payment per patient per day.

2.A maximum of eight (8) K077 units are eligible for payment per patient per 12 month period.3.K077 is only eligible for payment where:

**a**.there is a minimum of 10 minutes of patient-related discussion; and **b**.the physician:

- i. is a specialist in Geriatrics (07); or
- ii. has a certificate of special competence in Geriatrics; or
- iii. has an exemption to access bonus impact in Care of the Elderly from the MOH.
- **4.** In circumstances where a physician receives compensation, other than by fee-for-service under this *Schedule*, for the provision of telephone support for caregivers, this service is *not eligible for payment* to that physician.

## [Commentary:

- **1.**Payment, other than by fee-for-service includes compensation where the physician receives remuneration under a salary, primary care, stipend, APP or AFP model.
- **2.** Physicians who receive compensation other than by fee-for-service under this *Schedule* should consult their contract for guidance on shadow-billing. ]

## Medical record requirements:

K077 is *only eligible for payment* where the following elements are included in the medical record:

- 1.patient's name and health number;
- 2. start and stop times of the discussion;
- 3. reason for the telephone support; and
- 4. the opinion, advice and/or recommendations of the physician.

## **GERIATRICS (07)**

## EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

## NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C075 Consultation	232.10
C775 Comprehensive geriatric consultation - subject to the same	040.45
conditions as A775	310.45
C770 Extended comprehensive geriatric consultation - subject to the same conditions as A770	401.30
C375 Limited consultation	105.25
C076 Repeat consultation	105.25
C073 Medical specific assessment	90.45
C074 Medical specific re-assessment	72.90
C071 Complex medical specific re-assessment	91.90
Subsequent visits	
C072 - first five weeksper visit	34.10
C077 - sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	
per week) per visit	34.10
C079 - after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	
per visit	34.10
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Subsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	01.10
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## **GERIATRICS (07)**

## NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

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#### Note:

\*May only be claimed 6 *months* after Periodic health visit (as per the *Nursing Homes Act*)

#### Subsequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)

Chronic care or convalescent hospital

<ul> <li>- first 4 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit</li> <li>additional subsequent visits (maximum of 6 per patient per</li> </ul>	34.10
	34.10
<ul> <li>2 - palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit</li> </ul>	34.10
Nursing <i>home</i> or <i>home</i> for the aged	
3 - first 2 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
8 - subsequent visits per month (maximum of 3 per patient per	
month) per visit	34.10
2 - palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
1 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
Preamble GP49) per visit	34.10
<i>Month</i> ly Management of a Nursing <i>Home</i> or <i>Home</i> for the Aged Patient	
0 Monthly management fee (per patient per month) (see General	
Preamble GP51 to GP52)	115.25
	<ol> <li>additional subsequent visits (maximum of 6 per patient per month)</li></ol>

## HAEMATOLOGY (61)

### For Services not listed, refer to Internal Medicine Section.

### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A615	Consultation	172.00
A765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
A655	Limited consultation	105.25
A616	Repeat consultation	105.25
A613	Medical specific assessment	85.80
A614	Medical specific re-assessment	65.85
A611	Complex medical specific re-assessment	76.20
A618	Partial assessment	38.05

E078 - chronic disease assessment premium (see General Preamble GP25)..... add 50%

## **EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)**

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

## NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C615	Consultation	172.00
C765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
C655	Limited consultation	105.25
	Repeat consultation	105.25
C613	Medical specific assessment	85.80
C614	Medical specific re-assessment	65.85
C611	Complex medical specific re-assessment	76.20
Su	bsequent visits	
C612	- first five weeks per visit	34.10
C617	- sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	
	per week) per visit	34.10
C619	- after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	
	per visit	34.10
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
S	ee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122	<ul> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li> </ul>	61.15
C123	<ul> <li>second day following the hospital assessment</li> </ul>	61.15
C124	- day of discharge	61.15
Su	bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Inten	sive Care Area
S	ee General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142	- first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an	

Intensive Care Area	61.15
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HAEMATOLOGY (61)			
C143 - second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area	61.15		
C121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General Preamble GP43)per visit	34.10		
C618 Concurrent careper visit	34.10		
C982 Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10		

### **INFECTIOUS DISEASE (46)**

### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A465	Consultation	181.65
A765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50

#### Comprehensive infectious disease consultation

This service is a consultation rendered by a *specialist* in infectious disease who provides all the appropriate elements of a consultation and spends a minimum of seventy-five (75) minutes of direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

#### Medical record requirements:

The start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to a lesser paying fee.

#### [Commentary:

1.A460 must satisfy all the elements of a consultation (see page GP16).

**2.** The calculation of the 75 minute minimum time for comprehensive infectious disease consultations excludes time devoted to any other service or procedure for which an amount is payable in addition to the consultation.]

A275	Limited consultation	105.25
A466	Repeat consultation	109.40
A463	Medical specific assessment	94.40
A464	Medical specific re-assessment	72.45
A461	Complex medical specific re-assessment	83.85
A468	Partial assessment	45.00

E078 - chronic disease assessment premium (see General Preamble GP25) ..... add 50%

## **EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)**

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## NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to in-patients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C465 Consultation		181.65
C765 Consultation, patient 16 year	ars of age and under	165.50
C460 Comprehensive infectious d	isease consultation - subject to the	
same conditions as A460	)	310.45
C275 Limited consultation		105.25
C466 Repeat consultation		109.40
C463 Medical specific assessmen	nt	94.40
C464 Medical specific re-assessm	nent	72.45
C461 Complex medical specific re	e-assessment	83.85

## **INFECTIOUS DISEASE (46)**

Su	bsequent visits	
C462	- first five weeks per visit	34.10
C467	<ul> <li>sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient per week) per visit</li> </ul>	34.10
C469	- after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month) per visit	34.10
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
S	ee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122	- day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123	- second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124	- day of discharge	61.15
Su	bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensiv	ve Care Area
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## NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

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W465 Consultation	181.65
W765 Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	167.00
W460 Comprehensive infectious disease consultation - subject to the	
same conditions as A460	310.45
W275 Limited consultation	105.25
W466 Repeat consultation	109.40
Admission assessment	
W292 - Type 1	69.35
W294 - Type 2	20.60
W297 - Type 3	30.70
W299 Periodic health visit	65.05
W464 General re-assessment of patient in nursing home (as per the	
Nursing Homes Act)*	20.60

## **INFECTIOUS DISEASE (46)**

## Note:

\*May only be claimed 6 *months* after Periodic health visit (as per the *Nursing Homes Act*).

### Subsequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)

Chronic care or convalescent hospital	
W462 - first 4 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W461 - additional subsequent visits (maximum of 6 per patient per	
month)per visit	34.10
W982 - palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
Nursing <i>home</i> or <i>home</i> for the aged	
W463 - first 2 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W468 - subsequent visits per month (maximum of 3 per patient per	
month)per visit	34.10
W972 - palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
W121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
Preamble GP49) per visit	34.10

## **INTERNAL AND OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE (13)**

## **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A135	Consultation	164.90
A765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50

### Comprehensive internal medicine consultation

This service is a consultation rendered by a *specialist* in internal medicine who provides all the appropriate elements of a consultation and spends a minimum of seventy-five (75) minutes of direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

### Medical record requirements:

The start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to a lesser paying fee.

### [Commentary:

1.A130 must satisfy all the elements of a consultation (see page GP16).

**2.** The calculation of the 75 minute minimum time for comprehensive internal medicine consultations excludes time devoted to any other service or procedure for which an amount is payable in addition to the consultation.]

A435	Limited consultation	105.25
A136	Repeat consultation	105.25
A133	Medical specific assessment	81.55
A134	Medical specific re-assessment	61.25
A131	Complex medical specific re-assessment	70.90
A138	Partial assessment	38.05
A120	Colonoscopy assessment, same day as colonoscopy	18.85

## Note:

**1.**A120 is the only assessment service eligible for payment on the same day as a colonoscopy if a major pre-operative visit has been rendered by any physician in the *12 month period* prior to the date of the colonoscopy service.

- 2.A120 is not eligible for payment if a major pre-operative visit is eligible for payment on the same day as colonoscopy.
- **3.**A120 is *only eligible for payment* to physicians in the following specialties: Internal Medicine (13) and Gastroenterology (41).

## [Commentary:

For the definition of major pre-operative visit, see the definition page A4.]

K045	Diabetes management by a specialist	76.20
K046	Diabetes team management	115.00

#### [Commentary:

For K045 and K046 definition/required elements, payment rules and record keeping requirements see Endocrinology and Metabolism section.]

## **INTERNAL AND OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE (13)**

## **EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)**

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

## NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C135	Consultation	164.90	
C765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50	
C130	Comprehensive internal medicine consultation - subject to the		
	same conditions as A130	310.45	
C435	Limited consultation	105.25	
	Repeat consultation	105.25	
C133	Medical specific assessment	81.55	
	Medical specific re-assessment	61.25	
C131	Complex medical specific re-assessment	70.90	
Su	bsequent visits		
C132	- first five weeksper visit	34.10	
C137	<ul> <li>sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient</li> </ul>		
	per week) per visit	34.10	
C139	- after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)		
	per visit	34.10	
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)		
S	ee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.		
C122	- day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15	
C123	- second day following the hospital assessment	61.15	
C124	- day of discharge	61.15	
Subsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area			
S	See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.		
C142	- first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an		
	Intensive Care Area	61.15	
C143	<ul> <li>second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from</li> </ul>		
	an Intensive Care Area	61.15	
C121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General		
	Preamble GP43)per visit	34.10	
C138	Concurrent care	34.10	
	Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50)per visit	34.10	
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## **INTERNAL AND OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE (13)**

## NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

W235	Consultation	164.90
W765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	167.00
W130	Comprehensive internal medicine consultation - subject to the	
	same conditions as A130	310.45
W435	Limited consultation	105.25
W236	Repeat consultation	105.25
Admission assessment		
W232	- Type 1	69.35
W234	- Type 2	20.60
W237	- Туре 3	30.70
W239	Periodic health visit	65.05
W134	General re-assessment of patient in nursing home (as per the	
	Nursing Homes Act)*	20.60

### Note:

\*May only be claimed 6 *months* after Periodic health visit (as per the *Nursing Homes Act*).

## Subsequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)

Chronic care or convalescent hospital

W132	- first 4 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W131	- additional subsequent visits (maximum of 6 per patient per	24.40
	month)per visit	34.10
W982	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
Nu	irsing <i>home</i> or <i>home</i> for the aged	
W133	- first 2 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W138	- subsequent visits per month (maximum of 3 per patient per	
	month) per visit	34.10
W972	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
W121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
	Preamble GP49)per visit	34.10

### LABORATORY MEDICINE (28)

The following fees are applicable to specialists in Haematopathology, Neuropathology, Medical Biochemistry, Medical Microbiology, Anatomic and General Pathology.

#### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A285	Consultation	163.00
A286	Limited consultation	108.95
A586	Repeat consultation	71.20
A283	Medical specific assessment	82.50
A284	Partial assessment	38.85
E078	- chronic disease assessment premium (see General	

Preamble GP25) ..... add 50%

# Diagnostic consultation

A diagnostic laboratory medicine consultation is the service rendered when tissue, slides, specimens and/or laboratory results prepared in one licensed laboratory are referred to a laboratory medicine physician not in the same licensed laboratory for a written opinion. The *specific elements* are the same as for the L800 series of codes (see page J60 to J62).

#### Payment rules:

- **1.** A diagnostic laboratory medicine consultation is *not eligible for payment* when tissues, slides, specimens and/or laboratory results from a different licensed laboratory are used for comparison purposes with tissues, slides, specimens and/or laboratory results done in the consultant's licensed laboratory.
- **2.**With the exception of those services set out in the section, "Special Procedures and Interpretation Histology or Cytology", any other services rendered by the physician in association with a diagnostic laboratory medicine consultation are *not eligible for payment*.

### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C285 Consultation	163.00
C286 Limited consultation	108.95
C586 Repeat consultation	71.20
C283 Medical specific assessment	82.50
C585 Diagnostic consultation - subject to the same conditions as	
A585	73.30
C288 Concurrent careper visit	30.10

# **MEDICAL ONCOLOGY (44)**

#### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A445	Consultation	166.50
A765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
A845	Limited consultation	105.25
A446	Repeat consultation	105.25
A443	Medical specific assessment	79.85
A444	Medical specific re-assessment	61.25
A441	Complex medical specific re-assessment	70.90
A448	Partial assessment	38.05
<b>E070</b>		

E078 - chronic disease assessment premium (see General Preamble GP25) ..... add 50%

#### **EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)**

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

#### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to in-patients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C445	Consultation	166.50
C765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
C845	Limited consultation	105.25
C446	Repeat consultation	105.25
C443	Medical specific assessment	79.85
C444	Medical specific re-assessment	61.25
C441	Complex medical specific re-assessment	70.90
Su	bsequent visits	
C442	- first five weeks per visit	34.10
C447	- sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	
	per week) per visit	34.10
C449	<ul> <li>after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)</li> </ul>	
	per visit	34.10
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
S	ee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122	- day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123	- second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124	- day of discharge	61.15

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	CONSULTATIONS AND VISIT	S
MEDIC	AL ONCOLOGY (44)	
	osequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intens	ive Care Area
	ee General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142	- first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area	61.15
C143	<ul> <li>second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area</li> </ul>	61.15
C121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General Preamble GP43) per visit	34.10
C448	Concurrent care per visit	34.10
	Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit N-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES	34.10
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W765 W845	Consultation Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under Limited consultation Repeat consultation	166.50 167.00 105.25 105.25
Adı	mission assessment	
W842	- Type 1	69.35
W844		20.60
W847	- Type 3	30.70
	Periodic health visit General re-assessment of patient in nursing home (as per the	65.05
	Nursing Homes Act)*	20.60
	<b>ote:</b> ⁄Iay only be claimed 6 <i>month</i> s after Periodic health visit (as per th	ne Nursing Homes Act).
	osequent visits (see General Preamble GP49) hronic care or convalescent hospital	
W442 W441	- first 4 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
	month) per visit	34.10
W982	,	34.10

Nursing home or home for the aged

W443	- first 2 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W448	- subsequent visits per month (maximum of 3 per patient per	
	month) per visit	34.10
W972	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
W121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
	Preamble GP49) per visit	34.10

### **NEPHROLOGY (16)**

#### GENERAL LISTINGS

A165	Consultation	162.90
A765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50

#### Comprehensive nephrology consultation

This service is a consultation rendered by a *specialist* in nephrology who provides all the appropriate elements of a consultation and spends a minimum of seventy-five (75) minutes of direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

#### Medical record requirements:

For A160, the start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to a lesser paying fee.

#### [Commentary:

**1.**A160 must satisfy all the elements of a consultation (see page GP16).

**2.** The calculation of the 75 minute minimum time for comprehensive nephrology consultations excludes time devoted to any other service or procedure for which an amount is payable in addition to the consultation.]

A865	Limited consultation	105.25
A166	Repeat consultation	105.25
A163	Medical specific assessment	80.95
A164	Medical specific re-assessment	62.10
A161	Complex medical specific re-assessment	71.85
A168	Partial assessment	38.55

### Post Renal Transplant Assessment Premium

Post renal transplant assessment premium is payable in addition to the amount payable for an assessment.

E060 Post Renal Transplant Assessment Premium......Add 25%

### Payment rules:

All of the following criteria apply:

**1.**The assessment is a:

a.medical specific assessment (A163);

- **b**.medical specific re-assessment (A164);
- c.complex medical specific re-assessment (A161); or
- d.partial assessment (A168);
- 2. The service is rendered by a physician with a specialty designation in (16) Nephrology;
- **3.** The assessment is *not eligible for payment* when rendered in an emergency department or *emergency department equivalent* or to a hospital inpatient;
- 4. The purpose of the assessment is post-transplant care; and

5. The patient is within the first three years of having received their renal transplant.

### [Commentary:

The post renal transplant assessment premium is not payable for assessments rendered to inpatients of any hospital, patients seen in a long-term care facility or patients seen in an emergency department or *emergency department equivalent*.]

### **NEPHROLOGY (16)**

### EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

#### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to in-patients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C165 Consultation	162.90
C765 Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
C160 Comprehensive nephrology consultation - subject to the same	
conditions as A160	310.45
C865 Limited consultation	105.25
C166 Repeat consultation	105.25
C163 Medical specific assessment	80.95
C164 Medical specific re-assessment	62.10
C161 Complex medical specific re-assessment	71.85

NEPHROLOGY (16)	
Subsequent visits	
C162 - first five weeks per visit	34.10
C167 - sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	
per week) per visit	34.10
C169 - after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	04.40
per visit	34.10
Subsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122 - day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123 - second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124 - day of discharge	61.15
Subsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive	Care Area
See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142 - first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an	
Intensive Care Area	61.15
C143 - second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from	
an Intensive Care Area	61.15
C121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
Preamble GP43) per visit	34.10
C168 Concurrent care per visit	34.10
C982 Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10

### NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

W165 Consultation W765 Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	162.90 167.00
<ul> <li>W160 Comprehensive nephrology consultation - subject to the same conditions as A160</li> <li>W865 Limited consultation</li> <li>W166 Repeat consultation</li> </ul>	310.45 105.25 105.25
Admission assessment	
W862 - Type 1 W864 - Type 2 W867 - Type 3	69.35 20.60 30.70
W869 Periodic health visit	65.05
W164 General re-assessment of patient in nursing home (as per the Nursing Homes Act)*	20.60

## **NEPHROLOGY (16)**

#### Note:

\*May only be claimed 6 *months* after Periodic health visit (as per the *Nursing Homes Act*).

#### Subsequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)

С	hronic care or convalescent hospital	
W162	- first 4 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W161	- additional subsequent visits (maximum of 6 per patient per	
	month) per visit	34.10
W982	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
N	ursing <i>home</i> or <i>home</i> for the aged	
W163	- first 2 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W168	- subsequent visits per month (maximum of 3 per patient per	
	month) per visit	34.10
W972	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
W121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
	Preamble GP49) per visit	34.10

# **NEUROLOGY (18)**

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**1.** A complex neuromuscular assessment must include the elements of a medical specific reassessment, or the amount payable will be adjusted to lesser assessment fee.

**2.** This service is *not eligible for payment* to a physician for the initial evaluation of the patient by that physician.

### **NEUROLOGY (18)**

3. Complex neuromuscular assessments are limited to 6 per patient, per physician, per 12 month period. Services in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.
 4. E078 is not eligible for payment with A113.

#### [Commentary:

**1.**A complex neuromuscular assessment is for the ongoing management of complex neuromuscular disorders, where the complexity of the condition requires the continuing management by a neurologist. It is not intended for the evaluation and/or management of uncomplicated neuromuscular disorders (e.g. carpal tunnel syndrome, Bell's palsy, asymptomatic diabetic neuropathy).

**2.**A consultation or assessment service, as appropriate, may be claimed for the initial evaluation of a patient. A complex neuromuscular assessment is for the ongoing management of a patient with a complex neuromuscular disorder.]

#### Consultation and Management for Acute Cerebral Vascular Syndrome (ACVS)

A Consultation and Management for ACVS is a service in which the physician provides all the elements of a consultation (A185) to a patient referred for suspected ACVS and, if necessary, treatment with intravenous thrombolysis therapy and post-administration monitoring.

A384		200.00
K181	- after first 30 minutes, must include intravenous thrombolysis	
	therapy and monitoring, per 30 minute unit (or major part	
	thereof)	90.00
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#### Medical record requirements:

Consultation and Management for ACVS is *only eligible for payment* if start and stop times of the services and the time of onset of symptoms are recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.

#### **Payment rules:**

- **1.**A384 and K181 are *only eligible for payment* for patients seen within the timeframe for eligibility for intravenous thrombolysis therapy as defined by the Canadian Stroke Best Practices.
- 2.A384 and K181 must be rendered in a hospital with CT or MRI facilities onsite.
- 3.A384 and K181 are only eligible for payment to a specialist in Neurology (18).
- **4.**A384 and K181 are *only eligible for payment* if the physician remains in constant attendance with the patient.
- 5.G521, G522, G523, or G391 are not eligible for payment with A384 or K181.
- **6.**K181 is *only eligible for payment* for patients treated with intravenous thrombolysis therapy as defined by the Canadian Stroke Best Practices.
- 7.K181 is limited to a maximum of 6 units per patient per day.

#### [Commentary:

The Canadian Stroke Best Practices can be found at the following internet link: https:// www.strokebestpractices.ca/recommendations/acute-stroke-management/acute-ischemicstroke-treatment#p53-Intravenous-Thrombolysis-with-Alteplase]

### **NEUROLOGY (18)**

## EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

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### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

	Consultation	184.40
C180	Special neurology consultation - subject to the same conditions	240.45
0000	as A180	310.45
C682	Extended special neurology consultation - subject to the same conditions as A682	401.30
C384	Consultation and Management for ACVS - subject to the same	
	conditions as A384	200.00
C385	Limited consultation	87.70
C186	Repeat consultation	87.70
C183	Medical specific assessment	82.40
C184	Medical specific re-assessment	64.95
C181	Complex medical specific re-assessment	75.20
C113	Complex neuromuscular assessment - subject to the same	
	conditions as A113	93.95
Su	bsequent visits	
C182	- first five weeksper visit	34.10
C187	- sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	
••••	per week) per visit	34.10
C189	- after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	
	per visit	34.10
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
S	ee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122	- day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123	- second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124	- day of discharge	61.15
Su	bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care	Δrea
	bee General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	Alcu
C142		
0112	Intensive Care Area	61.15
C143	- second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from	• • • • •
••••	an Intensive Care Area	61.15
C121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
0121	Preamble GP43) per visit	34.10
C188	Concurrent care	34.10
	Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10

### **NEUROLOGY (18)**

### NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

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W185	Consultation	184.40
W180	Special neurology consultation - subject to the same conditions as A180	310.45
W682	Extended special neurology consultation - subject to the same conditions as A682	401.30
W385	Limited consultation	87.70
W186	Repeat consultation	87.70
W113	Complex neuromuscular assessment - subject to the same conditions as A113	93.95
W184	General re-assessment of patient in nursing home (as per the Nursing Homes Act)*	20.60

#### Note:

\*May only be claimed 6 months after Periodic health visit (as per the Nursing Homes Act).

#### Subsequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)

Chronic care or convalescent hospital

W182 W181	<ul> <li>first 4 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit</li> <li>additional subsequent visits (maximum of 6 per patient per</li> </ul>	34.10
	month) per visit	34.10
W982	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
Nu	rsing <i>home</i> or <i>home</i> for the aged	
W183	- first 2 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W188	- subsequent visits per month (maximum of 3 per patient per	
	month) per visit	34.10
W972	- palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
W121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
	Preamble GP49)per visit	34.10

### **NEUROSURGERY (04)**

#### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A045	Consultation	130.75
A935	Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).	163.20
A046	Repeat consultation	58.25
A043	Specific assessment	58.25
A044	Partial assessment	30.00

### EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

<ul> <li>C045 Consultation</li> <li>C935 Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).</li> <li>C046 Repeat consultation</li> <li>C043 Specific assessment</li> <li>C044 Specific re-assessment</li> </ul>	130.75 163.20 58.25 58.25 30.00
Subsequent visits	
C042 - first five weeksper visit	31.00
C047 - sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	
per week) per visit	31.00
C049 - after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	31.00
per visit	31.00
Subsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122 - day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123 - second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124 - day of discharge	61.15
Subsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive C	are Area
See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142 - first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an	
Intensive Care Area	61.15
C143 - second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from	
an Intensive Care Area	61.15
C121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
Preamble GP43)per visit	34.10
C048 Concurrent careper visit	31.00
C982 Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10

#### **NEUROSURGERY (04)**

#### NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

W045 Consultation	107.00
W046 Repeat consultation	51.45

#### **NUCLEAR MEDICINE (63)**

#### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

#### Comprehensive nuclear medicine consultation

A comprehensive nuclear medicine consultation is a consultation rendered by a *specialist* in nuclear medicine who provides all the appropriate elements of a consultation and spends a minimum of seventy-five (75) minutes of direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

A835 Comprehensive nuclear medicine consultation ...... 310.45

#### Medical record requirements:

The start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record

#### [Commentary:

1.A835 must satisfy all the elements of a consultation (see page GP16).

**2.** The calculation of the 75 minute minimum time for comprehensive nuclear medicine consultation excludes time devoted to any other service or procedure for which an amount is payable in addition to the consultation.]

#### **Diagnostic consultation**

A diagnostic nuclear medicine consultation is the service rendered:

- a. when nuclear medicine studies rendered at one institution or facility are referred to a nuclear medicine *specialist* in a different institution or facility for a written opinion. In this case, the *specific elements* are the same as the nuclear medicine *professional component* (see page B1); or
- **b.** when a nuclear medicine *specialist* is required to make a special visit at evening or night (17:00h to 07:00h) or on a Saturday, Sunday, or *holiday* to consult on the advisability of performing a nuclear medicine procedure, which eventually is not done. In this case, the *specific elements* are the same as for consultations (see page GP16).

#### Payment rules:

A diagnostic nuclear medicine consultation is *not eligible for payment* when studies rendered in a different institution or facility are used for comparison purposes with nuclear medicine studies rendered in the consultant's institution or facility.

A636	Repeat consultation	70.00
A633	Specific assessment	60.00
A638	Partial assessment	40.00

#### Minor assessment

A minor assessment is the service rendered when a nuclear medicine *specialist* evaluates a patient on a non-emergent basis resulting in the cancellation or deferral of a planned diagnostic nuclear medicine procedure due to procedural difficulties, including lack of patient cooperation, if no other diagnostic nuclear medicine procedure is rendered.

# **NUCLEAR MEDICINE (63)**

#### Minor assessment

A minor assessment is the service rendered when a nuclear medicine *specialist* evaluates a patient on a non-emergent basis on the advisability of performing a diagnostic nuclear medicine procedure which eventually is not done.

### EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

#### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C635 Consultation	157.00
C835 Comprehensive nuclear medicine consultation - subject to the	
same conditions of A835	310.45
C735 Diagnostic consultation - subject to the same conditions as	
A735	67.40
C636 Repeat consultation	70.00

# **OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY (20)**

#### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A205	Consultation*	111.70
A935	Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).	163.20
A206	Repeat consultation*	59.45
A203	Specific assessment*	52.15
A204	Partial assessment	33.70

#### Note:

The Papanicolaou smear is included in the consultation, repeat consultation, general or specific assessment (or re-assessment), or routine post-natal visit when pelvic examination is normal part of the foregoing services. However, the add-on codes E430 or E431 can be billed in addition to these services when a papanicolaou smear is performed outside hospital.

### EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C205 Consultation <sup>*</sup> C935 Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19). C206 Repeat consultation <sup>*</sup>	111.70 163.20 59.45
C203 Specific assessment* C204 Specific re-assessment*	52.15 36.85
Subsequent visits	
C202 - first five weeksper visit C207 - sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	31.00
c209 - after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	31.00
	31.00
Subsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122 - day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123 - second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124 - day of discharge	61.15
Subsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Car	e Area
See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142 - first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area	61.15
C143 - second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area	61.15
C121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General Preamble GP43)per visit	34.10

OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY (20)		
C208 Concurrent care	per visit	31.00
C982 Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50)	per visit	34.10

# NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

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W305 Consultation*	111.70
W306 Repeat consultation*	59.45

#### Note:

\*Includes (where indicated) b*iop*sy of cervix, papanicolaou smear, examination of trichomonas suspension.

## **OPHTHALMOLOGY (23)**

#### Note:

Ophthalmology consultations and visits *may include* retinal photography as a specific element of the insured service, where medically necessary.

#### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A235	Consultation	82.40
A935	Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).	163.20
A236	Repeat consultation	45.85
A231	Neuro-ophthalmology consultation	148.50

#### Payment rules:

**1.** A231 is *only eligible for payment* when at least four of the following are documented as a part of the examination:

- **a.** Detailed pupillary examination (includes pharmacological testing as applicable)
- **b**.Detailed extraocular motility examination
- c.Ocular alignment testing
- d.Partial or complete neurological examination
- e.Detailed examination of the fundus
- f. Analysis of formal visual field test(s)
- **g**.Analysis of pertinent diagnostic imaging studies
- **2.**A231 is *only eligible for payment* to an ophthalmologist with fellowship training in Neuroophthalmology.
- **3.**A231 is *only eligible for payment* for the consultation of a patient with a neuroophthalmological disorder.

### [Commentary:

In circumstances where a neuro-ophthalmologist renders a consultation service to a patient who is not referred for a neuro-ophthalmology consultation or, where the patient does not have a neuro-ophthalmological disorder, see general listings.]

A930 Uveitis and ocular inflammatory diseases consultation ......... 150.00

### Payment rules:

- **1.**A930 is *only eligible for payment* to an ophthalmologist with fellowship training in uveitis and ocular inflammatory diseases
- **2.**A930 is *only eligible for payment* for the consultation of a patient with a uveitis, ocular inflammatory or orbital inflammatory disorder
- **3.**A930 is *only eligible for payment* when the following are documented as part of the examination:
  - a. Dilated examination of the fundus; and
  - **b**.Analysis of laboratory testing, radiological and ocular imaging studies performed for investigation of the patient's ocular inflammatory disease.

#### [Commentary:

In circumstances where an ophthalmologist with fellowship training in uveitis and ocular inflammatory diseases renders a consultation service to a patient who is not referred for a consultation for a uveitis, ocular or orbital inflammatory disorder or, where the patient does not have a uveitis, ocular or orbital inflammatory disorder, see general listings.]

OPHTHALMOLOGY (23)		
A233	Specific assessment	57.70
A234	Partial assessment	30.50

Manual cycloplegic refraction is the service rendered personally by an ophthalmologist for evaluation of patients up to and including 15 years of age for the evaluation of strabismus and/ or amblyopia requiring glasses or contact lenses.

E423 - manual cycloplegic refraction, to A233 or A234 ...... add 25.00

#### **Payment rules:**

E423 is limited to a maximum of two services per 12 month period per patient per physician.

#### Assessment of paediatric patient with amblyopia

U231 Minor e-assessment .....

Assessment of paediatric patient with amblyopia (reduced vision in one eye) is the service rendered personally by an ophthalmologist for evaluation of patients 10 years old or less undergoing active treatment through occlusion therapy, penalization, dichoptic therapy, refractive therapy or similar, to maximize vision in the amblyopic eye(s).

15.00

E424	- assessment of paediatric patient with amblyopia, to A233 or A234 add	50.00
	aims submission instructions: Ibmit claims with diagnostic code 368.	
U235	nitial e-assessment	45.85
U233	Repeat e-assessment	43.30
U236	Follow-up e-assessment	28.95

### **OPHTHALMOLOGY (23)**

Per	iodic oculo-visual assessment	
A237	- aged 19 years and below	56.60
A239	- aged 65 years and above	56.60
	ote: ee General Preamble GP28 for definitions and conditions.	
Мај	or eye examination	
A115	Major eye examination (see page A8)	51.10

#### **Orthoptic assessment**

Orthoptic assessment must include quantitative measurement of all cardinal positions of gaze (straight ahead, left, right, up, down, tilt right and tilt left), sensory testing for binocular vision suppression, cyclodeviation and retinal correspondence. An orthoptic assessment is eligible for payment in addition to an ophthalmology consultation or visit.

#### Note:

A230 is *only eligible for payment* when all tests described under orthoptic assessment are rendered personally and interpreted personally by the physician and results and measurements are documented in the patient's permanent medical record.

#### [Commentary:

If a certified orthoptist is rendering the examination, G814 may be eligible for payment (page J94).]

#### Retinopathy of prematurity (ROP) assessment

Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP) assessment is the service rendered by an ophthalmologist for initial assessment or follow-up assessment(s) of a patient with ROP who is either:

a. 9 months of age or younger; or

**b.** aged 10 *months* to 16 years with minimum stage 3 ROP disease.

#### Payment rules:

No other assessment or consultation is eligible for payment when rendered by the same physician to the same patient the same day as A250.

#### **OPHTHALMOLOGY (23)**

#### Vision Rehabilitation – Initial assessment and follow-up assessment

#### Definitions

The following phrases have the following meanings for the purpose of fee *schedule* codes A252 and A254.

**Low visual acuity** - best corrected visual acuity of 20/50 (6/15) or less in the better eye and not amenable to further medical and/or surgical treatment.

**Significant oculomotor dysfunction** - nerve palsy or nystagmus resulting in low visual acuity or visual field defects as defined and not amenable to further medical and/or surgical treatment.

**Visual field defect** - splitting of fixation, scotomata, quadranopic or hemianopic field defects not amenable to further medical and/or surgical treatment.

#### Initial vision rehabilitation assessment

Initial vision rehabilitation assessment by an ophthalmologist of a patient with either low visual acuity, visual field defect, or significant oculomotor dysfunction subject to the conditions below.

This service is only payable when a minimum of four (4) of the following eight (8) listed components are rendered during the same visit:

- 1. Cognitive assessment to determine capacity to cooperate with assessment and treatment.
- **2.**Assessment of residual visual function to include at least two of the following tests: visual acuity tested with ETDRS charts, macular perimetry, contrast sensitivity tested at 5 spatial frequencies and fixation instability.
- 3. Assessment of eccentric preferred retinal loci.
- 4. Assessment of near functional visual acuity with ETDRS charts.

5. Assessment of reading skills.

### [Commentary:

For example, using MNRead or Colenbrander charts.]

- **6**. Prescribing of low vision devices aimed to improve residual visual function.
- 7. Preparation of a vision rehabilitation plan and/or discussion of the plan with the patient.
- **8.**Supervised training of the patient, in accordance with recognized programs, for use of low vision devices and/or training for rehabilitation of skills dependent on vision.

### Follow-up vision rehabilitation assessment

This service is only payable when a minimum of three (3) of the eight (8) components listed above are rendered in the same visit.

#### Payment rules:

For A252 and A254:

- **1.**No other assessment or consultation is eligible for payment when rendered by the same physician to the same patient the same day as A252 or A254.
- **2.**A252 is limited to two (2) per patient per five (5) year period per physician.
- **3.**A254 is only payable when the patient has received an A252.

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- **4.**A254 is limited to ten (10) per patient per five (5) year period from the date of the most recent A252.
- **5.** If the minimum required number of components for A252 or A254 are not rendered, the amount payable for the service will be reduced to a lesser fee.

#### [Commentary:

Diagnostic services (e.g. visual field testing), when rendered, are eligible for payment with these services.]

### **OPHTHALMOLOGY (23)**

#### **Optometrist-requested assessment (ORA)**

Optometrist-requested assessment (ORA) is an assessment of a patient provided by an ophthalmologist upon the written request of an optometrist because of the complex, obscure or serious nature of the patient's problem. Urgent or emergency requests may be initiated verbally but must also be documented in writing. The ORA includes the common and *specific elements* of a specific assessment.

#### Payment rules:

1. This service is limited to one per patient, per physician, per 12 month period.

**2.** The ophthalmologist must submit his/her findings, opinions and recommendations in writing to both the optometrist and the patient's primary care physician, if applicable, or the amount payable for the service will be reduced to a lesser fee.

#### Medical record requirements:

The written request from the optometrist must be retained on the patient's permanent medical record, or the amount payable for the service will be reduced to a lesser fee.

#### Special optometrist-requested assessment

A Special Optometrist-Requested Assessment is an assessment in which the ophthalmologist provides all the elements of an Optometrist-Requested Assessment (A253) and spends a minimum of 50 minutes of direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

#### Payment rules:

This service is limited to one per patient, per physician, per 12 month period.

#### Medical record requirements:

The service is eligible for payment only if start and stop times of the service are recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.

#### Special ophthalmologic assessment

Special ophthalmologic assessment is a complete ophthalmologic assessment, rendered by an ophthalmologist, to a person with a psychological problem, developmental delay, learning disability, or significant physical disability which so limits the person's participation in the assessment that the physician is required to spend a minimum of 20 minutes in direct contact with the patient, family, and/or legal representative.

In addition to the assessment, this service requires all of the following:

- a. the development of a continuing comprehensive vision care plan;
- **b.** provision of appropriate information to the patient's health care team regarding the patient's vision to allow them to better prepare both general and academic plans; and
- **c.** reporting the findings, opinions or recommendations in writing to other health care team members regarding this evaluation and future planning.

### **OPHTHALMOLOGY (23)**

#### Payment rules:

- **1.**No other assessment or consultation is eligible for payment when rendered by the same physician to the same patient the same day as A251.
- **2.** This service is limited to a maximum of 2 services per patient per physician per *12 month period*.

### Medical record requirements:

- **1.** The start/stop time of the service must be documented in the patient's medical record or the amount payable for the service will be reduced to a lesser fee.
- **2.**A statement of the medical condition and how it limits the patient's ability to participate in the assessment with the physician must be documented in the patient's medical record or the amount payable for the service will be reduced to a lesser fee.
- **3.** A copy of the letter to other health care team members must be maintained in the patient's medical record or the service will be reduced to a lesser fee.

### [Commentary:

Examples of medical conditions that may qualify for this service include certain chromosomal abnormalities, autism, cerebral palsy etc. or evaluation of *child*ren/*infant*s with low vision associated with or resulting in developmental delay.]

### **OPHTHALMOLOGY (23)**

## EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to npatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C235 Consultation	
C935 Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble G	P19). 163.20
C236 Repeat consultation	
C231 Neuro-Ophthalmology Consultation - subject to the sar	ne
conditions as A231	
C930 Uveitis and ocular inflammatory diseases consultation,	
to the same conditions as A930	
C233 Specific assessment	
C234 Specific re-assessment	
C250 Retinopathy of prematurity assessment - subject to the	same
conditions as A250	
Subsequent visits	
•	ar visit 31.00
C237 - sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per paper week)	
C239 - after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per mo	
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·	
Subsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician	. ,
See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and con-	
C122 - day following the hospital admission assessment	
C123 - second day following the hospital assessment	
C124 - day of discharge	61.15
Subsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from a	an Intensive Care Area
See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142 - first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer f	rom an
Intensive Care Area	
C143 - second subsequent visit by the MRP following transf	
an Intensive Care Area	
C121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see Genera	I
Preamble GP43)	
C238 Concurrent carep	
C982 Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50)p	er visit 34.10

#### **OPHTHALMOLOGY (23)**

#### NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

W535 Consultation	82.20
W536 Repeat consultation	45.85
W231 Neuro-Ophthalmology Consultation – subject to the same	
conditions as A231	148.50
W930 Uveitis and ocular inflammatory diseases consultation subject	
to the same conditions as A930	150.00

### **ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY (06)**

### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A065	Consultation	83.85
A935	Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).	163.20
A066	Repeat consultation	51.70
A063	Specific assessment	42.55
A064	Partial assessment	24.25

### EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

# NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C935 Special surgical cons C066 Repeat consultation C063 Specific assessment	sultation (see General Preamble GP19). ent.	83.85 163.20 51.70 42.55 25.50
Subsequent visits		
		31.00
per week)		31.00
	per visit	31.00
	he Most Responsible Physician (MRP) GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
	nospital admission assessment	61.15
	ing the hospital assessment	61.15
5		61.15
Subsequent visits by t	he MRP following transfer from an Inte	nsive Care Area
See General Preamble	e GP46 for terms and conditions.	
•	isit by the MRP following transfer from an	
	ea nt visit by the MRP following transfer from	61.15
	Area	61.15
	to intercurrent illness (see General	
Preamble GP43)	per visit	34.10
C068 Concurrent care	per visit	31.00
C982 Palliative care (see C	General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10

### **ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY (06)**

## NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

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W065 Consultation	83.85
W066 Repeat consultation	51.70
Subsequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)	
Chronic care or convalescent hospital	
W062 - first 4 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W061 - additional subsequent visits (maximum of 6 per patient per	
month) per visit	34.10
W982 - palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
Nursing <i>home</i> or <i>home</i> for the aged	
W063 - first 2 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W068 - subsequent visits per month (maximum of 3 per patient per	
month) per visit	34.10
W972 - palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
W121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
Preamble GP49) per visit	34.10

### **OTOLARYNGOLOGY (24)**

### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A245	Consultation	83.95
A935	Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).	163.20
A246	Repeat consultation	48.60
A243	Specific assessment	43.20
A244	Partial assessment	27.00

### EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

# NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C245 Consultation C935 Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19). C246 Repeat consultation C243 Specific assessment C244 Specific re-assessment	83.95 163.20 48.60 43.20 27.50	
Subsequent visits		
C242 - first five weeksper visit	31.00	
C247 - sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient per week)per visit	31.00	
C249 - after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	31.00	
Subsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)		
See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.		
C122 - day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15	
C123 - second day following the hospital assessment	61.15	
C124 - day of discharge	61.15	
Subsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area		
See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.		
C142 - first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an		
Intensive Care Area	61.15	
C143 - second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area	61.15	
C121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General		
Preamble GP43)per visit	34.10	
C248 Concurrent care per visit	31.00	
C982 Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50)per visit	34.10	

#### **OTOLARYNGOLOGY (24)**

### NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

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W345 Consultation	83.95
W346 Repeat consultation	48.85

#### **PAEDIATRICS (26)**

#### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

Services rendered by a physician with a specialty designation in Paediatrics (26) (i.e. "paediatrician") are eligible for payment for an *adult* patient where:

- 1. the paediatrician has rendered at least one consultation, assessment or visit from the general listings for Paediatrics in the Consultation and Visits section of this *Schedule* for the same patient in the *12 month period* prior to the patient's eighteenth birthday; and ongoing management of the patient with a chronic condition by the paediatrician is necessary; and the patient is less than 22 years of age; or
- **2.** the paediatrician has obtained written prior approval from the *MOH* by demonstrating that the continuation of treatment is generally accepted and necessary for the patient under the circumstances.

#### Special paediatric consultation

Special paediatric consultation is a consultation in which the physician provides all the elements of a consultation (A265) and spends a minimum of 75 minutes of direct contact with the patient.

#### Medical record requirements:

The service is eligible for payment only if start and stop times of the service are recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.

#### Extended special paediatric consultation

Extended special paediatric consultation is a consultation in which the physician provides all the elements of a consultation (A265) and spends a minimum of 90 minutes of direct contact with the patient.

#### Medical record requirements:

The service is eligible for payment only if start and stop times of the service are recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.

#### Neurodevelopmental consultation

Neurodevelopmental consultation is a consultation in which the physician provides all the elements of a consultation (A265) for an *infant*, *child* or *adolescent* with complex neurodevelopmental conditions (e.g. autism, global development disorders etc.) and spends a minimum of 90 minutes of direct contact with the patient and caregiver.

#### Payment rules:

This service is limited to a maximum of one per patient, per physician, per 12 month period.

#### Medical record requirements:

The start and stop time must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or the payment for this service will be reduced to a lesser fee.

#### [Commentary:

Neurodevelopmental consultations for less complex conditions, e.g. attention deficit disorder, are payable at a lesser fee.]

#### **PAEDIATRICS (26)**

#### Prenatal consultation

A prenatal consultation is the service rendered by a paediatrician upon request of a physician who considers a fetus of greater than 20 weeks gestation to be at risk or in jeopardy by reason of continuation of pregnancy in the presence of maternal and/or fetal distress.

#### [Commentary:

A prenatal consultation by a paediatrician does not preclude the paediatrician from claiming a post-natal consultation on the infant.]

A665Prenatal consultationA565Limited consultationA266Repeat consultation	100.55 91.35 91.35
<ul> <li>A263 Medical specific assessment</li> <li>A264 Medical specific re-assessment</li> <li>A661 Complex medical specific re-assessment</li> <li>A268 Enhanced 18 month well baby visit (see General Preamble</li> </ul>	82.90 61.25 74.75
GP34) A261 Level 1 - Paediatric assessment A262 Level 2 - Paediatric assessment	64.30 21.50 43.45
E078 - chronic disease assessment premium (see General Preamble GP25)add 50%	10.10
K045 Diabetes management by a specialist	76.20

#### [Commentary:

For K045 definition/required elements, payment rules, and record keeping requirements, see Endocrinology and Metabolism section.]

#### Periodic health visit

K267	- 2 - 11 years of age	41.60
K269	- 12 - 17 years of age	77.20

#### Note:

1. For definitions and payment rules - see General Preamble GP21.

2. Diagnostic interview and/or counselling with *child* and/or parent - see listings in Family Practice & Practice in General.

#### Paediatric Developmental Assessment Incentive (PDAI)

PDAI is the service rendered by a paediatrician most responsible for providing ongoing management of a paediatric patient at developmental risk. The service is for ongoing management using a developmental surveillance approach and documenting the indicators of the *child*'s development three times in a 12 month period.

K119 Paediatric developmental assessment incentive ..... 115.10

#### Payment rules:

**1.**K119 is limited to a maximum of one service per patient per *12 month period*.

**2.**K119 is limited to a maximum of six services per patient per lifetime.

**3.**K119 is only eligible for payment for a service rendered to a person under six years of age.

4.K119 is only eligible for payment if the physician has rendered a minimum of three consultations or assessments or visits to the patient in the immediately preceding 12 month period.

#### **PAEDIATRICS (26)**

5.K119 is only eligible for payment to a specialist in Paediatrics (26).

#### Medical record requirements:

K119 is *only eligible for payment* if a standardized developmental screening tool has been completed three times for the previous *12 month period* and is maintained in the patient's permanent medical record.

#### **Claims submission instructions:**

Claims for K119 should only be submitted when the required elements of the service have been completed for the previous *12 month period*.

#### **PAEDIATRICS (26)**

#### Developmental and/or behavioural care

Developmental and/or behavioural care are services encompassing any combination or form of assessment and treatment by a paediatrician for mental illness, behavioural maladaptations, developmental disorders, and/or other problems that are assumed to be of a developmental or emotional nature where there is consideration of the patient's biological and psychosocial functioning. Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof - see General Preamble GP7, GP54 to GP61 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.

K122	- individual developmental and/or behavioural care . per unit	89.70
K123	- family developmental and/or behavioural care per unit	101.75

#### Payment rules:

These services are only payable to paediatricians who satisfy one of the following criteria:

- **a.**35% or more of the dollar value of the annual fee-for-service claims in any *12 month period* consist of K122 and/or K123;
- **b.**35% or more of the dollar value of the annual fee-for-service claims in any *12 month period* consist of any combination of K005, K007, K019, K020, K012, K024, K025, K010, K004, K006, or K008; or
- c.additional residency or fellowship training in paediatrics or psychiatry. Residency or fellowship training includes either completion of training in paediatric or *adolescent* developmental and/or behavioural medicine within a recognized paediatric residency training programme of at least one-year duration following completion of the first three years of residency, or a post residency fellowship or other equivalent programme in paediatrics, *adolescent* medicine or psychiatry. Documentation of additional residency or fellowship training must be provided if requested by the ministry.

#### [Commentary:

Paediatricians who do not meet the criteria listed above but believe they have appropriate training and/or experience to permit them to provide paediatric or *adolescent* developmental and/or behavioural care may contact the ministry to determine whether their training and/or experience constitute an equivalent residency, training or programme.

Services rendered by physicians who do not meet these requirements are still insured but eligible for payment under another fee *schedule* code e.g. primary mental health care (K005), counselling (K013/K033) or group counselling (K040/K041).]

### **PAEDIATRICS (26)**

# EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patient(s) in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

#### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C265	Consultation	181.45
C260	Special paediatric consultation - subject to the same conditions as A260	310.45
C662	Extended special paediatric consultation - subject to the same conditions as A662	401.30
C667	Neurodevelopmental consultation - subject to same conditions	1011.00
	as A667	401.30
C665	Prenatal consultation - subject to the same conditions as A665	100.55
C565	Limited consultation	91.35
C266	Repeat consultation	91.35
	Medical specific assessment	82.90
	Medical specific re-assessment	61.25
C661	Complex medical specific re-assessment	74.75
Su	bsequent visits	
C262	- per visit	34.10
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
S	See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122	- day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123	- second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124	- day of discharge	61.15
Su	bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive	Care Area
S	See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142	- first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an	
	Intensive Care Area	61.15
C143		
	an Intensive Care Area	61.15
C121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
	Preamble GP43)per visit	34.10
C268	Concurrent care per visit	34.10
C982	Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50)per visit	34.10

# **PAEDIATRICS (26)**

Attendance at maternal delivery		
Attendance at maternal delivery requires constant attendance at the delivery of a baby expected to be at risk by a paediatrician, and includes an assessment of the <i>newborn</i> .		
H267 Attendance at ma	ternal delivery	63.45
<b>Payment rules:</b> This service is <i>not eligible for payment</i> if any other service is rendered by the same physician at the time of the delivery unless the <i>newborn</i> is sick in which case a medical specific assessment (C263) is payable in addition to attendance at maternal delivery if rendered.		
H261 Newborn care in h	nospital or home	60.80
Low birth weight new	/born uncomplicated care	
H262 - initial	per newborn	63.50
H263 - thereafter	per visit	18.50
NON-EMERGENCY L	ONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES	
Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing <i>Homes</i> , <i>Homes</i> for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing <i>homes</i> or <i>homes</i> for the aged, other than patients in designated <i>palliative care</i> beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to in- patients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.		
W265 Consultation		181.45
	consultation - subject to the same 260	310.45
	paediatric consultation - subject to the same	
conditions as A	662	401.30
	ntal consultation - subject to same	
	.667	401.30
	on	91.35
W266 Repeat consultation	on	82.90
Admission assessme	ent	
W562 - Type 1		69.35
		20.60
W567 - Type 3		30.70
W269 Periodic health vis	sit	30.70
Subsequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)		
Chronic care or conv	alescent hospital	
-	ent visits per patient per monthper visit equent visits per month (maximum 6 per	34.10
	nth)per visit	34.10
· · ·	(see General Preamble GP50)per visit	34.10
Note:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	uiring modical direction, standard in bospital m	adiaal face are to be

In surgical cases requiring medical direction, standard in-hospital medical fees are to be claimed in addition to the surgical fee. This includes all operations on babies under one year of age, and all other older *child*ren who require medical supervision.

# **PHYSICAL MEDICINE & REHABILITATION (31)**

GENERAL LISTINGS	
A315 Consultation	197.30
Comprehensive physical medicine and rehabilitation consultation	
A comprehensive physical medicine and rehabilitation consultation is a consultation is a consultation provides all the elements of a consultation and spends a minimative direct contact with the patient.	
A425 Comprehensive physical medicine and rehabilitation consultation	310.45
<b>Payment rules:</b> A comprehensive physical medicine and rehabilitation consultation is limi years by the same physician.	ted to one every 2
<b>Medical record requirements:</b> The start and stop time must be recorded in the patient's permanent mec payment for the service will be reduced to a lesser fee.	lical record or the
A515 Limited consultation	95.25
A316 Repeat consultation	95.25
A313 Medical specific assessment	77.20
A310 Medical specific re-assessment	67.80
A311 Complex medical specific re-assessment	73.95
A318 Partial assessment	39.70

E078 - chronic disease assessment premium (see General Preamble GP25)......add 50%

# PHYSICAL MEDICINE & REHABILITATION (31)

#### Complex neuromuscular assessment

A complex neuromuscular assessment is an assessment for the ongoing management of the following diseases of the neuromuscular system where the complexity of the condition requires the continuing management by a physical medicine and rehabilitation *specialist*:

a.generalized peripheral neuropathies;

**b.**myopathies;

c.diseases of the neuromuscular junction; or

d.diseases of the motor neurone

### Payment rules:

- **1.** A complex neuromuscular assessment must include the elements of a medical specific reassessment, or the amount payable will be adjusted to lesser assessment fee.
- **2.** This service is *not eligible for payment* to a physician for the initial evaluation of the patient by that physician.
- **3.**Complex neuromuscular assessments are limited to 6 per patient, per physician, per *12 month period*.

Services in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

**4.**E078 is not eligible for payment with A510.

### [Commentary:

- 1. A complex neuromuscular assessment is for the ongoing management of complex neuromuscular disorders, where the complexity of the condition requires the continuing management by a physical medicine and rehabilitation *specialist*. It is not intended for the evaluation and/or management of uncomplicated neuromuscular disorders (e.g. carpal tunnel syndrome, Bell's palsy, asymptomatic diabetic neuropathy).
- **2.**A consultation or assessment service, as appropriate, may be claimed for the initial evaluation of a patient. A complex neuromuscular assessment is for the ongoing management of a patient with a complex neuromuscular disorder.]

### Complex physiatry assessment

This service is an assessment in relation to the following diseases where the complexity of the condition requires the ongoing management by a physical medicine and rehabilitation *specialist*:

- **a.** traumatic brain injury;
- **b.** stroke (hemorrhagic and ischemic); or
- c. spinal cord injury.

# Payment rules:

- **1.**A complex physiatry assessment must include the elements of a medical specific reassessment, or the amount payable will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.
- **2.**Complex physiatry assessments are limited to 6 per patient, per physician, per *12 month period*.

Services in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.

3.E078 is not eligible for payment with A511.

# PHYSICAL MEDICINE & REHABILITATION (31)

### [Commentary:

A complex physiatry assessment is not intended for the evaluation and/or management of uncomplicated physiatric disorders (e.g. transient ischemic attacks, uncomplicated concussion, uncomplicated spinal cord injury e.g. American Spinal Injury Association level E-normal motor and sensory function.]

# **PHYSICAL MEDICINE & REHABILITATION (31)**

# EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patient(s) in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

# NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C315	Consultation	208.75
C425	Comprehensive physical medicine and rehabilitation	
	consultation – subject to the same conditions as A425	310.45
	Limited consultation	95.25
	Repeat consultation	95.25
	Medical specific assessment	77.20
	Medical specific re-assessment	67.80
	Complex medical specific re-assessment	73.95
C510	Complex neuromuscular assessment - subject to the same conditions as A510	93.70
C511	Complex physiatry assessment - subject to the same	
	conditions as A511	102.55
Su	bsequent visits	
C312	- first five weeksper visit	34.10
C317	<ul> <li>sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient</li> </ul>	
	per week) per visit	34.10
C319		
	per visit	34.10
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
S	See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122	- day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123		61.15
C124	- day of discharge	61.15
e		
	bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive (	Jare Area
-	See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142	1 5 5	C4 45
0140	Intensive Care Area	61.15
C143	<ul> <li>second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care Area</li> </ul>	61.15
C121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
	Preamble GP43)per visit	34.10
C318		04.40
	Concurrent care per visit	34.10

# **PHYSICAL MEDICINE & REHABILITATION (31)**

# NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

W515 Consultation	208.75
W425 Comprehensive physical medicine and rehabilitation	
consultation - subject to the same conditions as A425	310.45
W310 Limited consultation	95.25
W516 Repeat consultation	95.25
W510 Complex neuromuscular assessment - subject to the same conditions as A510	93.70
W511 Complex physiatry assessment - subject to the same	55.70
conditions as A511	102.55
Admission assessment	
W512 - Type 1	69.35
W514 - Type 2	20.60
W517 - Type 3	30.70
W419 Periodic health visit	65.05
W314 General re-assessment of patient in nursing home*	20.60

#### Note:

\*May only be claimed 6 months after Periodic health visit (as per the Nursing Homes Act).

# Subsequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)

Chronic care or convalescent hospital

<ul> <li>W312 - first 4 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit</li> <li>W311 - additional subsequent visits (maximum of 6 per patient per</li> </ul>	34.10
month) per visit	34.10
W982 palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
Nursing <i>home</i> or <i>home</i> for the aged	
W313 - first 2 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W318 - subsequent visits per month (maximum of 3 per patient per	
month) per visit	34.10
W972 - palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
W121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
Preamble GP49)per visit	34.10

# **PHYSICAL MEDICINE & REHABILITATION (31)**

### Team management in a Rehabilitation Unit

Team management in a Rehabilitation Unit active in-patient rehabilitation management from the initiation of rehabilitation care as it applies to fee codes H312, H317 and H319 means when this service is rendered by one physiatrist even if part of the service is rendered in an active treatment hospital and part is rendered in a rehabilitation unit, the *week*ly and *month*ly limitations under the following fee codes apply to the total rehabilitation care rendered. In other words, it is not possible to claim the maximum fees allowed under C312, C317 and C319 and then start claiming de novo under H312, H317 and H319 under the above circumstances.

H312	- first twelve weeks per visit	42.70
H317	- from thirteenth to twenty-sixth week (maximum 3 per patient	
	per week) per visit	42.70
H319	- twenty-seventh week onwards (maximum 6 per patient per	
	month) per visit	42.70

#### Rehabilitation counselling

Rehabilitation counselling one or more persons. Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof - see General Preamble GP7, GP55 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.

H313	Rehabilitation counselling		per unit	84.20
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#### Physiatric management

Physiatric management is the service rendered by physiatrists for regulation, management and supervision of the active, regular, and ongoing treatment of a patient in a rehabilitation department by physical or other (e.g. occupational, speech) therapists. The service also includes making arrangements for any related assessments, procedures or therapy and making arrangements for follow-up care as required.

### Payment rules:

- **1.** Physiatric management is *not eligible for payment* if any other service is rendered by the same physician on the same day to the same patient.
- **2.** This service is *only eligible for payment* on days when rehabilitation services are provided to patients seen previously by the physiatrist for consultation or assessment.

### [Commentary:

**1.** The fee is not meant as an administrative fee for supervising a department of rehabilitation.

**2.** This fee applies only to those patients who require and receive frequent attention by the physician during the course of rehabilitation with regard to rehabilitative services or physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy and discharge planning.]

### **PLASTIC SURGERY (08)**

#### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A085	Consultation	91.35
A935	Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).	163.20
A086	Repeat consultation	54.00
A083	Specific assessment	46.80
A084	Partial assessment	29.90

### EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

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### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

<ul> <li>C085 Consultation</li> <li>C935 Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).</li> <li>C086 Repeat consultation</li> <li>C083 Specific assessment</li> <li>C084 Specific re-assessment</li> </ul>	91.35 163.20 54.00 46.80 30.00
Subsequent visits	
C082 - first five weeksper visit	31.00
C087 - sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	
per week) per visit	31.00
C089 - after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	31.00
	51.00
Subsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122 - day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123 - second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124 - day of discharge	61.15
Subsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Ca	re Area
See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142 - first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an	
Intensive Care Area	61.15
C143 - second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from	
an Intensive Care Area	61.15
C121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
Preamble GP43)per visit	34.10
C088 Concurrent care per visit	31.00
C982 Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50)per visit	34.10

#### **PLASTIC SURGERY (08)**

### NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

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W085 Consultation	91.35
W086 Repeat consultation	54.00

#### PSYCHIATRY (19)

#### GENERAL LISTINGS A195 Consultation..... 222.50 A895 Consultation in association with special visit to a hospital in-patient, long-term care in-patient or emergency department patient ..... 259.90

### **Claims submission instructions:**

Submit claim using A895 and the appropriate special visit premium beginning with "C" prefix for a hospital in-patient, "W" prefix for a long-term care in-patient or "K" prefix for an emergency department patient.

# Special psychiatric consultation

Special psychiatric consultation is a consultation in which the physician provides all the elements of a consultation (A195) and spends a minimum of 75 minutes of direct contact with the patient.

A190 Special psychiatric consultation..... 310.45

# Medical record requirements:

The service is eligible for payment only if start and stop times of the service are recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.

# Geriatric psychiatric consultation

Geriatric psychiatric consultation is payable to a psychiatrist for a patient aged 75 years or older and must include all the elements of A195 and a minimum of 75 minutes of direct contact with the patient exclusive of discussion with caregivers or any separately payable services. The consultation must be scheduled a minimum of 24 hours prior to the visit. The start and stop time must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record. Maximum one per patient per physician every 5 years. Geriatric psychiatric consultations that do not conform with the above or are delegated in a clinic teaching unit to an intern, resident or fellow are payable as a lesser consultation or visit.

A795 Geriatric psychiatric consultation ..... 310.45

# Neurodevelopmental consultation

Neurodevelopmental consultation is payable when the physician provides all the elements of A195 for an adult with complex neurodevelopmental conditions e.g. autism, global developmental disorders etc., and must include a minimum of 90 minutes of direct contact with the patient and caregiver. The start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record. Maximum one per patient per physician every 5 years.

A695 Neurodevelopmental consultation	414.35
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#### Note:

Neurodevelopmental consultations for children or adolescents or for less complex conditions e.g. attention deficit disorder are payable at a lesser fee.

A395	Limited consultation	105.25
A196	Repeat consultation	105.25
A193	Specific assessment	86.35
A194	Partial assessment	41.15

### Consultative interview on behalf of disturbed patient (including report)

A197 - consultative interview with parent(s) or patient		
	representative(s) of patient less than age 22	237.45

PSYCHIATRY (19)		
A198	- consultative interview with patient less than age 22	237.45
A191	<ul> <li>consultative interview with caregiver(s) of a patient at least</li> </ul>	
	65 years of age, or a patient less than 65 years of age with a	
	diagnosis of dementia	237.45
A192	<ul> <li>consultative interview with patient at least 65 years of age,</li> </ul>	
	or a patient less than 65 years of age with a diagnosis of	
	dementia	237.45

#### Note:

1.A191, A192, A197 and A198 are consultations.

**2.**A191, A192, A197, A198 are *not eligible for payment* for the same patient, same *day* as family psychiatric care or family psychotherapy (K191, K193, K195, K196).

#### [Commentary:

For psychiatric consultation extension with parents or caregivers, see K630.]

# **PSYCHIATRY (19)**

#### Psychiatric consultation extension

This service is eligible for payment for an extension to the consultations listed in the table below when the physician is required to spend an additional period of consecutive or non-consecutive time on the same day with the patient and/or patient's relative(s), *patient's representative* or other caregivers.

#### Note:

The time unit measured excludes time spent on separately billable interventions.

K630 Psychiatric consultation extension...... per unit 117.40

#### **Payment rules:**

- **1.**K630 is a time based service. Time is calculated based on units Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof see General Preamble GP7 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.
- 2.K630 is limited to a maximum of six units per patient per physician per day.
- **3.**K630 is payable in accordance with the following rules:

Consultation	Minimum time with the patient before the start time for the first unit of K630	Minimum time required for consultation service + 1 unit of K630 to be payable	[Commentary: Minimum time required for consultation service + 2 units of K630 to be payable
A190, C190, W190	90 minutes	106 minutes	136 minutes
A195	60 min	76 min	106 min
A197 – sole service	60 min	76 min	106 min
A198 – sole service	60 min	76 min	106 min
A197 + A198 same patient same day	120 min	136 min	166 min
A695, C695, W695	120 min	136 min	166 min
A795, C795, W795	90 min	106 min	136 min
A895, C895, W895	60 min	76 min	106 min
A191	60 min	76 min	106 min
A192	60 min	76 min	106 min
A191+ A192 same patient same day	120 min	136 min	166 min]

# **PSYCHIATRY (19)**

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### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL SERVICES

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C895	Consultation	259.90
C190	Special psychiatric consultation - subject to the same	
	conditions as A190	310.45
C395	Limited consultation	105.25
C196	Repeat consultation	105.25
C795	Geriatric psychiatric consultation - subject to same conditions as A795	310.45
C695	Neurodevelopmental consultation - subject to same conditions	
	as A695	414.35
C193	Specific assessment	86.35
C194	Specific re-assessment	66.25
Su	bsequent visits	
C192		34.10
C197	<ul> <li>sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient</li> </ul>	
	per week) per visit	34.10
C199		
	per visit	34.10
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
	<b>bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)</b> See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
	See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	61.15
S	See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions. - day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15 61.15
S C122	See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions. - day following the hospital admission assessment	
C122 C123 C124	See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions. - day following the hospital admission assessment - second day following the hospital assessment	61.15 61.15
C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b>	See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions. - day following the hospital admission assessment - second day following the hospital assessment - day of discharge	61.15 61.15
C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b>	See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions. - day following the hospital admission assessment - second day following the hospital assessment - day of discharge bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive ( See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	61.15 61.15
S C122 C123 C124 Su S	See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions. - day following the hospital admission assessment - second day following the hospital assessment - day of discharge <b>bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive (</b> See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	61.15 61.15
S C122 C123 C124 Su S	<ul> <li>See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li></ul>	61.15 61.15 Care Area
S C122 C123 C124 Su S C142	<ul> <li>See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li></ul>	61.15 61.15 Care Area
S C122 C123 C124 Su S C142 C143	<ul> <li>See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li></ul>	61.15 61.15 <b>Care Area</b> 61.15
S C122 C123 C124 Su S C142 C143	<ul> <li>See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li></ul>	61.15 61.15 <b>Care Area</b> 61.15
S C122 C123 C124 Su S C142 C143 C121	<ul> <li>See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li></ul>	61.15 61.15 Care Area 61.15 61.15

#### **PSYCHIATRY (19)**

#### NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

W895 Consultation	259.90
W190 Special psychiatric consultation - subject to the same	
conditions as A190	310.45
W795 Geriatric psychiatric consultation - subject to same conditions	
as A795	310.45
W695 Neurodevelopmental consultation - subject to same conditions	
as A695	414.35
W395 Limited consultation	105.25
W196 Repeat consultation	105.25

### PSYCHIATRY (19)

#### **PSYCHIATRIC CLINICAL PRACTICE MODIFIERS/PREMIUMS**

#### Acute post-discharge community psychiatric care

Acute post-discharge community psychiatric care is a premium for a service that occurs during the (4) *week* period immediately following discharge where the patient was a hospital in-patient for treatment of a psychiatric condition. The premium is only applicable to K195, K196, K197 or K198.

K187 Acute post-discharge community psychiatric care, to K195,

K196, K197 or K198..... add 15%

#### High risk community psychiatric care

High risk community psychiatric care is a premium for a service that occurs during the six (6) *month* period following a suicide attempt. For the purposes of this premium, suicide attempts include self-harm attempts with intent to commit suicide or high lethality self-harm attempts, but do not include self harm attempts of low lethality with no intent to commit suicide. The premium is applicable to A190, A191, A192, A195, A197, A198, A695, A795, K195, K196, K197 and K198.

K188 High risk community psychiatric care, to A190, A191, A192,

A195, A197, A198, A695, A795, K195, K196, K197 or K198

..... add 15%

#### Payment rules:

- **1.**K187 or K188 are both payable with K195, K196, K197 or K198 when rendered during the first four (4) *week* period following discharge where the patient was a hospital in-patient for treatment of a psychiatric condition and the requirements for both K187 and K188 are met.
- 2.K188 is not eligible for payment in addition to K189 on the same patient same day.
- K189 Urgent community psychiatric follow-up, to A190, A195, A192, A198, A695 or A795 .....add

### Payment rules:

- **1.**K189 is *only eligible for payment* when the psychiatrist providing the urgent community psychiatric follow-up:
  - a.renders a service described by A190, A195, A192, A198, A695 or A795 to an out-patient on an urgent basis during the four (4) *week* period immediately following discharge where the patient was a hospital in-patient for treatment of a psychiatric condition;
  - **b**.did not provide services to the same patient during the same psychiatric hospital admission; and
  - **c.**will continue appropriate care of the out-patient for a minimum of six (6) *months* as required.
- 2.K189 is limited to a maximum of one per physician per patient per 12 month period.

216.30

#### **PSYCHIATRY (19)**

#### Assessments under the Mental Health Act

See General Preamble GP34 for definitions and conditions.

#### Consultation for involuntary psychiatric treatment

Consultation for involuntary psychiatric treatment in accordance with the *Mental Health Act*. Unit means  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour or major part thereof - see General Preamble GP7, GP55 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.

K620 Consultation for involuntary psychiatric treatment ..... per unit 94.95

#### Form 1

Application for psychiatric assessment, in accordance with the *Mental Health Act* includes necessary history, examination, notification of the patient, family and relevant authorities and completion of form.

#### Form 3

Certification of involuntary admission in accordance with the *Mental Health Act* includes necessary history, examination, notification of the patient, family and relevant authorities and completion of form.

K624	Certification of involuntary admission	144.15
K629	All other re-certification(s) of involuntary admission including	
	completion of appropriate forms	42.70

#### Note:

**1.**A completed Form 1 Application by a Physician For Psychiatric Assessment retained on the patient's medical record is sufficient documentation to indicate that a consultation for involuntary psychiatric treatment has been requested by the referring physician.

- **2.**Consultations or assessments claimed in addition to certification or re-certification same *day* are payable at nil.
- **3.** Interviews with relatives on behalf of a patient, *Child*ren's Aid Society (CAS) staff or legal guardian, etc. see listings in Family Practice & Practice In General.
- **4.**Certification of incompetence (financial) including assessment to determine incompetence is not an insured benefit.

# **PSYCHIATRY (19)**

# PSYCHOTHERAPY, FAMILY PSYCHOTHERAPY, HYPNOTHERAPY AND PSYCHIATRIC CARE

#### Note:

- 1. For conditions and definitions see General Preamble GP54 to GP61.
- 2. For electroconvulsive therapy fees, see Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures.
- **3.** When claiming group therapy only services rendered to one group are payable at the same time
- **4.**Unit means ½ hour or major part thereof see General Preamble GP7, GP55 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.

#### **Psychiatric care**

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K198	- out-patient		89.70
K199	- in-patient	per unit	103.40
Far	nily psychiatric care		
K196	- out-patient	per unit	101.75
K191	- in-patient	per unit	117.40
N	ote:		
F	amily psychotherapy is claimed against the patient's h	nealth number and dia	ignosis.
Psy	<b>/chotherapy</b>		
K197	Individual out-patient psychotherapy	per unit	89.70
K190	Individual in-patient psychotherapy	per unit	93.95
K195	Family psychotherapy - out-patients (two or more me	mbers)	
			101.75
K193	Family psychotherapy - in-patients (two or more men	nbers)	
		per unit	106.60
Gro	oup psychotherapy, out-patients - per member - fir	st 12 units per day	
K208	- 2 people	per unit	44.85
K209	- 3 people	per unit	29.90
K203	- 4 people	per unit	22.45
K204	- 5 people	per unit	17.90
K205	- 6 to 12 people	-	16.15
K206	- additional units - per member (maximum 6 per pat	•	
	day)	per unit	14.35
Gro	oup psychotherapy, in-patients - per member - firs	t 12 units per day	
K210	- 2 people	per unit	47.05
K211	- 3 people	per unit	31.35
K200	- 4 people	per unit	23.45
K201	- 5 people	per unit	18.75
K202	- 6 to 12 people	-	16.95
K207	- additional units - per member (maximum 6 per pat	ient per	
	day)	per unit	14.35

# **PSYCHIATRY (19)**

Ну	pnotherapy		
K192	Individual	per unit	89.70
K194	Group - for induction and training for hypnosis - per	member	
	(maximum eight people)	per unit	16.30

#### **DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY (33)**

#### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

#### Consultation

A diagnostic radiology consultation is the service rendered when:

- a. radiographs or ultrasounds made at one institution or facility are referred to a radiologist at a different institution or facility for his/her written opinion. In this case, the *specific elements* are as for diagnostic radiology *professional component* (see page D1);
- b. a radiologist is required to make a special visit at evening or night (17:00h to 07:00h) or on a Saturday, Sunday or *holiday* to consult on the advisability of performing a diagnostic radiological procedure which eventually is not done. In this case, the *specific elements* are the same as for consultations; or
- **c.** when a radiologist is required to render an opinion prior to an interventional procedure and all of the following requirements are met. In this case, the *specific elements* are the same as for consultations:
  - i. the consultation is performed in an area remote from the radiologist's normal procedural suite;
  - ii. the requirements for a consultation are met;
  - iii. the consultation is not solely for the purpose of clarifying or obtaining consent; and
  - **iv.** the associated procedure is one of the following: J021, J025, J040, J041, J046, J048, J049, J050, J055, J056, J057, J058, J059, J063, J065, J066, N107, N118, N122, N125, S233, Z446, Z456, Z562, Z594.

#### Payment rules:

- **1.** A diagnostic radiology consultation is *not eligible for payment* when radiographs made in a different institution or facility are used for comparison purposes with radiographs or ultrasounds made in the consultant's institution or facility.
- 2.A335 is not eligible for payment for CT and MRI services.

#### [Commentary:

For a second opinion by a radiologist of CT and MRI studies, see A330 and A332 respectively.]

#### Special interventional radiological consultation

A special interventional radiological consultation is the service described under part (c) of a regular consultation (A335) in circumstances in which because of the very complex, obscure or serious nature of the problem, the physician is required to spend a minimum of 50 minutes with the patient in consultation.

#### [Commentary:

The calculation of the 50 minute minimum excludes time devoted to any other service or procedure for which an amount is payable in addition to the consultation.]

A365 Special interventional radiological consultation ...... 223.20

### **DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY (33)**

### Radiology second opinion of CT or MRI Study

A radiology second opinion of CT or MRI study is the service rendered when CT or MRI images made and interpreted by a radiologist at one institution or facility are referred to a radiologist ("consultant radiologist") at a different institution or facility for his/her written interpretation. For the purposes of these services, "study" means all images related to one anatomical region, as these regions are listed in the payment rules below.

A330	Radiology second opinion of CT study, per study	89.50
A332	Radiology second opinion of MRI study, per study	199.70

### Payment rules:

- **1.**A330 and A332 are *not eligible for payment* when CT or MRI images made in a different institution or facility are used for comparison purposes with CT or MRI images made in the consultant radiologist's institution or facility.
- **2.**A330 and A332 are limited to a maximum of one each per study per patient per 30 day period.
- **3.**For CT studies, the anatomical regions are head, neck, thorax, abdomen, pelvis, extremities (one or more) and spine (one or more segments).
- **4.**For MRI studies, the anatomical regions are head, neck, thorax, abdomen, breast(s), pelvis, extremities (one or more) and spine (one or more segments).
- **5.**E406, E407 or E408 after hours premiums for diagnostic CT/MRI services are *not eligible for payment* with A330 or A332.

#### Medical record requirements:

A330 and A332 are *only eligible for payment* if both the written request from the referring physician and the consultant radiologist's second opinion report are included in the patient's permanent medical record.

### Minor assessment

A minor assessment (A331) is the service rendered when a radiologist evaluates a patient on a non-emergent basis resulting in the cancellation or deferral of a planned diagnostic radiology procedure due to procedural difficulties, including lack of patient cooperation, if no other diagnostic radiology procedure is rendered.

### Minor assessment

A minor assessment (A338) is the service rendered when a radiologist evaluates a patient on a non-emergent basis on the advisability of performing a diagnostic radiological procedure which eventually is not done.

### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C335	Consultation - subject to the same conditions as A335	50.00
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C365 Special interventional radiological consultation - subject to the	
same conditions as A365	223.20

DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY (33)	
C330 Radiology second opinion of CT study, per study - subject to	
the same conditions as A330	89.50
C332 Radiology second opinion of MRI study, per study - subject to	
the same conditions as A332	199.70

### **RADIATION ONCOLOGY (34)**

#### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A345	Consultation	158.05
A765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
A745	Limited consultation	102.90
A346	Repeat consultation	102.90
A343	Medical specific assessment	80.40
A340	Medical specific re-assessment	61.70
A341	Complex medical specific re-assessment	71.40
A348	Partial assessment	37.55

E078 - chronic disease assessment premium (see General Preamble GP25).....add 50%

### **EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)**

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patient(s) in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

#### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C345	Consultation	158.05
C765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
C745	Limited consultation	102.90
C346	Repeat consultation	102.90
C343	Medical specific assessment	80.40
C344	Medical specific re-assessment	61.70
C341	Complex medical specific re-assessment	71.40
Su	bsequent visits	
C342	- first five weeksper visit	34.10
C347	- sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	
	per week) per visit	34.10
C349	<ul> <li>after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)</li> </ul>	
	per visit	34.10
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
S	ee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122	- day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123	- second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124	- day of discharge	61.15
Su	bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Inten	sive Care Area
S	ee General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142	- first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an	
	Intensive Care Area	61.15
C143	<ul> <li>second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from</li> </ul>	
	an Intensive Care Area	61.15

General	
per visit	34.10
per visit	34.10
per visit	34.10
-	per visit per visit

### **RESPIRATORY DISEASE (47)**

#### For Services not listed, refer to Internal Medicine Section.

#### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A475	Consultation	175.55
A765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50

#### Comprehensive respiratory disease consultation

This service is a consultation rendered by a *specialist* in respiratory disease who provides all the appropriate elements of a consultation and spends a minimum of seventy-five (75) minutes of direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable intervention to the patient.

### Medical record requirements:

The start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to a lesser paying fee.

#### [Commentary:

1.A470 must satisfy all the elements of a consultation (see page GP16).

**2.** The calculation of the 75 minute minimum time for comprehensive respiratory diseases consultations excludes time devoted to any other service or procedure for which an amount is payable in addition to the consultation.]

A575	Limited consultation	108.95
A476	Repeat consultation	108.95
A473	Medical specific assessment	87.60
A474	Medical specific re-assessment	65.90
A471	Complex medical specific re-assessment	76.30
A478	Partial assessment	39.60

E078 - chronic disease assessment premium (see General Preamble GP25).....add 50%

#### **Complex respiratory assessment**

This service is an assessment for the ongoing management of the following conditions of the respiratory system where the complexity of the condition requires the continuing management by a respirology *specialist* (47):

- a. chronic respiratory failure (i.e. a symptomatic patient with a PaO2 <60mmHg and/or or a PaCO2 >50mmHg);
- b. bronchiectasis with frequent infections;
- c. cystic fibrosis;
- **d.** active pulmonary or extrapulmonary disease due to mycobacterial tuberculosis complex (latent tuberculosis infection is excluded); or
- e. active pulmonary or extrapulmonary non-tuberculous mycobacterial disease (airway or tissue colonization without disease is excluded).

#### **RESPIRATORY DISEASE (47)**

#### Payment rules:

- **1.**A570 must include the elements of a medical specific re-assessment, or the amount payable will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.
- **2.**A570 is limited to 6 per patient, per physician, per *12 month period*. Services in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.
- 3.E078 is not eligible for payment same patient same day as A570.

#### [Commentary:

A570 is not intended for the evaluation and/or management of uncomplicated respiratory disorders. For example, the applicable assessment service from the general listings should be claimed for assessment of patients for routine follow-up of uncomplicated chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (e.g. emphysema, chronic bronchitis).]

### **RESPIRATORY DISEASE (47)**

### EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patient(s) in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C475	Consultation	169.65
C765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
C470	Comprehensive respiratory disease consultation - subject to	
	the same conditions as A470	310.45
C575	Limited consultation	105.25
C476	Repeat consultation	105.25
C473	Medical specific assessment	84.65
C474	Medical specific re-assessment	63.70
C471	Complex medical specific re-assessment	73.75
C570	Complex respiratory assessment – subject to the same	
	conditions as A570	89.85
Su	bsequent visits	
C472	- first five weeksper visit	34.10
C477	- sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	
	per week) per visit	34.10
C479	<ul> <li>after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)</li> </ul>	
	per visit	34.10
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP) see General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
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S C122	ee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions. - day following the hospital admission assessment	
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S C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b>	<ul> <li>Gee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li> <li>second day following the hospital assessment</li> <li>day of discharge</li> </ul> bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Inter-	61.15 61.15
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S C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b> S C142 C143	<ul> <li>See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li></ul>	61.15 61.15 Isive Care Area
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S C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b> S C142 C143	<ul> <li>See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li></ul>	61.15 61.15 nsive Care Area 61.15
S C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b> S C142 C143 C121	<ul> <li>See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.</li> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li></ul>	61.15 61.15 <b>nsive Care Area</b> 61.15 61.15

RHEUMATOLOGY (48)	
For Services not listed, refer to Internal Medicine Section. GENERAL LISTINGS A485 Consultation A765 Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	177.80 165.50
	100.00
<ul> <li>Comprehensive rheumatology consultation</li> <li>This service is a consultation rendered by a <i>specialist</i> in rheumatolog appropriate elements of a consultation and spends a minimum of se direct contact with the patient exclusive of time spent rendering any intervention to the patient.</li> <li>A590 Comprehensive rheumatology consultation</li> </ul>	venty-five (75) minutes of
Medical record requirements:	010.40
For A590, the start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's por the amount payable for the service will be adjusted to a lesser pay	
<b>[Commentary:</b> 1.A590 must satisfy all the elements of a consultation (see page GP	16).
2. The calculation of the 75 minute minimum time for comprehensive consultations excludes time devoted to any other service or proceed is payable in addition to the consultation.]	
A595 Limited consultation	109.35
A486 Repeat consultation	109.90
A483 Medical specific assessment	83.10
A484 Medical specific re-assessment	63.70
A481 Complex medical specific re-assessment	73.80
A488 Partial assessment	39.25
E078 - chronic disease assessment premium (see General Preamble GP25)add 50%	
Complex rheumatology assessment	
<ul> <li>A complex rheumatology assessment is an assessment for the ongo following diseases of the musculoskeletal system where the complex requires the continuing management by a rheumatologist:         <ul> <li>a.Systemic vasculitides;</li> <li>b.Inflammatory myopathies;</li> <li>c.Polymyalgia rheumatica; or</li> <li>d.Paediatric vasculitides.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
A480 Complex rheumatology assessment	93.75

#### **Payment rules:**

1.A complex rheumatology assessment must include the elements of a medical specific reassessment, or the amount payable will be adjusted to lesser assessment fee.

- 2. This service is *not eligible for payment* to a physician for the initial evaluation of the patient by that physician.
- **3.**Complex rheumatology assessments are limited to 6 per patient, per physician, per 12 month *period*. Services in excess of this limit will be adjusted to a lesser assessment fee.
- **4.**E078 is not eligible for payment with A480.

#### **RHEUMATOLOGY (48)**

#### [Commentary:

- 1.A complex rheumatology assessment is for the ongoing management of complex disorders of the musculoskeletal system, where the complexity of the condition requires the continuing management by a rheumatologist. It is not intended for the evaluation and/or management of uncomplicated rheumatologic disorders (e.g. osteoarthritis, bursitis/tendonitis, neck and back pain).
- **2.**Examples of systemic vasculitides include Churg-Strauss angiitis, polyarteritis nodosa, Wegener's granulomatosis, Takayasu's vasculitis, microscopic polyangiitis, and temporal arteritis.
- **3.**A consultation or assessment service, as appropriate, may be claimed for the initial evaluation of a patient. A complex rheumatology assessment is for the ongoing management of a patient with a complex rheumatology disorder.]

### **RHEUMATOLOGY (48)**

### Rheumatoid arthritis management by a specialist

#### Definition/Required elements of service

This is the service rendered by a *specialist* in Rheumatology who is most responsible for providing ongoing management of a patient with rheumatoid arthritis. This service includes all services related to the coordination, provision and documentation of ongoing management, including documentation of all medical record requirements, using a planned care approach.

K481Rheumatoid arthritis management by a specialist75.00

#### Payment rules:

1.K481 is limited to a maximum of one service per patient per 12 month period.

- **2.**K481 is *only eligible for payment* if the physician has rendered a minimum of three consultations/assessments to the patient in the *12 month period* for which K481 is claimed.
- **3.**K481 is *only eligible for payment* when the physician has treated greater than 100 patients with rheumatoid arthritis for the *12 month period* for which K481 is claimed.
- **4.**K481 is *only eligible for payment* to a physician in the following specialties: Rheumatology (48)

#### Medical record requirements:

K481 is *only eligible for payment* when the following information is recorded in the patient's permanent medical record for the previous *12 month period*:

- 1. Measurement of tender joint count;
- 2. Measurement of swollen joint count;
- 3. Physician and patient global assessment of disease activity;
- **4.**Patient pain score;
- **5.**Patient assessment of function (e.g. HAQ [Health Assessment Questionnaire] or SF36 [Short Form 36]);
- 6. Measurement of acute phase reactant (ESR or CRP); and
- 7.Calculation and recording of a pooled measure of RA disease activity (DAS-28 [Disease Activity Score 28], SDAI [Simplified Disease Activity Index], or CDAI [Clinical Disease Activity Index].

#### **Claims submission instructions:**

Claims for K481 should only be submitted when the required elements of the service have been completed for the *12 month period* for which K481 is claimed.

### **RHEUMATOLOGY (48)**

#### Physician to allied professional telephone consultation

This is the service where the rheumatologist participates in a telephone consultation with one or more of the following allied professionals who is funded by and affiliated with the Arthritis Society, Ontario Division:

- a. a physiotherapist who is a member of the College of Physiotherapists of Ontario;
- **b.** an occupational therapist who is a member of the College of Occupational Therapists of Ontario; or
- **c.** a social worker who is a member of the Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers.

K480 Physician to allied professional telephone consultation....... 31.35

#### **Payment rules:**

1.A maximum of one K480 service is eligible for payment per patient per day.

- 2.A maximum of two K480 services are eligible for payment per patient per 12 month period.
- **3.**K480 is *only eligible for payment* for a physician to allied professional telephone consultation that:

a.includes a minimum of 10 minutes of patient-related discussion; and

b.where there is an established physician-patient relationship.

- 4.K480 is not eligible for payment to the physician in the following circumstances:
  - **a**.when the purpose of the telephone discussion is to arrange for an evaluation of the patient by the physician; or
  - **b**.in circumstances where a physician receives compensation, other than by fee-for-service under this *Schedule*, for participation in the telephone consultation, this service is *not eligible for payment* to that physician.

### [Commentary:

- 1. In calculating the minimum time requirement, time does not need to be continuous. In circumstances where a physician to allied health professional telephone consultation service with the consultant physician on the same day is not continuous, the total time represents the cumulative time of all telephone consultations with the same allied health professional on that day pertaining to the same patient.
- **2.**Payment, other than by fee-for-service includes compensation where the physician receives remuneration under a salary, primary care, stipend, APP or AFP model.
- **3.** Physicians who receive compensation other than by fee-for-service under this *Schedule* should consult their contract for guidance on shadow-billing.]

#### Medical record requirements:

K480 is *only eligible for payment* where the following elements are included in the medical record for a physician who submits a claim for the service:

1.patient's name and health number;

- 2. start and stop times of the discussion;
- 3.name(s) of the allied professional participating in the telephone consultation;
- 4. reason for the consultation; and
- 5. the opinion and recommendations of the physician.

#### **RHEUMATOLOGY (48)**

#### Note:

- **1.** The definition/required elements of service and payment rules for consultations in the General Preamble are not applicable to physician to allied professional telephone consultations.
- **2.** This service is eligible for payment in addition to visits or other services provided to the same patient on the same day by the same physician.

### **RHEUMATOLOGY (48)**

### EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

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### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

	Consultation	170.10
C765	Consultation, patient 16 years of age and under	165.50
C590	Comprehensive rheumatology consultation - subject to the	
	same conditions as A590	310.45
C595	Limited consultation	109.35
C486	Repeat consultation	109.35
C483	Medical specific assessment	81.70
C484	Medical specific re-assessment	62.60
C481	Complex medical specific re-assessment	72.65
C480	Complex rheumatology assessment - subject to the same	
	conditions as A480	92.20
Su	bsequent visits	
C482	- first five weeksper visit	34.10
C487	- sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient	
	per week)per visit	34.10
C489	<ul> <li>after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)</li> </ul>	
	per visit	34.10
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
	See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
		61.15
S	- day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15 61.15
S C122	<ul> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li> <li>second day following the hospital assessment</li> </ul>	
S C122 C123 C124	<ul> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li> <li>second day following the hospital assessment</li> <li>day of discharge</li> </ul>	61.15 61.15
S C122 C123 C124 <b>Su</b>	<ul> <li>day following the hospital admission assessment</li> <li>second day following the hospital assessment</li> <li>day of discharge</li> <li>bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Ca</li> </ul>	61.15 61.15
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# **UROLOGY (35)**

GE	NERAL LISTINGS
A355	Consultation*
A935	Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).
A356	Repeat consultation*
A353	Specific assessment*
A354	Partial assessment

### **EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)**

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### NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C355 Consultation* C935 Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19). C356 Repeat consultation* C353 Specific assessment* C354 Specific re-assessment	84.70 163.20 59.00 46.80 26.70
Subsequent visits	
C352 - first five weeksper visit	31.60
C357 - sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient per week) per visit	31.60
C359 - after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)	31.60
per visit	51.00
Subsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP) See General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122 - day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123 - second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124 - day of discharge	61.15
Subsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Ca	re Area
See General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142 - first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an	
Intensive Care Area	61.15
C143 - second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from	o
an Intensive Care Area	61.15
C121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
Preamble GP43)per visit	34.10
C358 Concurrent care per visit	31.60
C982 Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10

84.70 163.20 59.00 46.80 27.80

#### UROLOGY (35)

### NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

W355 Consultation*	84.70
W356 Repeat consultation*	59.00

#### Note:

\**May include* physical examination pertaining to the genito-urinary tract and when necessary such procedures as urethral calibration, catheterization and prostatic fluid examination, but not to include endoscopic examination.

# VASCULAR SURGERY (17)

### **GENERAL LISTINGS**

A175	Consultation	107.45
A935	Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).	163.20
A176	Repeat consultation	60.00
A173	Specific assessment	44.40
A174	Partial assessment	24.10

### **EMERGENCY OR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)**

Physician in hospital but not on duty in the Emergency Department when seeing patients in the Emergency or OPD - use General Listings.

# NON-EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN-PATIENT SERVICES

See General Preamble GP40 to GP48. For emergency calls and other special visits to in-patients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

C175	Consultation	107.45
C935	Special surgical consultation (see General Preamble GP19).	163.20
C176	Repeat consultation	60.00
C173	Specific assessment	44.40
C174	Specific re-assessment	25.95
Su	bsequent visits	
C172	- first five weeks per visit	31.00
C177	<ul> <li>sixth to thirteenth week inclusive (maximum 3 per patient</li> </ul>	
	per week) per visit	31.00
C179	<ul> <li>after thirteenth week (maximum 6 per patient per month)</li> </ul>	
	per visit	31.00
Su	bsequent visits by the Most Responsible Physician (MRP)	
S	ee General Preamble GP44 to GP45 for terms and conditions.	
C122	- day following the hospital admission assessment	61.15
C123	- second day following the hospital assessment	61.15
C124	- day of discharge	61.15
Su	bsequent visits by the MRP following transfer from an Intensive Care	Area
	ee General Preamble GP46 for terms and conditions.	
C142	- first subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from an	
_	Intensive Care Area	61.15
C143	<ul> <li>second subsequent visit by the MRP following transfer from</li> </ul>	
	an Intensive Care Area	61.15
C121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
	Preamble GP43) per visit	34.10
C178	Concurrent care per visit	31.00
C982	Palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10

# **VASCULAR SURGERY (17)**

# NON-EMERGENCY LONG-TERM CARE IN-PATIENT SERVICES

Non-Emergency Long-Term Care In-Patient Services includes Chronic Care Hospitals, Convalescent Hospitals, Nursing *Homes*, *Homes* for the Aged, designated chronic or convalescent care beds in hospitals and nursing *homes* or *homes* for the aged, other than patients in designated *palliative care* beds. For emergency calls and other special visits to inpatients, use General Listings and Premiums when applicable - see General Preamble GP65 to GP78.

W175 Consultation	107.45
W176 Repeat consultation	60.00
Subsequent visits (see General Preamble GP49)	
Chronic care or convalescent hospital	
W172 - first 4 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W171 - additional subsequent visits (maximum of 6 per patient per	
month) per visit	34.10
W982 - palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
Nursing <i>home</i> or <i>home</i> for the aged	
W173 - first 2 subsequent visits per patient per month per visit	34.10
W178 - subsequent visits per month (maximum of 3 per patient per	
month) per visit	34.10
W972 - palliative care (see General Preamble GP50) per visit	34.10
W121 Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General	
Preamble GP49)per visit	34.10

NOT ALLOCATED

#### PREAMBLE

### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

Nuclear Medicine procedures are divided into a *professional component* listed in the columns headed with a "P", and a *technical component* listed in the column headed with an "H". The *technical component* of the procedure subject to the conditions stated under "Diagnostic Services Rendered at a Hospital" on page GP11, is *eligible for payment* only if the service is:

- a. rendered at a hospital; or
- **b.** rendered at an off-site premise operated by a hospital corporation that has received approval under section 4 of the *Public Hospitals Act*.

In addition to the *common elements*, the components of Nuclear Medicine procedures include the following *specific elements*.

### **For Professional Component**

- **A.** Providing clinical supervision, including approving, modifying and/or intervening in the performance of the procedure where appropriate.
- **B.** Performance of any clinical procedure associated with the diagnostic procedure which is not separately billable.
- **C.** Where appropriate, post-procedure monitoring, including intervening except where this constitutes a separately billable service.
- **D.** Interpreting the results of the diagnostic procedure.
- **E.** Providing premises for any aspect(s) of A and D that is(are) performed at a place other than the place in which the procedure is performed.

### Note:

- **1.**Element D must be personally performed by the physician who claims for the service.
- **2.** If the physician claiming the fee for the service is personally unable to perform elements A, B and C, these may be delegated to another physician.
- **3.**Where the only component provided is interpreting the results of the diagnostic procedure, the *specific elements* A and C listed for the *professional component* are included in the *specific elements* of the technical component.

#### For Technical Component H

- A. Preparing the patient for the procedure.
- **B.** Performing the diagnostic procedure(s).
- **C.** Making arrangements for any appropriate follow-up care.
- **D.** Providing records of the results of the procedure to the interpreting physician.
- **E.** Discussion with, and providing information and advice to, the patient or *patient's representative*, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service.
- **F.** Preparing and transmitting a written, signed and dated interpretive report of the procedure to the referring provider.
- **G.** Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for all *specific elements* of the technical and *professional component*s except for the premises for any aspect(s) of A and D of the *professional component* that is(are) not performed at the place in which the procedure is performed.

#### PREAMBLE

### OTHER TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

- 1. Professional and technical components are claimed separately. Claims for the technical component H are submitted using listed fee code with suffix B. Claims for professional component are submitted using listed fee code with suffix C. (e.g. J802C)
- 2. For services rendered outside a hospital setting the only fees billable under the *Health Insurance Act* are listed under P (use suffix C). Costs for the *technical component* of these services are only billable under the *Integrated Community Health Services Centres Act*, 2023.
- 3. With the exception of J818, J835, J821, J834, J880 or when SPECT is claimed, if quantification or data manipulation is carried out in addition to visual inspection of imaging studies, add 30% to the appropriate professional benefit. For claim purposes, use prefix "Y". Such activity must add significant diagnostic information not available by inspection alone and does not include simple image enhancement techniques such as smoothing, background subtraction, etc. Recording of images on videotape for replay and production of images on the video display of a computer do not in themselves justify the additional benefit. The claims for cardiac wall motion studies and calculation of ventricular ejection fraction (J811 and J813) already include an allowance for data manipulation as a general rule and no additional benefit may be claimed. The additional computer benefit may be claimed only when additional cardiac quantifications are performed i.e. stroke volume ratio and volume response curves and/or phase analysis.
- **4.** If examination of Brain, Lung, Liver or Spleen is limited to one view, the benefit (H and P) is to be reduced by 50%.
- 5. Repeat studies on the same day may be claimed only after exercise or drug intervention.
- **6.** When tomographic examination (SPECT) is billed, the 30% add-on referred to in paragraph 3 may not be claimed.
- 7. Costs for the *technical component* of services rendered in an *ICHSC* are listed in the Schedule of Facility Costs.
- 8. The technical and professional fee components for myocardial perfusion imaging / echocardiogram/exercise stress test/stress echocardiogram are *not eligible for payment* in the routine preoperative preparation or screening of a patient for surgery where the patient will undergo a low risk procedure or has a low risk of perioperative cardiac complications, unless there is a clinical indication requiring myocardial perfusion imaging/exercise stress test/cardiac stress echo studies other than solely for preoperative preparation of the patient.

### [Commentary:

- **1.**Studies have indicated that for non cardiac surgery, there may be no clinical benefit and there may be harm in performing functional cardiac testing in patients with low operative risk and little or limited benefit in moderate risk patients. BMJ 2010, Jan 28; 340.
- **2.**One example of a generally accepted guideline is the American College of Cardiology (ACC)/ American Heart Association (AHA) Guidelines that states:
  - **a.**Non invasive testing could be considered in patients with 1 to 2 risk factors and poor functional capacity (less than 4 mets) who require intermediate risk surgery if it will change management (class IIb)
  - **b**.Non invasive testing has not been show to be useful in patients with no clinical risk factors undergoing intermediate risk non cardiac surgery (class III).
  - **c.**Non invasive testing has not been shown to useful in patients undergoing low risk non cardiac surgery (class III)]

CARDIO	OVASCULAR SYSTEM		
		Н	Ρ
	ography		
J802	- peripheral and superior vena cava	96.35	40.30
Firs	st Transit		
J804	- without blood pool images	16.10	16.55
J867	- with blood pool images	57.30	23.25
Car	dioangiography		
J806	- first pass for shunt detection, cardiac output and transit		
	studies	95.10	41.70
Му	ocardial Perfusion Scintigraphy		
J807	- resting, immediate post stress	217.55	38.10
J866	- application of SPECT (maximum 1 per examination), to		
	J807 add	43.50	23.65
J900	- application of Rubidium PET for cardiac perfusion	12 50	22 65
	(maximum 1 per examination), to J807 add	43.50	23.65
J808	- delayed	80.10	20.90
J809	- application of SPECT (maximum 2 per examination), to		
	J808 add	43.50	23.65
J901	- application of Rubidium PET for cardiac perfusion	40.50	00.05
	(maximum 1 per examination), to J808 add	43.50	23.65
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	ET Rubidium for cardiac perfusion is <i>only eligible for payment</i> in tery disease or suspected coronary artery disease at intermedia		
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ischemia where the need for intervention is uncertain.

### Myocardial scintigraphy

J810	- acute infarction, injury	88.25	37.90				
My	Myocardial wall motion						
J811	- studies	95.10	43.25				
J812	- repeat same day (to a maximum of three repeats)	48.15	20.90				
J813	- studies with ejection fraction	135.15	62.50				
J814	- repeat same day (to a maximum of three repeats)	48.15	33.00				
Note:							
J811 and/or J812 rendered in conjunction with J813 and/or J814 are insured services payable							
at	nil.						

J815	Detection of venous thrombosis using radioiodinated		
	fibrinogen up to ten days	131.70	40.30

ENDOC	RINE SYSTEM	Н	P
۵d	renal scintigraphy		
J816	- with iodocholesterol	385.90	40.30
J868	- with iodocholesterol and dexamethasone suppression	451.30	40.30
J869	- with MIBG	555.35	49.70
Thy	vroid scintigraphy		
J818	- with Tc99m or I-131	64.15	40.30
J871	- with I-123	103.10	40.30
2.	<ul> <li>Indications for thyroid scanning include:</li> <li>a. Hyperthyroidism (including nodules associated with hypert</li> <li>b. Congenital hypothyroidism; or</li> <li>c. Masses in the neck or mediastinum suspected to be thyroi</li> <li>d. Assessment of multinodular glands to guide tissue sampline</li> <li>e. Assessment of nodules with equivocal Fine Needle Aspirate</li> <li>Nuclear thyroid assessment is not generally indicated for the inhypothyroidism.</li> <li>Thyroid nodules of less than 1 cm in size may not be accurated</li> </ul>	d in origin. ng ; or tion findings. nvestigation	of adult
Th	scintigraphy.] <b>/roid</b>		
J817	- uptake	28.65	18.25
J870	- repeat	14.65	10.75
Par	athyroid scintigraphy		
	dual isotope technique with T1201 and Te00m leding	004 70	EE 20

J820	- dual isotope technique with T1201 and Tc99m lodine	234.70	55.30
J872	Metastatic survey with I-131	240.60	49.70

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GAST	ROINTESTINAL SYSTEM		
		H	Ρ
Sc	hilling test		
J821	- single isotope	44.65	11.40
J823	- dual isotope	48.15	9.70
Ма	labsorption test		
J824	- with C <sup>14</sup> substrate	57.30	10.35
J873	- with whole body counting	137.70	14.25
Ga	strointestinal		
J825	- protein loss	82.45	9.75
J874	- blood loss using - Cr <sup>51</sup>	61.90	9.70
J829	- transit	103.10	40.30
Ca	Icium absorption		
J826	- Ca <sup>45</sup>	61.90	9.95
J875	- Calcium <sup>47</sup> absorption/excretion	253.10	31.00
J827	- Oesophageal motility studies - one or more	118.90	40.30
Ga	stro-oesophageal		
J876	- reflux	56.70	40.30
J877	- aspiration	40.15	40.30
Ab	dominal scintigraphy - for gastrointestinal bleed		
J830	- Tc99m sulphur colloid or Tc <sup>04</sup>	87.00	40.30
J878	- labelled RBCs	143.20	40.30
J879	- LeVeen shunt patency	66.30	38.70
J831	Biliary scintigraphy	114.50	40.30
J832	Liver/spleen scintigraphy	80.10	40.30
J833	Salivary gland scintigraphy	96.25	40.30

GENITC	DURINARY SYSTEM		
		H	Ρ
J834	Dynamic renal imaging	96.25	32.60
Cor	nputer assessed renal function		
J835	- includes first transit	131.70	57.80
J880	- repeat after pharmacological intervention	44.85	17.80
J836	Static renal scintigraphy	33.25	40.30
J837	ERPF by blood sample method	40.15	10.35
J838	GFR by blood sample method	40.15	10.35
J839	Cystography for vesicoureteric reflux	120.55	40.30
Tes	ticular and scrotal scintigraphy		
J840	- includes first transit	82.45	40.30

HAEM	ATOPOIETIC SYSTEM			
		Н	Ρ	
J841	Plasma volume	43.50	11.85	
J843	Red cell volume	48.15	11.85	
J847	Ferrokinetics - clearance, turnover, and utilization	400.95	26.50	
J848	Red cell, white cell or platelet survival	102.60	21.25	
J849	Red cell survival with serial surface counts	148.25	27.10	
Во	ne marrow scintigraphy			
J881	- whole body	113.70	49.70	
J882	- single site	84.85	40.30	
In-	111 leukocyte scintigraphy			
J883	- whole body	364.30	49.70	
J884	- single site	320.80	40.30	

MUSCU	LOSKELETAL SYSTEM			
		Н	Ρ	
Bor	ne scintigraphy			
J850	- general survey	103.70	49.70	
J851	- single site	84.85	40.30	
Gal	lium scintigraphy			
J852	- general survey	177.55	49.70	
J853	- single survey	123.70	40.30	
Арр	blication of tomography (SPECT)			
J819	<ul> <li>where each SPECT image represents a different organ or body area, to J852, maximum 3 images per examination</li> </ul>			
	add	43.50	24.65	
Ν	ote:			

J850 and J851 are not to be billed together. J804 may be claimed in addition to J850 or J851 for blood pool study.

### NERVOUS SYSTEM AND RESPIRATORY SYSTEM

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NERVOUS SYSTEM		
CSF circulation		
J857 - with Tc99m or I-131 HSA	120.25	45.75
J885 - with In-111	308.20	45.75
J886 - via shunt puncture	88.55	44.45
J858 Brain scintigraphy	90.40	44.80
RESPIRATORY SYSTEM		
J859 Perfusion lung scintigraphy	85.90	36.05
J887 Ventilation lung scintigraphy	107.70	36.05
J860 Perfusion and ventilation scintigraphy - same day	171.85	75.90

MISCE	LLANEOUS		
		Н	Ρ
J861	Radionuclide lymphangiogram	112.20	54.80
J862	Ocular tumour localization	75.60	54.90
J864	Tear duct scintigraphy	97.35	42.95
J865	Total body counting	187.95	49.70
Ар	plication of Tomography (SPECT), other than to J808 or J8	52	
J866	- maximum one per Nuclear Medicine examination add	43.50	23.65

#### SCINTIMAMMOGRAPHY

# Scintimammography is *not eligible for payment* unless at least one of the following conditions is met:

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- a. the patient has a dense breast(s) and one or both of the following risk factors:
  - i. a first degree relative with breast cancer diagnosed prior to age 50; or
  - **ii.** a first degree relative with breast cancer diagnosed over age 50 and patient is within 5 years of the age when the relative was diagnosed with breast cancer.
- **b.** architectural distortion of the breasts due to prior breast surgery, radiotherapy, chemotherapy or the presence of breast prosthesis rendering mammography interpretation difficult;
- c. malignant breast lesion when mammography is unable to exclude multifocal disease; or
- d. solitary lesion identified on mammography of greater than 1 cm.

#### Scintimammography

#### Note:

For the purpose of this provision, "dense breast(s)" means (a) breast(s) occupied by over 75% fibroglandular tissue as noted on mammography.

### CLINICAL PROCEDURES ASSOCIATED WITH DIAGNOSTIC NUCLEAR MEDICINE

Such procedural benefits are intended for the physician's service of placing an instrument or introducing diagnostic radiopharmaceuticals. They are not intended to be used for simple subcutaneous, intramuscular or intravenous injection nor for oral administration. Rather than double listing the procedures and benefits in this part of the fee *schedule*, physicians are directed to the following reference points in the *Schedule* 

- a. Intra-articular injections G370 on page J53.
- b. Injection into CSF spaces or shunt apparatus Z801 or Z821 on page X8.
- c. Arterial puncture Z459 on pages H6 and J7.
- d. Paracentesis in conjunction with shunt patency study Z590 on page S34.

#### PREAMBLE

#### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

In addition to the *common elements*, the *professional component* of PET procedures includes the following *specific elements*.

#### For Professional Component P

- **A.** Providing clinical supervision, including approving, modifying and/or intervening in the performance of the procedure where appropriate, and quality control of all elements of the *technical component* of the procedure.
- **B.** Performance of any clinical procedure associated with the diagnostic procedure which is not separately billable (e.g. injections which are an integral part of the study).
- **C.** Where appropriate, post-procedure monitoring, including intervening except where this constitutes a separately billable service.
- **D.** Interpreting the results of the diagnostic procedure.
- **E.** Providing premises for any aspect(s) of A and D that is(are) performed at a place other than the place in which the procedure is performed.

If the physician claiming the fee for the service is personally unable to perform elements A, B and C, these may be delegated to another physician, who must personally perform the service.

Element D must be personally performed by the physician who claims for the service.

#### Note:

- **1.**PET scanning is an insured service only for the investigation of the indications listed below.
- **2.**PET scanning for all oncologic or suspected oncologic indications must be performed using a combined positron emission tomography-computed tomography scanner (PET/CT) in order to localize anatomically any areas of abnormality on the PET image.
- **3.** Interpretation of a CT scan performed to identify the anatomical location of a PET scan abnormality or for attenuation correction is *not eligible for payment*.

#### [Commentary:

- **1.** It is expected that the physician requesting a PET scan is making clinical decisions related to the treatment of the patient or is basing their request on the recommendation of the treating physician.
- 2.A PET scan may be available for indications other than those listed below through other PET Scans Ontario programs. PET Scans Ontario is coordinated by Ontario Health. The contact number is 1-877-473-8411. A full list of all funded indications in Ontario is available at CCOHealth.ca/PET.]

### Solitary pulmonary nodule (SPN)

Solitary pulmonary nodule for which a diagnosis could not be established by a needle biopsy due to:

- a. unsuccessful attempted needle biopsy;
- b. the SPN is inaccessible to needle biopsy; or
- **c.** the existence of a contra-indication to the use of needle biopsy.
- J700 Solitary pulmonary nodule ..... 255.20

### Thyroid cancer

Thyroid cancer for which standard imaging studies, including I-131 scan and/or neck ultrasound, are negative or equivocal, and recurrent or persistent disease is suspected on the basis of an elevated and/or rising thyroglobulin level(s).

### Germ cell tumour

Germ cell tumour for which recurrent or persistent disease is suspected on the basis of:

- **a.** elevated tumour marker(s) (beta human chorionic gonadotrophin (HCG) and/or alpha fetoprotein) in the presence of negative or equivocal standard imaging studies; or
- **b.** the presence of a residual mass after primary treatment for seminoma when curative surgical resection is being considered.

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Colorectal cancer	
Colorectal cancer for which standard imaging studies are negative or e disease after surgical resection is suspected on the basis of an elevate carcinoembryronic antigen (CEA) level(s).	•
J703 Colorectal cancer	255.20
Lymphoma	
For the evaluation of a residual mass(es) following chemotherapy in a p Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma when further potentially curative therapy (su cell transplantation) is being considered.	•
J704 Lymphoma for the evaluation of a residual mass(es)	255.20
For the assessment of response in early stage Hodgkin's lymphoma for chemotherapy when chemotherapy is being considered as the definitiv therapy.	• •
J705 Lymphoma for the assessment of response to treatment	255.20
Non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC):	
<ul> <li>For which curative surgical resection is being considered based on imaging tests; or</li> </ul>	negative standard
b. For clinical stage III NSCLC which is being considered for potentially modality therapy with radical radiotherapy and chemotherapy.	y curative combined
J706 Non-small cell lung cancer	255.20
Limited disease small cell lung cancer	
Limited disease small cell lung cancer for evaluation and staging where therapy with chemotherapy and radiotherapy is being considered.	e combined modality
J709 Limited disease small cell lung cancer	255.20
Esophageal carcinoma	
<ul> <li>a. Baseline staging assessment of those patients diagnosed with esop considered for curative therapy.</li> </ul>	bhageal cancer being
b. Repeat PET/CT scan on completion of pre-operative/neoadjuvant the second s	nerapy, prior to surgery.
J710 Esophageal carcinoma	255.20
Metastatic squamous cell carcinoma – evaluation of neck nodes	
J711 Metastatic squamous cell carcinoma – evaluation of neck nodes	255.20
<b>Note:</b> J711 is only insured when the primary disease site is unknown after ra clinical investigation.	diologic and
Liver metastasis from colorectal cancer	
Prior to surgery for resection of metastatic lesions from colorectal canc	cer only when:

- **a.** The surgical procedure on the liver is high risk; or
- **b.** The patient is considered at high risk for surgery.

[Commentary:	
Examples of high risk liver surgical procedures are multiple staged liver re vascular reconstruction is required.]	section or where
J712 Liver metastasis from colorectal cancer	255.20
Staging nasopharyngeal carcinoma	
J713 Staging of nasopharyngeal carcinoma	255.20

### Cardiac PET using fluorodeoxyglucose (FDG)

Cardiac PET using fluorodeoxyglucose (FDG) for myocardial viability assessment in a patient that:

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- **a.** has moderate to severe ischemic left ventricular dysfunction (left ejection less than or equal to 40%) despite maximal medical therapy; and
- **b.** is a suitable candidate for a cardiac revascularization procedure or cardiac transplantation.

J708 - cardiac PET with quantitative analysis, to J707... add 0%

#### Note:

PET is an insured service for the clarification of myocardial viability when:

- **a.**a previous myocardial imaging assessment has been rendered, using another modality (e.g. SPECT using thallium, MIBI or dobutamine stress echocardiography) and the result of the previous imaging assessment was equivocal or demonstrated insufficient viable myocardium; or
- **b**.a patient with a left ventricular ejection fraction less than 35% and known multi-vessel coronary disease determined by coronary angiography urgently needs an assessment of myocardial viability.

### [Commentary:

Examples of other modalities for assessing viability include SPECT imaging using myocardial perfusion agents such as thallium, MIBI or tetrofosmin, or dobutamine stress echocardiography.]

### Payment rules:

Only one of J700, J701, J702, J703, J704, J705, J706, J707, J709 or J710 is eligible for payment per patient per day.

### Claims submission instructions:

Submit claims for the *professional component* of a PET scan using the "C" suffix.

NOT ALLOCATED

#### PREAMBLE

#### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

In addition to the *common elements*, all Radiation Oncology codes include the following *specific elements* with the exception of Treatment Planning (X310, X311, X312, X313, X322) to which elements A and B do not apply.

- **A.** Supervising the preparation of the patient and preparing the patient for the procedure(s).
- **B.** Supervising and/or performing the procedure(s), including application (superficial, interstitial or intracavitary) of the radiation source where appropriate, and including ongoing monitoring and detention during the immediate post-procedure and recovery period.
- **C.** Making arrangements for any related assessments, procedures or therapy, including obtaining any specimens from the patient and interpretation of any results where appropriate.
- **D.** Where indicated, making or supervising the making of arrangements for follow-up care and postprocedure monitoring of the patient's condition, including intervening, until the next insured service is provided.
- **E.** Discussion with and providing advice and information, including prescribing therapy to the patient or the *patient's representative*, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service.
- F. Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for the specific elements
  - a. for services not identified with prefix #, for all elements.
  - **b.** for services identified with prefix #, for any aspect(s) of A, C, D and E that is(are) performed in a place other than the place in which the procedure(s) is performed.

### Specific elements for treatment planning

In addition to *Specific Elements* above, the following *specific elements* apply to Treatment Planning (X310, X311, X312, X313, X322).

- **A.** Must include personal preparation of the medical component of the treatment plan and supervision of the radiation treatment planning, including dosage calculation and preparation of any special treatment device.
- **B.** All subsequent adjustment(s) by any physician to that treatment plan during that complete course of treatment.

### OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- **1.** Treatment Planning (X310, X311, X312, X313) for radiotherapy that is rendered in a place other than an Ontario public hospital funded by Ontario Health to provide radiotherapy is an insured service payable at nil.
- **2.** X305, X306, X322, X323, X324, X325 and X334 rendered in a place other than an Ontario public hospital are insured services payable at nil.
- **3.** Any radiation oncology planning or treatment service that is rendered to a patient during a course of treatment for which Treatment Planning (X310, X311, X312, X313) is *not eligible for payment*.
- **4.** X302, X304 may not be claimed by the staff of an Ontario public hospital funded by Ontario Health to provide radiotherapy.

#### RADIATION TREATMENT PLANNING

Treatment levels are defined by National Hospital Productivity Improvement Project (NHPIP) Codes as published in Activity-Based Funding for Radiation Services in Ontario, "Refining the Task Force on Human Resources for Radiation Services' Interim Funding Formula, April 2001" Joint Policy and Planning Committee (JPPC) Report by the sub-committee Radiation Funding Working Group (RFWG).

#### Level 1 - Simple Treatment Planning

X310	- includes planning that does not meet criteria for X311, X312	
	and X313 per patient, per course of treatment	215.35

#### Level 2 - Intermediate Treatment Planning

- must include one or more of the following treatments and corresponding NHPIP codes

Treatment	NHPIP Code
Any 2, 3 or 4 field cases with contour	103, 104, 110, 111, 170, 215, 381, 382
Any case with contrast media/insertion	150, 151, 152, 160, 161, 191
Any 2, 3 or 4 field cases with 2D computerized dose distribution	310, 311, 312
Any extended SSD cases	120
All cases with standard shielding	220, 230
All cases with simple wax/Pb cut-out	240, 259

Fee

Fee

#### Level 3 - Complex Treatment Planning

- must include one or more of the following treatments and corresponding NHPIP codes

Treatment	NHPIP Code
All 5 and 6 field cases	105, 106, 314
All whole CNS cases	130, 314
4-field conformal distribution	317
5-field non-conformal distribution	318
6-field non-conformal distribution	319
6-field conformal initial calculation	328
6-field non-conformal initial calculation	329
5-field non-conformal initial calculation	335
5-field conformal initial calculation	336
8-field distribution	339
All total/hemi-body planning	350, 360
All cases with CT/MRI scan for treatment planning	370, 371, 372, 373, 382
All cases with custom shielding (e.g. Cerrobend)	224, 225, 231, 232, 234, 242, 313
All cases using manual or automatic compensators	241, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254
All cases with custom immobilization or device	200, 201, 204, 205, 206, 207, 260, 261, 262, 263

X312 Level 3 - per patient, per course of treatment.....

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### Level 4 - Full 3D Treatment Preparation

 radiation therapy must be oriented in two or more axes and must include one or more of the following treatments and corresponding NHPIP codes

	Treatment	NHPIP Code	
	Full 3D target definition (volumetric imaging), 3D dose computation, 3D plan evaluation	333	
	Paediatric radiotherapy Stereotactic radiotherapy Total skin electron treatment Total body irradiation Intensity Modulated Radiotherapy (IMRT)	342	
X313 Level 4 -	per patient, per course of treatment		811.15
	therapy - x-ray, 150 KVP or higher, radium, co i betatron linear accelerator - amount payable		
	ent visit	•	15.90
	eradiotherapy - x-ray, 150 KVP or less - amour e per treatment visit		11.95
Intracavitary proctoscopy	y treatment planning for contact x-ray therapy	including sigmoido	scopy or
•	plication application		170.85 85.50

Fee

### **RADIATION ONCOLOGY**

RADIUM AND RADIOISOTOPES (SEALED SOURCES)	
	Fee
X322 Treatment planning, dosage calculation and preparation of any special treatment device	71.30
Intracavitary application of radium or sealed sources including dilatatior out at the same time as application	n and curettage carried
X323 - first application	223.65
X334 - repeat application	111.90
X324 Interstitial application of radium or sealed radioisotope	223.65
# X325 Application of radium or radioisotope plaque or mould	69.80

#### Note:

X325 may be claimed as an in-patient or out-patient service. Claims for in-patient services must be in accordance with Other Terms and Definitions - #2 on page C1. If claimed as an out-patient service, allow to all listed physicians. Payment for out-patient services must be made to the registered Department of Radiology, in the case of a hospital, even though there is no *technical component* listed.

### **RADIATION ONCOLOGY**

### RADIOISOTOPES (NON-SEALED SOURCES)

Fee

The following benefits include treatment planning, dosage calculation and preparation of materials. Appropriate visit and procedural benefits (e.g. paracentesis) may be claimed in addition. Thyroid benefits (X326, X327, X335) include administration(s) within any three *month* period.

# X326	Thyroid malignancy	100.00
# X327	Hyperthyroidism	80.00
# X335	Induction of hypothyroidism	80.00
# X336	Prostate malignancy	100.00
# X328	Polycythemia	100.00
# X329	Metastatic disease of bone	100.00
# X330	Ascites and/or pleural effusion(s) due to malignancy	100.00
# X332	Arthritis - single or multiple site	80.00

### PREAMBLE

### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

Diagnostic Radiology procedures are divided into a *professional component* listed in the column headed with a "P", and a *technical component* listed in the column headed with an "H". The *technical component* of the procedures subject to the conditions stated under "Diagnostic Services Rendered at a Hospital" on page GP11, is *eligible for payment* only if the service is:

- a. rendered at a hospital; or
- **b.** rendered at an off-site premise operated by a hospital corporation that has received approval under section 4 of the *Public Hospital Act*.

### [Commentary:

As described in Regulation 552 of the *Health Insurance Act*, for a service to be insured, the interpreting physician must physically be present in Ontario when the interpretation service is rendered.]

In addition to the *common elements*, the components of Diagnostic Radiology procedures include the following *specific elements*.

### For Professional Component P

- **A.** Providing clinical supervision, including approving, modifying and/or intervening in the performance of the procedure where appropriate, and quality control of all elements of the *technical component* of the procedure.
- **B.** Performance of any clinical procedure associated with the diagnostic procedure which is not separately billable (e.g. injections which are an integral part of the study) and of any fluoroscopy.
- **C.** Where appropriate, post-procedure monitoring, including intervening except where this constitutes a separately billable service.
- **D.** Interpreting the results of the diagnostic procedure.
- **E.** Providing premises for any aspect(s) of A and D that is (are) performed at a place other than the place in which the procedure is performed.

If the physician claiming the fee for the service is personally unable to perform elements A, B and C, these may be delegated to another physician who must personally perform the service. Element D must be personally performed by the physician who claims for the service.

### For Technical Component H

- A. Preparing the patient for the procedure.
- B. Performing the diagnostic procedure or assisting in the performance of fluoroscopy.
- C. Making arrangements for any appropriate follow-up care.
- **D.** Providing records of the results of the procedure to the interpreting physician.
- **E.** Discussion with, and providing information and advice to, the patient or patient's representative, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service.
- **F.** Preparing and transmitting a written, signed and dated interpretive report of the procedure to the referring provider.
- **G.** Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for all *specific elements* of the technical and *professional component*s except for the premises for any aspect(s) of A and D of the *professional component* that is (are) not performed at the place in which the procedure is performed.

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#### OTHER TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

- 1. *Professional and technical components* are claimed separately. Claims for *technical component* H are submitted using the listed fee code with suffix B. Claims for *professional component* P are submitted using the listed fee code with suffix C.
- 2. For services rendered outside a hospital setting the only fees billable under the Health Insurance Act are listed under the column P (use suffix C). Costs for the technical component of these services are only claimed under the Integrated Community Health Services Centres Act, 2023. Costs for the technical component of services rendered in an ICHSC are listed in the Schedule of Facility Costs.
- **3.** Benefits for clinical procedures related to x-ray examinations are listed in the following section, or under Diagnostic and Therapeutic or Surgical Procedures. 'Clinical Procedures', in this context, are those by which contrast media are introduced, except oral or rectal administration for study of the alimentary tract, and intravenous injections, which are an integral part of the study, performed by the physician collecting the benefit for the procedure.
- 4. If less than the minimum number of views are performed, reduce listed fees by 25%.
- 5. If insured diagnostic radiology procedures yield abnormal findings or if they would yield information which in the opinion of the radiologist would be insufficient governed by the needs of the patient and the requirements of the referring provider or practitioner, the radiologist may add further views and claim for them (if listed).
- **6.** All benefits listed apply to unilateral examinations unless otherwise specified. When a radiologist is asked to x-ray one extremity only, no additional claim should be made for comparison x-rays initiated by the radiologist.
- 7. A stereo pair is to be counted as two views.
- 8. No additional claim is warranted for the use of the image intensifier in diagnostic radiology.
- 9. Complex head CT scans are meant to be multiplanar (multidirectional) head CT scans to include one or more of the following areas: pituitary fossa, posterior fossa, internal auditory meati, orbits and related structures, the temporal bone and its contents and the temporomandibular joints. X400, X401 and X188 are not to be billed in addition to those fees for complex head studies.
- **10.**Nasal bones or accessory nasal sinuses should not be routinely claimed in skull examination requests.
- **11.** Mandible X006 and Temporomandibular joints X007 are not both to be routinely claimed on the same patient but only when specifically ordered.
- 12. Conventional films of the spine should not be routinely done and claimed for before myelography. The necessity of having plain film studies of the spine prior to interpreting the myelographic studies is obvious. It is not essential, however, that these be done at the institution where the myelogram was done. If they have been done at an outside office, then it is a matter for the radiologist and the referring provider to have the films available. If they cannot be made available to the radiologist, it is an acceptable practice for him to do the required procedure of these areas and to claim for them so that they may be available for interpretation along with the myelographic study.
- **13.**Lumbar or lumbosacral spine X028 does not include the entire sacrum. An x-ray of the sacrum may be carried out and claimed for only when specifically indicated.

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- **14.** Three or more views of the chest should not be done routinely and claimed when a chest examination is requested.
- 15. Chest studies should not be routinely done and claimed in mammography cases.
- **16.** Fluoroscopy claims should not be submitted for any examination performed by the radiologist where fluoroscopy is generally regarded as an integral part of the examinations e.g. examinations of the GI tract, urinary tract, and special procedures.
- **17.** 'Colon air contrast' may be claimed when performed according to generally accepted criteria. The colon should be scrupulously prepared. Five to eight full size views of the abdomen should be obtained after fluoroscopically controlled introduction of air and barium.
- **18.** 'Oesophagus, stomach and duodenum double contrast' presupposes the introduction of gas, the use of antifoam agent and a suitable barium mixture.
- **19.** 'Pharynx and oesophagus cine or videotape' (X106) should not be claimed routinely with X108 and X109 but only when specifically indicated.
- **20.** Abdomen and chest studies should not be routinely done and claimed in gastrointestinal examinations.
- **21.** Abdomen and/or pelvis should not be routinely claimed in lumbar spine examination requests.
- 22. A survey film of the abdomen is a single view. The ordering of additional films should be left to the discretion of the radiologist who should have the power to determine what examination is adequate for a specific patient. Obviously, if progress of a long tube is being followed, a survey film is sufficient. If, however, an intestinal obstruction is being followed, a single film is usually inadequate.
- 23. No extra fee should be claimed for rapid sequence IVP.
- 24. Nephrotomography is covered by the listings for intravenous pyelogram and planigram.
- 25. Preoperative and Routine Chest X-rays
  - **a.** The technical and professional fee components for chest x-ray, X090, X091 and X092 are *not eligible for payment* in the routine preoperative preparation or screening of a patient for non-cardiac, non-thoracic surgery, unless there is a clinical indication requiring a chest x-ray other than solely for preoperative preparation or screening of the patient.

#### [Commentary:

Examples of indications could include but are not limited to:

- 1. suspected active airway or airspace disease
- 2.workup of shortness of breath
- 3.metastatic workup]
- b. The technical and professional fee components for chest x-ray, X090, X091 and X092 are only eligible for payment when rendered for a patient who has symptoms, signs or an indication supported by current clinical practice guidelines relevant to the individual patient's circumstances.

#### [Commentary:

Routine chest x-rays for screening or for admission to hospital without clinical indication are not payable.]

**26.** X-ray or CT studies of the lumbar spine should not be routinely ordered or rendered for low back pain without suspected or known pathology.

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### [Commentary:

Examples of suspected or known pathology include infection, tumour, osteoporosis, ankylosing spondylitis, fracture, inflammatory process, radicular syndrome, and cauda equina syndrome.]

HEAD AND NECK		
	Н	Р
Skull		
X001 - four views	29.90	13.25
X009 - five or more views	37.25	16.40
X003 Sella turcica (when skull not examined)	14.90	6.40
Facial bones		
X004 - three views	21.70	10.30
Nose		
X005 - two views	14.90	6.40
Mandible		
X006 - three views (unilateral or bilateral)	21.70	10.35
X012 - four or more views	29.90	13.25
X007 Temporomandibular joints - four views including open and closed mouth views	21.70	10.35
Mastoids		
- bilateral		
X010 - six views	28.65	14.25
X011 - Internal auditory meati (when skull not examined)	21.70	10.35
Note:		
Dental x-rays of the teeth are not an insured benefit.		
X016 Eye, for foreign body	14.85	9.05
X017 Eye, for localization, additional	15.30	20.40
X018 Optic foramina	16.85	9.05
X019 Salivary gland region	13.75	7.95
Neck for soft tissues		
X020 - two views	13.75	7.95

SPINE /	AND PELVIS		
		H	Р
Cor	vical spine		
X025	- two or three views	25.90	7.95
X202	- four or five views	33.40	10.75
X202	- six or more views	40.35	13.25
	pracic spine	~~~~	
X027	- two views	23.65	7.95
X204	- three or more	29.90	10.65
Lun	nbar or lumbosacral spine		
X028	- two or three views	25.90	7.95
X205	- four or five views	33.40	10.75
X206	- six or more views	40.35	13.35
Ent	ire spine (scoliosis series)		
X032	- four views	53.55	20.75
		00.00	20.10
	rthoroentgenogram (3 foot film)	04 70	10.15
X033	- single view	21.70	10.15
X031	- two or more views	29.70	13.35
Sac	rum and/or coccyx		
X034	- two views	23.95	6.40
X207	- three or more views	31.05	10.65
<b>S</b> 20	ro-iliac joints		
		04 70	10.25
X035 X208	- two or three views	21.70 28.95	10.35
7200	- four or more views	20.95	13.05
Pel	vis and/or hip(s)		
X036	- one view	14.90	6.40
X037	- two views (e.g. AP and frog view, both hips, or AP both hips		
	plus lateral one hip)	27.75	9.20
X038	- three or more views (e.g. pelvis and sacro-iliac joints, or AP		
	both hips plus lateral each hip)	31.90	10.35

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UPPER	EXTREMITIES	н	Р
Clas	vicle		
X045	- two views	14.90	6.40
X043 X209	- three or more views	22.90	8.90
	omioclavicular joints (bilateral) with or without weighted o		0.00
X046		21.70	10.35
X046 X210	- two views - three or more views	21.70	10.35
		29.00	13.05
	rnoclavicular joints (bilateral)		
X047	- two or three views	17.95	7.95
X211	- four or more views	25.60	10.90
Sho	oulder		
	- two views	17.95	7.95
X212	- three or more views	25.60	10.65
Sca	pula		
X049	- two views	17.95	7.95
X213	- three or more views	25.80	10.65
Hur	nerus including one joint		
X050	- two views	14.90	6.40
X214	- three or more views	22.75	9.30
Elb	w		
X051	- two views	14.90	6.40
X215	- three or four views	22.90	9.05
X216	- five or more views	30.85	11.65
For	earm including one joint		
X052	- two views	14.90	6.40
X217	- three or more views	22.90	9.05
Wri	st		
X053	- two or three views	14.90	6.40
X218	- four or more views	22.90	9.05
Har	ud		
X054	- two or three views	14.90	6.40
X004 X219	- four or more views	22.90	9.05
Wri	st and hand		
X055	- two or three views	21.70	13.05
X000 X220	- four or more views	27.65	15.70
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	ger or thumb		4 70
X056	- two views	11.50	4.70
X221	- three or more views	14.90	6.40

LOWE	REXTREMITIES		
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Hip	o (unilateral)		
X060	- two or more views	23.75	7.65
Fe	mur including one joint		
X063	- two views	14.90	6.40
X223	- three or more views	22.20	9.05
Kn	ee including patella		
X065	- two views	14.90	6.40
X224	- three or four views	22.90	9.05
X225	- five or more views	30.85	11.65
Tib	ia and fibula including one joint		
X066	- two views	14.90	6.40
X226	- three or more views	22.90	9.05
An	kle		
X067	- two or three views	14.90	6.40
X227	- four or more views	22.90	9.05
Ca	Icaneus		
X068	- two views	14.90	6.40
X228	- three or more views	22.90	9.05
Fo	ot		
X069	- two or three views	14.90	6.40
X229	- four or more views	22.90	9.05
То	9		
X072	- two views	11.50	4.70
X230	- three or more views	14.90	9.05
X064	Leg length studies (orthoroentgenogram)	21.70	10.35

SKELE	TAL SURVEYS		
		Н	Р
Ske	letal survey for bone age		
X057	- single film	14.90	6.40
X058	- two or more films or views	21.70	10.65
Other survey studies - e.g. rheumatoid, metabolic or metastatic			
X080	- single view	7.45	3.30
X081	- each additional film or view	7.45	3.30

CHEST AND ABDOMEN			
	H	Р	
Chest			
X090 - single view	14.90	6.35	
X091 - two views	21.90	10.70	
X092 - three or more views	28.15	12.40	
Note:			
Miniature chest film for survey purposes only is not an insured be	enefit.		
Ribs			
X039 - two or more views	17.95	7.85	
Sternum			
X040 - two or more views	17.95	7.85	
Thoracic inlet			
X096 - two or more views	14.90	6.40	
Abdomen			
X100 - single view	14.90	6.40	
X101 - two or more views	22.80	9.20	

GASTR	COINTESTINAL TRACT	н	Р
<b>Pa</b> X105	latopharyngeal analysis - cine or videotape	29.50	36.90
<b>Ph</b> X106	arynx and oesophagus	29.50	36.90
	- cine or videotape Oesophagus when X103, X104, X108 or X109 not claimed	29.50 26.70	21.40
	sophagus, stomach and duodenum		-
X108 X104 X103	- including survey film, if taken - double contrast, including survey film, if taken - double contrast, including survey film, if taken, and small	46.30 48.50	38.15 46.40
	bowel	60.95	58.40
X110	Hypotonic duodenogram	39.35	32.95
X109	Oesophagus, stomach and small bowel	59.10	49.80
Sm	nall bowel only		
X111	- when only examination performed during patient's visit	26.40	21.80
Co	lon		
X112 X113	<ul> <li>barium enema including survey film, if taken</li> <li>air contrast, primary or secondary, including survey films, if</li> </ul>	48.40	29.40
	taken	61.30	49.80
Ga	llbladder		
X114 X120	<ul> <li>one or multiple day examinations</li> <li>one or multiple day examinations with preliminary plain film</li> </ul>	29.95 39.80	11.60 11.60
X116 X117 X123	T-tube cholangiogram Operative cholangiogram Operative pancreatogram or ERCP	21.70 21.70 21.70	9.90 11.10 9.00

GENIT	OURINARY TRACT			
		Н	Ρ	
X129	Retrograde pyelogram, unilateral or bilateral	21.70	9.00	
X130	Intravenous pyelogram including preliminary film	49.65	22.75	
X137	Cystogram (catheter)	23.85	8.40	
X135	Cystourethrogram, stress or voiding (catheter)	27.50	13.80	
X131	Cystourethrogram (non-catheter)	5.75	4.75	
X191	Intestinal conduit examination or nephrostogram	21.70	9.00	
X138	Percutaneous antegrade pyelogram	21.70	9.00	
X139	Percutaneous nephrostogram	21.70	11.10	
X134	Retrograde urethrogram	17.95	6.80	
X136	Vasogram	17.95	6.80	
X141	Cavernosography	20.65	8.30	

OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY			
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X147 Hysterosalpingogram	29.80	11.35	

FLUOR	OSCOPY - BY PHYSICIAN WITH OR WITHOUT SPOT FILMS			
		Н	Ρ	
X195	Chest	9.25	14.20	
X196	Skeleton	9.25	14.20	
X197	Abdomen	9.25	14.20	
X189	Fluoroscopic control of clinical procedures done by another physician per ¼ hour	7.30	23.75	

SPECI/	AL EXAMINATIONS		
		Н	P
	dominal, thoracic, cervical or cranial angiogram by cathete	rization	
U	sing single films		
X179	- non-selective	29.60	15.85
X180	- selective (per vessel, to a maximum of 4)	38.95	31.35
U	sing film changer, cine or multiformat camera		
X181	- non-selective	59.65	30.90
X182	- selective (per vessel, to a maximum of 4)	79.30	37.45
X140	- selective (5 or more vessels)	317.35	185.60
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	rotid angiogram by direct puncture	40.00	04.00
X160	- unilateral	48.90	34.00
X161	- bilateral	78.60	69.65
Pe	ripheral angiogram		
X174	- unilateral	29.80	15.50
X175	- bilateral	39.35	30.90
X198	Splenoportogram	59.10	22.60
X199	Translumbar aortogram	59.10	22.60
Ve	rtebral angiogram - direct puncture or retrograde brachial i	niection	
X132	- unilateral	48.90	34.00
X133	- bilateral	79.90	51.05
V156	Arthrogram topogram or huroogram	26.25	27.50
X150 X200	Arthrogram, tenogram or bursogram - with fluoroscopy and complete positioning throughout by	20.25	27.50
7200	physician	36.70	45.55
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	onchogram		
X158	- unilateral	28.95	23.00
X159	- bilateral	38.40	34.60
X162	Cerebral stereotaxis	59.20	23.10
X122	Cholangiogram, percutaneous trans-hepatic	29.50	23.15
A121	Stereotactic core breast biopsy	-	83.15

### BONE MINERAL DENSITY (BMD) MEASUREMENT

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### Dual-energy X-ray Absorptiometry (DXA) - by axial technique only

### **Definition:**

For the purpose of second and subsequent testing,

### "high risk patient" means a patient:

- **1.** at risk for accelerated bone loss (in the absence of other risk factors, patient age is deemed not to place a patient at high risk for accelerated bone loss);
- 2. with osteopenia or osteoporosis on any previous BMD testing; or
- **3.**with bone loss in excess of 1% per year as demonstrated by previous BMD testing.

"low risk patient" means a patient who is not a high risk patient.

### Definition/Required elements of service:

BMD measurement by DXA is an insured service only when all the following conditions have been met:

1. the service is rendered for the prevention and management of osteoporosis or osteopenia;

2. when more than one site is measured, the sites include both hip and spine and where measurement of both hip and spine is not technically feasible the site measured consists of either hip or spine.

### [Commentary:

Measurement of hip and spine would be considered not technically feasible due to prosthesis or deformity.]

#### **Baseline test**

X145 X146	- one site - two or more sites	42.85 55.20	40.15 48.00
Sec	ond test - low risk patient		
X152	- one site	42.85	40.15
X153	- two or more sites	55.20	48.00
Sub	sequent test - low risk patient		
X142	- one site	42.85	40.15
X148	- two or more sites	55.20	48.00
Sub	osequent test - high risk patient		
X149	- one site	42.85	40.15
X155	- two or more sites	55.20	48.00
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### Payment rules:

1.Patients are limited to one baseline test (X145 or X146) in their lifetime.

- **2.**Second test low risk patient (X152/X153) is limited to a maximum of one test rendered not earlier than 36 *months* following the baseline test (X145/X146).
- **3.**Subsequent test low risk patient (X142/X148) is *not eligible for payment* when rendered earlier than 60 *month*s following the second or any subsequent test.

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**4.** Any combination of services described by X152 or X153 that were rendered to a patient between July 1, 2007 and April 1, 2008 for which claims were submitted and paid as insured services under the *Health Insurance Act* constitutes, a "second test – low risk patient" for the purpose of determining service maximums for a second or subsequent test - low risk patient, and is deemed to have been rendered on July 1, 2010.

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- **5.** Any service described by X152 or X153 rendered between April 1, 2008 and July 1, 2010 for which a claim was submitted and paid as an insured service under the *Health Insurance Act* constitutes a subsequent test low risk patient for the purpose of determining service maximums for second or subsequent test low risk patient and is deemed to have been rendered on July 1, 2010.
- **6.**Subsequent test high risk patients (X149/X155) is limited to a maximum of one test every 12 *month*s unless the ordering physician obtains written prior authorization from a *medical consultant*.

### [Commentary:

Authorization will be dependent on the ordering physician demonstrating that the test is generally accepted as necessary for the patient under the circumstances.]

### [Commentary:

- **1.**Baseline, second test and subsequent tests should be ordered only in accordance with current practice guidelines. In those situations where testing is ordered on a particular patient for reasons that vary from the guidelines, the ordering physician should ensure that the patient's medical record sufficiently explains the justification for the test in this particular case.
- 2. In the event a patient with a previous normal baseline test (X145/X146) or second test (X152/X153) or normal subsequent test low risk patient (X142/X148) meets any of the criteria listed for high risk patients as stated above, the patient would be eligible for subsequent test high risk patient services (X149/X155) subject to the restriction stated in payment rule #6.
- 3. The 2002 Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Management of Osteoporosis in Canada (reviewed in 2006) can be found at http://www.cmaj.ca/cgi/reprint/167/10\_suppl/ s1.pdf.
- **4.** Individuals under age 65 without one major or two minor risk factors typically do not benefit from BMD measurement.]

### **COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY (CT)**

		Н	Р
Неа	ad		
X400	- without IV contrast	-	43.25
X401	- with IV contrast	-	64.95
X188	- with and without IV contrast	-	75.85
E874	<ul> <li>with CT perfusion study, to X188, X400, X401, X402,</li> </ul>		
	X405, or X408 add		64.00

#### Note:

**1.**E874 is *only eligible for payment* when the study is rendered as part of the investigation of acute stroke and the interpretation is rendered within the limited period of time following acute stroke during which the treating physician must render therapeutic decisions.

- 2.E874 includes the administration of contrast necessary to complete the CT perfusion study.
- **3.**E874 includes creation and interpretation of post-imaging colour mapping of cerebral perfusion maps for regional cerebral blood flow, cerebral blood volume, and mean blood transit time.

### [Commentary:

For example, when a CT perfusion study is only performed in conjunction with a non-contrast CT head scan, the appropriate claim is E874 and the non-contrast CT head service (e.g. X400, X402). In this example, a claim for E874 with a contrast enhanced CT head service (e.g. X401, X405) would not be appropriate.]

### **Complex head**

X402 X405 X408	<ul> <li>without IV contrast</li> <li>with IV contrast</li> <li>with and without IV contrast</li> </ul>	- -	64.95 75.85 86.60
N	ote:		
Co	omplex head (see Diagnostic Radiology Preamble, paragraph 9).		
Nec	:k		
X403	- without IV contrast	-	86.60
X404	- with IV contrast	-	97.50
X124	- with and without IV contrast	-	108.30
Tho	prax		
X406	- without IV contrast	-	64.95
X407	- with IV contrast	-	75.85
X125	- with and without IV contrast	-	86.60

### **COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY (CT)**

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### Cardio-thoracic

Cardio-thoracic CT is an imaging service of the cardio-thoracic structures including cardiac gating and 3D imaging post-processing, cardiac structure and morphology and computed tomographic angiography of coronary arteries (including native and anomalous coronary arteries, coronary bypass grafts) and requires imaging without contrast material followed by contrast material(s).

X235 Cardio-thoracic ..... - 147.50

### Note:

- **1.** The service described by X235 includes the supervision of oral beta blockers and/or IV injection where clinically indicated.
- **2.**X235 is *only eligible for payment* when the service is performed using a minimum of a 64-detector CT scanner.
- 3.X235 is only eligible for payment when:
  - a.one or more of the following indications are present:
    - i. arterial and venous aneurysms;
    - ii. traumatic injuries of arteries and veins;
    - iii. arterial dissection and intramural hematoma;
    - iv. arterial thromboembolism;
    - v. vascular congenital anomalies and variants;
    - vi. percutaneous and surgical, vascular interventions;
    - vii.vascular infection, vasculitis, and collagen vascular disease;
    - viii.sequelae of ischemic coronary disease (i.e. myocardial scarring, ventricular aneurysms, thrombi);
    - ix. cardiac tumours and thrombi;
    - **x.** pericardial diseases;
    - **xi.** cardiac function evaluation, especially in patients in whom cardiac function may not be assessed by magnetic resonance imaging or echocardiography; or

b.conventional coronary angiography is technically infeasible, or contraindicated for:

- i. a clinically stable symptomatic patient with low to intermediate probability of obstructive coronary disease;
- **ii.** a clinically stable symptomatic patient who has planned surgery for valvular or structural heart disease;
- iii. a patient has low to intermediate probability of stent stenosis where the stent has a diameter > 3mm; or
- iv. a patient with suspected clinically relevant congenital coronary artery anomalies.

### Payment rules:

- 1.X417, X406, X407, and X125 are not eligible for payment with X235.
- 2.X235 includes all elements required to perform the study, including additional CT acquisition sequencing and/or post-processing, two or three dimensional reconstruction(s), and administration of contrast.

#### COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY (CT)

#### Medical record requirements:

X235 is *only eligible for payment* when the patient's permanent medical record includes all of the following:

- **1.**An interpretation is provided by a physician who must meet the current American College of Radiology's minimum training standards for thorax and cardiac CT imaging.
- **2.**A record of a detailed relevant patient history and demographics to determine the scan protocol is maintained.
- **3.**A diagnosis of the entire detailed field of view is provided including the lymph nodes, pleura, lungs, mediastinum, airways, bony thorax, spine and heart, and veins, arteries and other related anatomical structure.
- **4.**A quantitative evaluation of coronary calcium for risk stratification is documented when clinically appropriate.

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### **COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY (CT)**

### [Commentary:

- **1.**For services where the heart vasculature and structures are not being visualized for the indications above, CT thorax (X406, X407 and/or X125) may be payable instead of X235.
- 2. Examples where CT coronary angiography is not insured include:
  - **a.** for a patient with a high pre-test probability of obstructive coronary artery disease or ECG or cardiac enzyme evidence of an acute coronary syndrome;

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**b.**for purposes of screening, risk stratification, or calcium scoring in asymptomatic patients.

**3.** The maintenance of radiation dose should be consistent with the As Low As Responsibly Achievable principle and current standards under the direction of the radiologist Radiation Protection Officer.]

#### Abdomen

X409	- without IV contrast	-	86.60
X410	- with IV contrast	-	97.50
X126	- with and without IV contrast	-	108.30
Pel	vis		
X231	- without IV contrast	-	86.60
X232	- with IV contrast	-	97.50
X233	- with and without IV contrast	-	108.30
X234	CT colonography	-	235.30

#### Note:

**1.**X234 includes all elements required to perform the study, including additional CT acquisition sequencing and/or post processing, two or three dimensional reconstruction(s), administration of contrast, and faecal tagging, if rendered.

**2.**X417, X409, X410, X126, X231, X232, X233 are not eligible for payment with X234.

#### **Payment rules:**

**1.**CT colonography is an insured service only in the following circumstances:

- **a**.individuals who are at moderate risk for colorectal cancer based on family history and the patient refuses colonoscopy or where the patient has been advised of the relative risks and benefits of CT colonography and colonoscopy and the patient refuses colonoscopy;
- **b.**for surveillance examination in patients with a history of previous colonic neoplasm, where clinically appropriate;
- c.for diagnostic examination in symptomatic patients;

### [Commentary:

Examples of relevant symptomatology include unexplained abdominal pain, diarrhea, constipation, gastrointestinal bleeding, anemia, intestinal obstruction, or weight loss.]

- **1.**when rendered for a patient for whom colonoscopy is technically infeasible, has been difficult in the past, or contraindicated;
- **2.** for patients who are at increased risk for complications during endoscopy such as, advanced age, sedation or anti-coagulation therapy, prior incomplete or difficult colonoscopy;
- **3.**when double contrast barium enema services are unavailable or regarded as inadequate for clinical or diagnostic reasons.]

### **COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY (CT)**

- 2.CT colonography is only eligible for payment if:
  - **a**.the study is interpreted using standard 2D and 3D rendering consistent with current practice guidelines;
  - b.the study is performed on a minimum 16-detector CT scanner; and
  - c.the interpretation is provided by a physician who must meet minimum training standards.

#### Medical record requirements:

X234 is only eligible for payment when the reporting radiologist:

- **1.**documents a detailed relevant patient history and demographics to determine the scan protocol; and
- **2.** provides a diagnosis of the entire detailed field of view including colonic and extra-colonic structures.

### [Commentary:

- 1.CT colonography also refers to and includes "virtual colonoscopy".
- **2.** The maintenance of radiation dose should be consistent with the As Low As Responsibly Achievable principle and current standards under the direction of the radiologist Radiation Protection Officer.]

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COMP	JTED TOMOGRAPHY (CT)			
		Н	Р	
Ex	tremities (one or more)			
X412	- without IV contrast	-	43.25	
X413	- with IV contrast	-	64.95	
X127	- with and without IV contrast	-	75.85	
Sp	ine(s)			
X415	- without IV contrast	-	86.60	
X416	- with IV contrast	-	97.50	
X128	- with and without IV contrast	-	108.30	
X168	CT guidance of biopsy	-	42.50	
X417	Three dimensional CT acquisition sequencing, including post- processing (minimum of 60 slices; maximum 1 scan per patient per day)	-	32.70	

MISCELLANEOUS EXAMINATIONS		
	Н	Р
X151 Cordotomy, percutaneous	48.40	34.85
X163 Dacrocystogram	29.60	11.60
Discogram(s)		
X164 - one or more levels	28.95	23.00
X167 Fistula or sinus	21.50	11.45
X169 Laminogram, planigram, tomogram	39.90	11.35
X170 Laryngogram	28.95	23.00
X171 Lymphangiogram	49.00	23.05
X192 Mammary ductography	25.05	10.65
Mammogram - Signs or Symptoms		
[Commentary:		
For individuals with identified signs or symptoms or follow-up of	established	disease.]
Dedicated equipment		
X184 - unilateral	28.05	19.40
X185 - bilateral	37.15	31.00
Mammogram - No Signs or Symptoms		
[Commentary:		
Where the sole reason for the request for a mammogram is for a	n individual	with identified risk
factors in accordance with clinical practice guidelines.]		
Dedicated equipment		
X172 - unilateral	28.05	19.40
	28.05 37.15	19.40 31.00
X172 - unilateral X178 - bilateral		
X172 - unilateral		
<ul> <li>X172 - unilateral</li> <li>X178 - bilateral</li> <li>X194 Additional coned views with or without magnification (limit of</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>X172 - unilateral</li> <li>X178 - bilateral</li> <li>X194 Additional coned views with or without magnification (limit of two per breast) per</li> </ul>	37.15	31.00
<ul> <li>X172 - unilateral</li> <li>X178 - bilateral</li> <li>X194 Additional coned views with or without magnification (limit of two per breast) per film</li> </ul>	37.15 5.95	31.00 5.20
<ul> <li>X172 - unilateral</li> <li>X178 - bilateral</li> <li>X194 Additional coned views with or without magnification (limit of two per breast) per film</li> <li>X201 Breast biopsy specimen x-ray, per specimen</li> </ul>	37.15 5.95 5.95	31.00 5.20 5.20
<ul> <li>X172 - unilateral</li> <li>X178 - bilateral</li> <li>X194 Additional coned views with or without magnification (limit of two per breast) per film</li> <li>X201 Breast biopsy specimen x-ray, per specimen</li> <li>X150 Mechanical evaluation of knee</li> </ul>	37.15 5.95 5.95 25.45	31.00 5.20 5.20 15.85
<ul> <li>X172 - unilateral</li> <li>X178 - bilateral</li> <li>X194 Additional coned views with or without magnification (limit of two per breast) per film</li> <li>X201 Breast biopsy specimen x-ray, per specimen</li> <li>X150 Mechanical evaluation of knee</li></ul>	37.15 5.95 5.95 25.45 14.50	31.00 5.20 5.20 15.85 11.60
<ul> <li>X172 - unilateral</li> <li>X178 - bilateral</li> <li>X194 Additional coned views with or without magnification (limit of two per breast) per film</li> <li>X201 Breast biopsy specimen x-ray, per specimen</li> <li>X150 Mechanical evaluation of knee</li> <li>X193 Microradioscopy of the hands</li> <li>X173 Myelogram - spine and/or posterior fossa</li> </ul>	37.15 5.95 5.95 25.45 14.50 34.95	31.00 5.20 5.20 15.85 11.60 27.30
<ul> <li>X172 - unilateral</li> <li>X178 - bilateral</li> <li>X194 Additional coned views with or without magnification (limit of two per breast) per film</li> <li>X201 Breast biopsy specimen x-ray, per specimen</li> <li>X150 Mechanical evaluation of knee</li> <li>X193 Microradioscopy of the hands</li> <li>X173 Myelogram - spine and/or posterior fossa</li> <li>X190 Pantomography</li> </ul>	37.15 5.95 5.95 25.45 14.50 34.95 17.75	31.00 5.20 5.20 15.85 11.60 27.30 6.90
<ul> <li>X172 - unilateral</li> <li>X178 - bilateral</li> <li>X194 Additional coned views with or without magnification (limit of two per breast) per film</li> <li>X201 Breast biopsy specimen x-ray, per specimen</li> <li>X150 Mechanical evaluation of knee</li> <li>X193 Microradioscopy of the hands</li> <li>X173 Myelogram - spine and/or posterior fossa</li> <li>X190 Pantomography</li> <li>X165 Photographic subtraction</li> <li>X176 Sialogram</li> </ul>	37.15 5.95 5.95 25.45 14.50 34.95 17.75	31.00 5.20 5.20 15.85 11.60 27.30 6.90 4.70
<ul> <li>X172 - unilateral</li> <li>X178 - bilateral</li> <li>X194 Additional coned views with or without magnification (limit of two per breast) per film</li> <li>X201 Breast biopsy specimen x-ray, per specimen</li> <li>X150 Mechanical evaluation of knee</li> <li>X193 Microradioscopy of the hands</li> <li>X173 Myelogram - spine and/or posterior fossa</li> <li>X190 Pantomography</li> <li>X154 Penis</li> <li>X165 Photographic subtraction</li> </ul>	37.15 5.95 5.95 25.45 14.50 34.95 17.75 15.95 -	31.00 5.20 5.20 15.85 11.60 27.30 6.90 4.70 11.35
<ul> <li>X172 - unilateral</li> <li>X178 - bilateral</li> <li>X194 Additional coned views with or without magnification (limit of two per breast) per film</li> <li>X201 Breast biopsy specimen x-ray, per specimen</li> <li>X150 Mechanical evaluation of knee</li> <li>X193 Microradioscopy of the hands</li> <li>X173 Myelogram - spine and/or posterior fossa</li> <li>X190 Pantomography</li> <li>X165 Photographic subtraction</li> <li>X176 Sialogram</li> </ul>	37.15 5.95 5.95 25.45 14.50 34.95 17.75 15.95 - 29.80	31.00 5.20 5.20 15.85 11.60 27.30 6.90 4.70 11.35 11.35
<ul> <li>X172 - unilateral</li></ul>	37.15 5.95 5.95 25.45 14.50 34.95 17.75 15.95 - 29.80 15.60	31.00 5.20 5.20 15.85 11.60 27.30 6.90 4.70 11.35 11.35 9.20
<ul> <li>X172 - unilateral</li></ul>	37.15 5.95 5.95 25.45 14.50 34.95 17.75 15.95 - 29.80 15.60	31.00 5.20 5.20 15.85 11.60 27.30 6.90 4.70 11.35 11.35 9.20

X166 does not apply to the use of a portable machine in a hospital. Can only be claimed once per day regardless of the number of people x-rayed in the same "*home*" including "nursing *home*". The facility cost for X166 is listed in the Schedule of Facility Costs for *ICHSCs*.

### PREAMBLE

### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

In addition to the *common elements*, Clinical Procedures Associated with Diagnostic Radiological Examinations include the following *specific elements*.

- A. Supervising the preparation of and/or preparing the patient for the procedure(s).
- **B.** Performing the procedure(s) including the introduction of any contrast media and carrying out all appropriate recovery room procedures including transfer of the patient to the recovery room, ongoing monitoring and detention during the immediate post-procedure and recovery period.
- **C.** Making arrangements for any related assessments or procedures, including obtaining any specimens from the patient and interpretation of any results where appropriate.
- **D.** Where indicated, making or supervising the making of arrangements for follow-up care, and post-procedure monitoring of the patient's condition, including intervening, until the next insured service.
- **E.** Discussion with, providing any advice and information and prescribing therapy to the patient or the *patient's representative*, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service.
- F. Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for the specific element
  - a. For services not identified with prefix # for all elements.
  - **b.** For services identified with prefix # for any aspect(s) of A, C, D and E that is(are) performed in a place other than the place in which the procedure is performed.

Radiological services may be claimed in addition. See Diagnostic Radiology for the appropriate fees.

ANGIOGRAPHY		
ANGIOGRAPHI	Spec	Anae
Note:	opeo	Ande
For cardiac catheterization procedures, see the Diagnostic and Therap section of the <i>Schedule</i> .	eutic Procedure	S
By catheterization - abdominal, thoracic, cervical or cranial		
# J021 - insertion of catheter (including cut down, if necessary) and		
injection, if given	121.40	6
# J022 - selective catheterization - add to catheter insertion fee (per vessel, to maximum of 4)each	60.15	
Payment rules:		_
J021 and J022 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> in addition to cardiac cathe (Z439 to G288).	terization proced	lures
# J014 - selective catheterization for spinal and parathyroid		
angiography ("Selective" means manipulation of the		
catheter from the vessel of introduction into a branch tributary or cardiac chamber with angiogram(s)) add to		
tributary, or cardiac chamber with angiogram(s)) - add to catheter insertion fee	38.05	
# J056 - transcatheter fibrinolytic therapy	670.55	7
[Commentary: 1.For Extracranial approach to include balloon catheter techniques see	a NI107 in Neurol	ogical
Surgical Procedures.		ogical
<b>2.</b> For Carotid-cavernous fistula; extracranial approach to include ballo	on catheter techr	niques
see N118 in Neurological Surgical Procedures.]		
# J058 Vascular stenting	101.55	6
Note:	101.00	0
J058 claimed same patient same <i>day</i> as G298 is payable at nil.		
# J066 Renal angioplasty	504.40	6
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Carotid angiogram	90.00	c
<ul> <li># J031 - direct puncture</li> <li># J025 Transluminal angioplasty including angiography (if anatomy is</li> </ul>	89.90	6
known), with or without pressure measurements - one or		
more site(s) or vessel(s)	398.15	6
Note:		
1. If anatomy unknown at time of procedure, claim J021 and/or J022 at	50%. For simult	aneous
bilateral punctures and ang <i>iop</i> lasties, the amount payable for the sec reduced by 50%.	cond ang <i>iop</i> lasty	/ is
<ol><li>J021 &amp; J022 may not be claimed with J025 if anatomy is known.</li></ol>		
# J067 Spinal angiography for AV malformation, per vessel, maximum		
of 12 vessels per side	44.00	6
# J048 Percutaneous trans-hepatic catheter portal venography	311.05	6
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ANGIO	GRAPHY		
		Spec	Anae
Ре	ripheral arteriogram		
# J027	- direct puncture	76.55	6
Ре	ripheral venogram		
# J026	- direct puncture	70.80	6
# J033	Splenoportogram	128.35	6
# J034	Trans-lumbar aortogram	89.90	6
Ve	rtebral angiogram		
# J032	<ul> <li>direct puncture or by retrograde brachial injection</li> </ul>	111.50	6
En	bolization (e.g. for treatment of haemangioma or renal carcinoma)		
# J040	- first vessel, claim appropriate angiographic procedural and		
# J047	radiological fees plus - each additional vessel catheterized and occluded per	121.25	
# 3047	vessel	56.80	
# J023	5 5 5		
	haemorrhage - claim appropriate angiographic procedural and radiological fees plus a per diem supervision fee of	34.00	
# J035	Pressure measurements during angiography	34.00	

MISCE	LLANEOUS PROCEDURES	<u>Choo</u>	<b>A</b> 1000
		Spec	Anae
# J001	Arthrogram, tenogram or bursogram	34.00	7
	lote:		
E	Siliary duct calculus manipulation etc. (see Z562 listed in Digestiv	ve System - Biliary Tra	act.)
Br	onchial brushing		
# J024	- unilateral	89.90	6
# J044	- bilateral	135.00	6
Br	onchogram		
# J002	- unilateral	27.00	6
# J043	- bilateral	40.65	6
Br	onchogram with intra-tracheal catheter		
# J003	- unilateral	68.00	6
# J042	- bilateral	82.20	6
Са	rotid or vertebral artery occlusion by detachable balloon		
# J050	- percutaneous	297.30	
# J053	Cavernosography	45.35	
# J005	Dacrocystogram	45.40	6
Dis	scogram		
# J006	- one disc	105.30	7
# J030	- each additional discadd	54.05	
En	bolization of spinal arteriovenous malformation		
# J049	- percutaneous	437.30	6
# J036	Fistula or sinus injection	26.95	
# J068	Hydrostatic/pneumatic reduction of intussusception	44.25	7
# J008	Hysterosalpingogram	56.70	6
# J004	Intramammary needling for localization under mammographic		
	control	70.35	
# J009	Laryngogram	33.50	

MISCE	LLANEOUS PROCEDURES		
		Spec	Anae
<b>Ly</b> # J010	mphangiogram - per side	105.30	
# J037	Mammary ductography	70.35	
# J011 # J038	Myelogram - with supine views requiring removal and re-introduction of	93.40	6
# J020	spinal needleadd - with posterior fossa viewsadd	21.75 23.85	
# J012 # J060	Nephrotomogram Nephrostogram	- 34.00	6
# J045 # J055 # J061 # J062 # J063	Percutaneous antegrade pyelogram Percutaneous gastrostomy Percutaneous cecostomy Percutaneous cholecystostomy Percutaneous jejunostomy	140.55 257.60 257.60 257.60 298.80	6
# J064 # J046 # J041	<ul> <li>Exchange of drainage tubes, including supervision, imaging and hard copy film interpretation if any</li> <li>Percutaneous nephrostomy</li> <li>Percutaneous removal of intravascular and intraureteric foreign bodies</li> </ul>	72.65 257.60 339.90	6 IC
# J065 # J059 # J069	Dilation of non-vascular structures Non-vascular stenting Percutaneous focal thermal ablation of solid tumours using CT or ultrasound guidance	23.60 116.90 515.70	6
	<b>Payment rules:</b> .J069 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> for focal thermal ablation of solid to meeting clinical criteria consistent with current clinical practice guid	elines	5
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**2.** J069 includes any image guidance, when rendered, by any physician. Obtaining and interpreting any images in conjunction with J069 are *not eligible for payment* to any physician.

#### [Commentary:

Physicians should consult Ontario Health/Cancer Care Ontario's Focal Tumour Ablation in Ontario: Recommendations Report 2015 or subsequent guidelines to verify clinical indications for J069 <a href="https://www.cancercareontario.ca/en/guidelines-advice/types-of-cancer/48981">https://www.cancercareontario.ca/en/guidelines-advice/types-of-cancer/48981</a> ]

# J051	Percutaneous spinal cord puncture for syringogram	108.90	6
# J013	Percutaneous trans-hepatic cholangiogram	121.25	6
# J057	Transjugular intrahepatic portosystemic shunt (TIPS)	906.45	7
# J052	Positive contrast cisternogram	99.90	6
Z597	Intracavitary/intratumoural injections	103.75	7
# 1020	Panal avet nuneture	140.40	6
# 1039	Renal cyst puncture	140.40	0
	Sialogram	52.25	6

MISCELLANEOUS PROCEDURES				
		Spec	Anae	
# J028	Urethrogram and/or urethrocystogram and/or or intestinal			
	conduit examination, cystogram	34.00		
# J029	Vasogram	69.00	6	

#### Note:

Intubation of small intestine (see Z540 listed in Digestive System - Intestines (except rectum)).

#### PREAMBLE

### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

In addition to the *common elements*, the *professional component* of MRI procedures includes the following *specific elements*.

### For Professional Component P

- **A.** Providing clinical supervision, including approving, modifying and/or intervening in the performance of the procedure where appropriate, and quality control of all elements of the *technical component* of the procedure.
- **B**. Performance of any clinical procedure associated with the diagnostic procedure which is not separately billable (e.g. injections which are an integral part of the study).
- c. Where appropriate, post-procedure monitoring, including intervening except where this constitutes a separately billable service.
- **D**. Interpreting the results of the diagnostic procedure.
- E. Providing premises for any aspect(s) of A and D that is(are) performed at a place other than the place in which the procedure is performed.

If the physician claiming the fee for the service is personally unable to perform elements A, B and C, these may be delegated to another physician, who must personally perform the service.

Element D must be personally performed by the physician who claims for the service.

#### OTHER TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

MRI studies of the lumbar spine should not be routinely ordered or rendered for low back pain without suspected or known pathology.

#### [Commentary:

Examples of suspected or known pathology include infection, tumour, osteoporosis, ankylosing spondylitis, fracture, inflammatory process, radicular syndrome, and cauda equina syndrome.]

# MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI)

	Р
Head	
X421 - multislice sequence	73.35
E875 - with magnetic resonance spectroscopy, to X421 add	19.40
X425 - repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - to a	10.10
maximum of 2 repeats)	36.70
E876 - with magnetic resonance spectroscopy, to X425 add	9.70
Payment rules:	
E875 and E876 are limited to a maximum of one each per patien	t per day.
Neck	
X431 - multislice sequence	73.35
X435 - repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - to a	
maximum of 3 repeats)	36.70
Thorax	
	72.25
X441 - multislice sequence	73.35
X445 - repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - to a maximum of 3 repeats)	36.70
	30.70
Abdomen	
X451 - multislice sequence	73.35
X455 - repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - to a	
maximum of 3 repeats)	36.70
<b>Payment rules:</b> X451/X455 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> when used as guidance f	for organ biopsy.
X480 MRI guidance of biopsy or lesion ablation, breast, unilateral .	285.00
X481 MRI guidance of biopsy or lesion ablation, internal organ	285.00
<b>Note:</b> X480 and X481 are <i>only eligible for payment</i> when a lesion can o the use of another image guidance modality is not technically fea	
[Commentary: 1. X487 and/or X499 may be eligible for payment in addition to X4	480 or X481.
<ol> <li>Biopsy fee codes specific to the breast or internal organ may be addition to X480 or X481.]</li> </ol>	e eligible for payment in
Breast - unilateral or bilateral	
X446 - multislice sequence	73.35
X447 - repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - to a maximum of 3 repeats)	36.70
<b>Payment rules:</b> 1. X446/X447 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> when used as guidance	e for breast biopsy.
2. X441/X445 thorax MRI is <i>not eligible for payment</i> same day, sa	
<b>Note:</b> Breast MRI is not an insured service for routine screening of an a	average risk individual.

## **MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI)**

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Pelvis	
X461 - multislice sequence	73.35
X465 - repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - to a	~~ ~~
maximum of 3 repeats)	36.70
Extremity or joint(s)	
X471 - multislice sequence, one extremity and/or one joint	62.80
X475 - repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - to a	- <i>i</i> - <i>i</i> -
maximum of 3 repeats)	
X488 - multislice sequence, two or more extremities, and/or two o more joints same extremity	
X489 - repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - to a	100.00
maximum of 3 repeats)	54.35
Note:	

1. X488 and X489 require imaging of two extremities or two or more joints in the same extremity during the same examination at one sitting.

- 2. X488 and X489 requires separate surface coil, separate imaging sequence, separate filming and separate post-processing for each joint examined.
- **3**. For the purposes of X471, X475, X488 and X489, the following are considered eligible joints: shoulder, elbow, wrist, hip, knee and ankle.

### [Commentary:

When weight-bearing x-rays demonstrate osteoarthritis and symptoms are suggestive of osteoarthritis, knee MRI scans are not recommended by the Canadian Orthopaedic Association, the Canadian Arthroplasty Society and the Arthroscopy Association of Canada as this investigation rarely adds useful information to guide diagnosis or treatment. https://choosingwiselycanada.org/orthopaedics/]

### Limited spine (one segment)

X490	- multislice sequence	59.50
X492	<ul> <li>repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - maximum of 3 repeats)</li> </ul>	29.85
Inte	rmediate spine (2 adjoining segments)	
X493	- multislice sequence	68.45
X495	- repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - maximum	
	of 3 repeats)	34.15
Cor	nplex spine (2 or more non-adjoining segments)	
X496	- multislice sequence	101.65
X498	- repeat (another plane, different pulse sequence - maximum	
	of 3 repeats)	50.65
X486	<ul> <li>when cardiac gating is performed (must include application of chest electrodes and ECG interpretation) add 30%</li> </ul>	
X487	- when gadolinium is usedadd	36.65

# **MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI)**

X499	Three Dimensional MRI acquisition sequence, including post-	
	processing (minimum of 60 slices; maximum 1 per patient	
	per day)	32.70

### PREAMBLE

### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

Diagnostic Ultrasound procedures are divided into a *professional component* listed in the columns headed with a "P", and a *technical component* listed in the column headed with an "H". The *technical component* of the procedures subject to the conditions stated under "Diagnostic Services Rendered at a Hospital" on page GP11, is *eligible for payment* only if the service is:

- a. rendered at a hospital; or
- **b.** rendered at an off-site premise operated by a hospital corporation that has received approval under section 4 of the *Public Hospitals Act*.

In addition to the *common elements*, the components of Diagnostic Ultrasound procedures include the following *specific elements*.

### **For Professional Component**

- **A.** Providing clinical supervision, including approving, modifying and/or intervening in the performance of the procedure where appropriate.
- **B.** Performance of any clinical procedure associated with the diagnostic procedure which is not separately billable.
- **C.** Where appropriate, post-procedure monitoring, including intervening except where this constitutes a separately billable service.
- **D.** Interpreting the results of the diagnostic procedure.
- **E.** Providing premises for any aspect of D that is performed at a place other than the place in which the procedure is performed.

#### Note:

- **1.**Element D must be personally performed by the physician who claims for the service.
- **2.** If the physician claiming the fee for the service is personally unable to perform elements A, B and C, these may be delegated to another physician.
- **3.** Where the only component provided is interpreting the results of the diagnostic procedure, the *specific elements* A and C listed for the *professional component* are included in the *specific elements* of the technical component.

#### For Technical Component H

- **A.** Preparing the patient for the procedure.
- **B.** Performing the diagnostic procedure(s).
- C. Making arrangements for any appropriate follow-up care.
- **D.** Providing records of the results of the procedure to the interpreting physician.
- **E.** Discussion with, and providing information and advice to, the patient or *patient's representative*, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service.
- **F.** Preparing and transmitting a written, signed and dated interpretative report of the procedure to the referring provider.
- **G.** Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for all *specific elements* of the technical and *professional component* secept for the premises for any aspect of D of the *professional component* that is(are) not performed at the place in which the procedure is performed.

#### PREAMBLE

#### OTHER TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

- 1. Professional and technical components are claimed separately. Claims for the technical component H are submitted using listed fee code with suffix B. Claims for professional component are submitted using listed fee code with suffix C. (e.g. J102C)
- 2. For services rendered outside a hospital setting the only fees billable under the *Health Insurance Act* are listed under the column P (use suffix C). Costs for the *technical component* of these services are only billable under the *Integrated Community Health Services Centres Act*, 2023 and are listed in the Schedule of Facility Costs.
- **3.** A-Mode implies a one-dimensional ultrasonic measurement procedure.
- **4.** M-Mode implies a one-dimensional ultrasonic measurement procedure with movement of the trace to record amplitude and velocity of moving echo-producing structures.
- **5.** Scan B-Mode implies a two-dimensional ultrasonic scanning procedure with a two-dimensional display. All ultrasound examinations include a permanent record and interpretative report.
- 6. If insured diagnostic ultrasound procedures yield abnormal findings or if they would yield information which in the opinion of the interpreting physician would be insufficient governed by the needs of the patient and the requirements of the referring provider or practitioner, the interpreting physician may add further views and claim for them (if listed).
- 7. All benefits listed apply to unilateral examinations unless otherwise specified. When imaging of only one anatomical area is requested, comparison ultrasound(s) initiated by the interpreting physician or facility are not eligible for payment.

#### [Commentary:

Ultrasound services are not insured when rendered to support in-vitro fertilization services or artificial insemination services. See Regulation 552 section 24(1) paragraph 23 and 29 under the *Act*.]

HEAD A	AND NECK		
		Н	Р
Bra			
J122	- complete, B-mode	47.20	23.70
Ecł	nography - ophthalmic (excluding vascular study)		
J102	- quantitative, A-mode	22.40	28.50
J103	- B-scan immersion	43.95	38.05
J107	- B-scan contact	21.75	18.85
J108	- biometry (Axial length - A-mode)	22.80	19.70
Fac	e and/or neck		
J105	- excluding vascular study	47.30	23.70
N	ote:		

J105 is *not eligible for payment* when rendered for ultrasound imaging of the sinus(es).

THORAX, ABDOMEN AND RETROPERITONEUM			
	Н	Ρ	
Thorax			
J125 Chest masses, pleural effusion - A & B-mode	48.75	24.55	
Note: Heart - Echocardiography - see listings in Diagnostic and Therap Abdomen and Retroperitoneum	eutic Proce	dures.	
Abdominal scan			
J135 - complete	48.75	26.45	
J128 - limited study (e.g. gallbladder only, aorta only or follow-up study)	32.10	17.55	

DDEON			
PREGN	ANCY		_
		Н	Р
Cor	nplete		
J159	<ul> <li>on or after 16 weeks gestation (maximum one per normal pregnancy)</li> </ul>	48.75	33.80
J160	- for high risk pregnancy or complications of pregnancy	48.75	32.25
J166	- multiple gestation, for each additional fetus, to J160 add	41.45	22.10
Ges	stational age for Maternal Serum Screening Program		
J157	<ul> <li>before 16 weeks gestation (maximum one per normal pregnancy)</li> </ul>	32.10	17.55
Lim	ited		
J158	- for high risk pregnancy or complications of pregnancy	32.10	17.55
J167	<ul> <li>fetal Doppler evaluation of middle cerebral artery and/or ductus venosus, to J160 or J158 add</li> </ul>	32.10	30.00
	<b>ayment rules:</b> 67 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> when rendered by a physician fo	r assessme	ent of:
	<b>a.</b> fetal anemia, or		
	<b>b.</b> intrauterine growth retardation		
	i. with estimated fetal weight OR abdominal circumference percentile, or	e measurinç	g below the 10th
	<ul><li>ii. &gt;=30 percentile decrease in estimated fetal weight since</li><li>c. in high-risk pregnancies.</li></ul>	e previous	imaging, or
J168	- nuchal translucency for Prenatal Genetic Screening		
0100	(maximum one per pregnancy)	39.00	20.85
J169	- multiple gestation, for each additional fetus, to J168. add	33.15	16.35

### Payment rules:

Ultrasound services listed under the headings "Abdomen and Retroperitoneum" or "Pelvis" or "Pregnancy" rendered on the same day to the same patient by any physician as J168 are *not eligible for payment.* 

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Dal	lvis	Н	Ρ
162		48.75	26.55
138	Intracavitary ultrasound* (e.g. transrectal, transvaginal)	48.75	26.50
Ν	lote:		
	For ovulation induction purposes, the limit is one per cycle. Addi laimed as J164.	tional ultras	ounds may be
165	Transvaginal sonohysterography - may include saline or other intracavitary contrast media except Echovist for		
476	demonstration of tubal patency Transvaginal sonohysterography - including Echovist contrast	99.95	33.15
	media for demonstration of tubal patency	232.90	30.65
	l <b>ote:</b> 138 and J161 rendered in conjunction with J165 are insured ser	vices payat	ole at nil.
S	<b>Commentary:</b> see Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures section page J47 fo onohysterography, introduction of catheter <i>with or without</i> injecti	•	
163	- limited study - for other than pregnancy	32.10	17.55
Int	racavitary ultrasound		
161	- limited - for other than pregnancy	32.10	16.25
Ν	lote:		
1	For residual urine measurement by ultrasound (G900), see Dia Procedures, section J, Urology.	ignostic and	Therapeutic
2	Residual urine measurement by ultrasound (G900) is <i>not eligibl</i> with an ultrasound of the pelvis or intracavitary ultrasound.	e for payme	<i>nt</i> when rende
164	Follicle monitoring studies	24.40	12.30
[( [	<b>Commentary:</b> Iltrasound services are not insured when rendered to support in-		

artificial insemination services. See Regulation 552 section 24(1) paragraph 23 and 29 under the *Act*.]

VASCULAR SYSTEM	н	Р
Transcranial doppler assessment of intracranial circulation		~~~~
J189 Transcranial doppler assessment of intracranial circulation	-	23.65
J186 - assessment with power mode doppler		32.50
J187 - prolonged study requiring at least 50 minutes		32.50
J188 - follow-up study within 4 <i>week</i> s of J186 or J187 requiring at least 50 minutes		22.90
<b>Payment rules:</b> 1.J189 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> with J186, J187 or J188 same	patient sam	e day.
<b>2.</b> Only one of J186, J187 or J188 are payable same patient, sam	e physician	i, same day.
Extra-cranial vessel assessment - above the aortic arch Bilateral carotid and/or subclavian and/or vertebral arteries only J190 - doppler scan or B scan, includes frequency/spectral analysis, if rendered	42.65	17.10
J201 - duplex scan i.e. simultaneous real time, B-mode imaging and frequency/spectral analysis	55.05	24.65
Note: Only one of J190 or J201 is eligible for payment per patient per d <b>Peripheral vessel assessment</b> (distal to inguinal ligament or axilla), artery and/or vein evaluation Not to be billed routinely with J190.		nity.
J193 - doppler scan or B scan, includes frequency/spectral analysis, if rendered, unilateral	22.05	14.30
J202 - duplex scan i.e. simultaneous real time, B-mode imaging and frequency/spectral analysis, unilateral	28.50	16.60
<b>Note:</b> Only one of J193 or J202 is eligible for payment per extremity per	r patient pe	r day.
Venous assessment		
<ul> <li>J198 - bilateral - includes assessment of femoral, popliteal and posterior or tibial veins with appropriate functional manoeuvres and permanent record</li> <li>Note:</li> </ul>	7.40	9.90
Not to be claimed during surgery or during patient's post-operativ	e slay III IIC	opital.
Doppler evaluation of organ transplantation		
J205 - arterial and/or venous	22.05	14.20

VASCULAR SYSTEM		
	Н	Р
Duplex evaluation of portal hypertension		
J206 - must include doppler interrogation and documentation of superior mesenteric vein, splenic vein, portal veins, hepatic veins and hepatic arteries	22.05	14.20
Note:		
Not to be billed unless study specifically requested by referring pr	ovider.	
Duplex assessment of patency obstruction, and flow direction	of vascula	ar shunts
J207 - must include doppler interrogation and documentation of vascular shunts	22.05	14.20
Note:		

Not to be billed unless study specifically requested by referring provider.

	DIAGNOONIO DEINAGOONI		
VASCU	LAR LABORATORY FEES		
		Н	Ρ
Ank J200	<ul> <li>cle pressure measurements</li> <li>requires a minimum of 4 segmental pressure recordings and/or pulse volume recordings and/or Doppler recordings - unilateral or bilateral</li> </ul>	20.40	21.40
J196	- with exercise and/or quantitative measurements, to J200 add	8.00	10.10
	ote: G517 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> in addition to J200.		
2.	This service is <i>only eligible for payment</i> when the device used <sub>l</sub>	produces a	hard copy output.
Fo	<b>commentary:</b> or ankle pressure determination and ankle-arm index, see G517 agnostic & Therapeutic Procedures.]	′ under Ca	rdiovascular
Per	ile pressure recordings		
J197	- two or more pressures	6.85	7.80
Per	ile Doppler Evaluation		
J199	- doppler scan	6.85	7.80
	ote: enile Doppler is only insured for the following indications:		
1.	priapism;		
2.	trauma;		
	revascularization;		
	primary erectile dysfunction; or		
	failure of both oral and injectable therapy for erectile dysfunctio	n.	
	commentary: enile Doppler performed for other indications is not an insured s	ervice.]	
Tra	nscutaneous tissue		
J203	- oxygen tension measurements	24.10	5.50
J204	- when done in addition to Doppler studies	13.20	5.50

MISCELLANEOUS	н	Р	
Echography for placement of radiation therapy fields			
J180 - scan B-mode	35.15	18.90	
Extremities			
J182 - per limb (excluding vascular study)	25.50	14.95	
Breast			
J127 - scan B-mode (per breast)	23.70	13.10	
Scrotal			
J183 - scan	47.30	23.80	
Portable ultrasound			
<ul> <li>E475 - only eligible for payment when personally rendered by a specialist in diagnostic radiology (33) in an area of a hospital outside of the diagnostic imaging department</li> </ul>			
per unit	-	25.00	
Note:			
E475 is payable on a per unit basis. Unit means ¼ hour or major Preamble GP7, GP55 for definitions and time-keeping requireme	•	of - see Gene	ral

J290	- Spinal sonography	-	30.60
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### **ULTRASONIC GUIDANCE**

### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

In addition to the *common elements*, the components of Ultrasonic Guidance include the following *specific elements*.

#### For Professional Component P

- **A.** Providing clinical supervision and quality control of all elements of the *technical component* of the procedure.
- **B.** Providing ultrasonic guidance for the physician performing the associated procedure.
- **C.** Where appropriate, post-procedure monitoring, including intervening except where this constitutes a separately billable service.
- **D.** Discussion with, and providing information and advice to the patient or *patient's representative*, whether by telephone of otherwise, on matters related to the service.
- **E.** Providing premises for any aspect(s) of A and D that is(are) performed at a place other than the place in which the procedure is performed.

#### For Technical Component H

- **A.** Preparing the patient for the procedure.
- **B.** Assisting at the performance of the procedure.
- C. Making arrangements for follow-up care.
- **D.** Discussion with, and providing information and advice to the patient or *patient's representative*, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service.
- E. Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for all *specific elements* of the technical and *professional components* except for the premises for any aspect(s) of A and D of the *professional component* that is(are) not performed at the place in which the procedure is performed.

		Н	P	
J149	Ultrasonic guidance of biopsy, aspiration, amniocentesis or drainage procedures (one physician only)	47.30	36.85	

#### Note:

J138 and J161 performed during the same visit as J149 is an insured service payable at nil.

J151 Ultrasound compression of groin pseudoaneurysm, per 1/4 hour - 19.65

NOT ALLOCATED

## **PULMONARY FUNCTION STUDIES**

#### PREAMBLE

#### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

Pulmonary Function diagnostic procedures are divided into a *professional component* listed in the columns headed with a "P", and a *technical component* listed in the columns headed with an "H" or a "T". The *technical component* "H" of the procedures subject to the conditions stated under "Diagnostic Services Rendered at a Hospital" on page GP11, is *eligible for payment* only if the service is:

- a. rendered at a hospital; or
- **b.** rendered at an off-site premise operated by a hospital corporation that has received approval under section 4 of the *Public Hospitals Act*.

The *technical component* "T" of the procedure is *eligible for payment* for services rendered in a physician's office or a hospital with the latter subject to the conditions stated under "Diagnostic Services Rendered at a Hospital" and "Payment for Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services Rendered at a Hospital" on page GP11.

In addition to the *common elements*, the components of Pulmonary Function diagnostic procedures include the following *specific elements*.

#### For Professional Component P

- **A.** Providing clinical supervision, including approving, modifying and/or intervening in the performance of the procedure where appropriate, and quality control of all elements of the *technical component* of the procedure.
- **B.** Performance of any clinical procedure associated with the diagnostic procedure which is not separately billable.
- **C.** Where appropriate, post-procedure monitoring, including intervening except where this constitutes a separately billable service.
- **D.** Interpreting the results of the diagnostic procedure.
- **E.** Providing premises for any aspect(s) of A and D that is(are) performed at a place other than the place in which the procedure is performed.

If the physician claiming the fee for the service is personally unable to perform elements A, B and C, these may be delegated to another physician, who must personally perform the service.

Element D must be personally performed by the physician who claims for the service.

#### For Technical Component H and T

A. Preparing the patient for the procedure.

- B. Performing the diagnostic procedure
- C. Making arrangements for any appropriate follow-up care.
- **D.** Providing records of the results of the procedure to the interpreting physician.
- **E.** Discussion with, and providing information and advice to, the patient or *patient's representative*, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service.
- **F.** Preparing and transmitting a written, signed and dated interpretive report of the procedure to the referring provider.

## **PULMONARY FUNCTION STUDIES**

### PREAMBLE

**G.** Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for all *specific elements* of the technical and *professional component*s except for the premises for any aspect(s) of A and D of the *professional component* that is(are) not performed at the place in which the procedure is performed.

#### PREAMBLE

#### OTHER TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

- 1. *Professional and technical components* are claimed separately. Claims for *technical component* H are submitted using listed fee code with suffix B. Claims for *professional component* P are submitted using listed fee code with suffix C.
- 2. For services rendered outside a hospital setting (except for J301, J304, J324, and J327) the only fees billable under the *Health Insurance Act* are listed under the column P (use suffix C). Costs for the *technical component* of services rendered in an *ICHSC* are listed in the Schedule of Facility Costs.
- **3.** Each of the following tests designated by an individual code number is considered to be specific and requires individual ordering.
- **4.** Exercise assessment (J315, E450, E451, J316) requires a physician to be in attendance at all times.
- 5. The technical and professional fee components for pulmonary function studies are *not eligible for payment* in the routine preoperative preparation or screening of a patient for non-thoracic surgery unless required for respiratory diagnosis, anesthetic decision making or optimization of a patient's respiratory disease prior to surgery.

# **PULMONARY FUNCTION STUDIES**

	Т	Р	
Simple spirometry			
J301 Volume versus Time Study - must include Vital capacity, FEV <sub>1</sub> ,			
FEV <sub>1</sub> /FVC, and may include calculation of MMEFR(FEF25-			
75)	9.85	7.85	
J324 - repeat after bronchodilator	2.97	4.20	
Flow volume loop			
J304 Volume versus Flow Study - from which an expiratory limb, and inspiratory limb if indicated, are generated. A flow volume			
loop may include derivation of FEV <sub>1</sub> , VC, V <sub>50</sub> , V <sub>25</sub>	19.60	11.55	
J327 - repeat after bronchodilator	2.97	6.90	
Poyment rules			

## Payment rules:

1.J301 or J324 are not eligible for payment same patient same day as J304 or J327.

- **2.** J301, J324, J304 and J327 must represent the best of three recorded test results or the study is *not eligible for payment*.
- **3.** J301 and J324 must be performed with a permanent record including a written interpretation by the physician or the study is *not eligible for payment*.
- **4.** J304 and J327 are *only eligible for payment* for a study that meets all of the following requirements:
  - a. There is a permanent record that includes a written interpretation by the physician;
  - **b.** The permanent record includes constituent graph(s), tracing(s) and measurements with a scale on the tracing or graph of:
    - i. at least 5 mm per litre per second for flow; and
    - **ii.** 10 mm per litre for volume.
  - **c.** The *technical component* of the study complies with the *CPSO* Clinical Practice Parameters and Facility Standards for Diagnostic Spirometry and Flow Volume Loop Studies; and
  - **d.**The physician claiming the *professional component* must be able to demonstrate appropriate training in pulmonary function testing interpretation.

## [Commentary:

- **1.**For J304 and J327, a computer or automated interpretation in the absence of a documented physician interpretation, are not sufficient for payment purposes.
- 2. The CPSO Clinical Practice Parameters and Facility Standards for Diagnostic Spirometry and Flow Volume Loop Studies may be found at the following internet link: http://www.cpso.on.ca/uploadedFiles/policies/guidelines/facilities/Diagnostic%20Spirometry\_Apr08.pdf.
- **3.**Physicians should be prepared to provide to the ministry documentation demonstrating their training on request.]

# **PULMONARY FUNCTION STUDIES**

		H	Ρ
	nctional residual capacity		
J311	- by gas dilution method	16.30	18.90
J307	- by body plethysmography	17.50	19.20
	<b>lote:</b> 311 not to be claimed same patient same day as J307.		
J305	Lung compliance (pressure volume curve of the lung from TLC to FRC)	51.95	48.15
J306	Airways resistance by plethysmography or estimated using oesophageal catheter	16.20	17.25
J303	Extra pulmonary airways resistance by plethysmography	16.20	16.05
J340	Maximum inspiratory and expiratory pressures	2.81	3.43
J310	Carbon monoxide diffusing capacity by single breath method	21.40	19.40
J308	Carbon dioxide ventilatory response	19.90	14.60
Sta	age I		
J315 E450 E451	<ul> <li>Graded exercise to maximum tolerance (exercise must include continuous heart rate, oximetry and ventilation at rest and at each workload)</li> <li>J315 plus J301 or J304 before and/or after exercise. add</li> <li>J315 plus 12 lead E.C.G. done at rest, used for monitoring during the exercise and followed for at least 5 minutes post exercise</li></ul>	62.45 13.30 18.10	50.75 8.05 25.05
St	age II		
	Repeated steady state graded exercise (must include heart rate, oximetry, ventilation, VO <sub>2</sub> , VCO <sub>2</sub> , BP, ECG, end tidal and mixed Venous CO <sub>2</sub> at rest, 3 levels of exercise and recovery)	90.00	65.40
J330	Assessment of exercise induced asthma (workload sufficient to achieve heart rate 85% of predicted maximum; performance of J301 or J304 before exercise and 5-10 minutes post		
	exercise)	33.35	24.50
J319	Blood gas analysis - pH, $PO_2$ , $PCO_2$ , bicarbonate and base	44.05	
1210	excess	11.25 3.79	-
J318	Arterialized venous blood sample collection (e.g. ear lobe)	3.19	-
J320	A-a oxygen gradient requiring measurement of RQ by sampling mixed expired gas and using alveolar air equation	27.55	12.85
J331	Estimate of shunt (Qs/Qt) breathing pure oxygen	27.55	16.05
J313	Mixed venous PCO <sub>2</sub> , by the rebreathing method	11.25	4.70

# **PULMONARY FUNCTION STUDIES**

		Н	Ρ	
Oxy	/gen saturation			
J323	- by oximetry at rest, with or without O <sub>2</sub>	4.20	-	
J332	- by oximetry at rest and exercise, or during sleep with or			
	without O <sub>2</sub>	17.60	11.35	
J334	- J332 with at least two levels of supplemental O <sub>2</sub>	30.55	16.85	
J336	<ul> <li>with single blind assessment of exercise on room air and with supplemental oxygen</li> </ul>	30.55	16.85	

## Note:

- **1.**J323 is *not eligible for payment* when rendered with J332, J315, J316, G315, G319, G111, G112, G570, G571, G582, G583, G574, G575 or any overnight sleep study.
- **2.**J332 is *not eligible for payment* when rendered with J315, J316, G315, G319, G111, G112, G570, G571, G582, G583, G574, G575 or any overnight sleep study.
- **3.**J336 is *only eligible for payment* for evaluation of a patient to determine eligibility for funding under the Ontario *Home* Oxygen Program.
- 4.J336 is not payable in addition to J332 or J334.
- **5.**J301, J304, J324, or J327 are *not eligible for payment* when rendered to a patient who does not have symptoms, signs or an indication supported by current clinical practice guidelines relevant to the individual patient's circumstances.

# Medical record requirements:

J323, J332, J334 or J336 are *not eligible for payment* unless a permanent record of the study is maintained.

J322	Standard $O_2$ consumption and $CO_2$ production	5.30	6.45
J333	Non-specific bronchial provocative test (histamine,		
	methacholine, thermal challenge)	48.25	37.35
J335	Antigen challenge test	51.85	30.95
			Fee
Z459	Arterial puncture for blood gas analysis		10.20

## Note:

For home/self-care ventilation listing - see Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures page J50.

#### PREAMBLE

### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

The *specific elements* of some of the services listed in this section are identified at the relevant listing. These services include some that are defined in terms of either an assessment or series of assessments.

The *technical component* "T" of the service if rendered in a hospital is subject to the conditions stated under "Payment for Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services Rendered at a Hospital" on page GP11.

- **A.** Where the services are not identified with prefix #, the *specific elements* are those listed in the General Preamble GP15.
- B. Where the services are identified with prefix #, the *specific elements* are those listed in the General Preamble GP15 except for specific element H. In place of H includes providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for any aspect(s) of the *specific elements* that is (are) performed in a place other than the place in which the included procedures are performed.

R prefix and Z prefix codes in this section are subject to the provisions found in the Surgical Preamble.

The remaining services in this section of the *Schedule* are either non-invasive diagnostic procedures, invasive diagnostic procedures or therapeutic procedures, the *specific elements* for which are listed below.

### Non-Invasive Diagnostic Procedures (other than Laboratory Medicine)

Some non-invasive diagnostic procedures are divided into a *technical component* and a *professional component*. In addition to the *common elements*, the components of non-invasive diagnostic procedures include the following *specific elements*.

#### **For Professional Component**

- **A.** Providing clinical supervision, including approving, modifying and/or intervening in the performance of the procedure where appropriate.
- **B.** Performance of any clinical procedure associated with the diagnostic procedure which is not separately billable.
- **C.** Where appropriate, post-procedure monitoring, including intervening except where this constitutes a separately billable service.
- **D.** Interpreting the results of the diagnostic procedure.
- **E.** Providing premises for any aspect(s) of A and D that is(are) performed at a place other than the place in which the procedure is performed.

#### Note:

**1.**Element D must be personally performed by the physician who claims for the service.

- **2.** If the physician claiming the fee for the service is personally unable to perform elements A, B and C, these may be delegated to another physician.
- **3.** Where the only component provided is interpreting the results of the diagnostic procedure, the *specific elements* A and C listed for the *professional component* are included in the *specific elements* of the *technical component*.

#### PREAMBLE

### For Technical Component

- **A.** Preparing the patient for the procedure.
- **B.** Performing the diagnostic procedure(s).
- C. Making arrangements for any appropriate follow-up care.
- **D.** Preparing and providing records of the results of the procedure to the interpreting physician.
- **E.** Discussion with, and providing information and advice to, the patient or patient's representative, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service.
- **F.** Preparing and transmitting a written, signed and dated interpretative report of the procedure to the referring provider.
- **G.** Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for all *specific elements* of the *technical* and *professional components* except for the premises for any aspect(s) of A and D of the *professional component* that is(are) not performed at the place in which the procedure is performed.

Where non-invasive diagnostic procedures are not divided into *technical* and *professional components*, the *specific elements* of services are:

- 1. for services not identified with prefix #, the combination of the *specific elements* listed for the *professional component* and for the *technical component*.
- **2.** for services identified with prefix #, the combination of the *specific elements* listed for the *professional component* and *specific elements* A through E of the *technical component*.

#### PREAMBLE

# THERAPEUTIC AND INVASIVE DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES

In addition to the *common elements*, the components of these procedures include the following *specific elements*.

- **A.** Supervising the preparation of the patient and preparing the patient for the procedure(s).
- **B.** Performing the procedure(s), by any method, including ongoing monitoring and detention during the immediate post-procedure period.
- **C.** Where appropriate, interpreting the results of the procedure and providing written interpretative report to the referring provider.
- **D.** Making arrangements for any related assessments, procedures or therapy, including obtaining any specimens from the patient and interpretation of any results where appropriate.
- E. Where indicated, making or supervising the making of arrangements for follow-up care and postprocedure monitoring of the patient's condition, including intervening, until the next insured service is provided.
- **F.** Discussion with, and providing advice and information, including prescribing therapy to the patient or patient's representative, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service.
- G. Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for the specific elements
  - 1. for services not identified with prefix #, for all elements.
  - **2.** for services identified with prefix #, for any aspect(s) of A, B, D, E and F that is (are) performed in a place other than the place in which the procedure is performed.

## OTHER TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

Services listed in the Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures Section are eligible for payment in addition to a consultation or assessment except where they are specifically listed as included in consultation or assessment services. When a procedure(s) is the sole reason for a visit, add G700, the basic fee-per-visit premium for those procedures marked (+) regardless of the number of procedures carried out during that visit. However, G700 is *not eligible for payment* to a physician in situations where:

- **1.** a consultation or assessment is payable to the same physician for the same patient on the same day; and
- 2. that physician has a financial interest in the facility where the service is rendered.

#### Note:

**1.**G700 is *not eligible for payment* for a service provided in a hospital.

- 2.G700 is not eligible for payment when the service marked with (+) is not eligible for payment.
- **3.**G700 is payable at 15% of the listed fee when the service is rendered to a patient who has signed the Ministry's Patient Enrolment and Consent to Release Personal Health Information form and who is enrolled to a physician or group of physicians who are signatories to a Ministry alternate funding plan agreement paying physicians primarily by capitation rather than fee for service, applicable regardless of which physician of the group renders the service to the enrolled patient.

G700 Basic fee-per-visit premium for procedures marked(+) .....



# ALLERGY

Fee

### Note:

If a patient presents for an allergy injection and has an acute infectious condition, albeit of the respiratory system, or some other unrelated condition which would have otherwise required a separate office visit, the physician is entitled to claim the appropriate assessment fee as well as the injection fee. If a patient requires a brief assessment of his allergic condition as well as the allergy injection, the physician should claim the injection and the basic fee, in which case the *specific elements* of the service include those of an assessment (see General Preamble GP15).

<ul> <li># G185 Drug(s) desensitisation - in a hospital where full cardioresuscitative equipment is readily available because a significant risk of life-threatening anaphylaxis exists. The service must be performed under direct and ongoing physician attendance</li></ul>	184.95 8.65
+ G201 Direct nasal tests, to a maximum of 3 per year per test	1.60
Hyposensitisation	
G202 - each injection G212 - when sole reason for visit (including first injection)	4.45 9.75
<b>Payment rules:</b> G202 is limited to a maximum of 2 when an assessment is eligible visit and a maximum of 1 in addition to the injection included in G2	
G205 Insect venom desensitisation (immunotherapy) - per injection (maximum of 5 per day). In addition to G205, after the initial major assessment only, a minor or partial assessment may be claimed once per day if rendered	13.15
Ophthalmic tests	
<ul> <li>+ G203 - direct, to maximum of 3 per year per test</li> <li>+ G204 - quantitative</li> </ul>	1.60 12.40
Patch test	
G206 - maximum of 90 per patient, per year per test G198 - for industrial or occupational dermatoses, to a maximum of	2.39
125 per patient, per year per test	2.39
+ G207 Bronchial provocative testing - per session, to a maximum of 6 per year	14.15
Provocation testing	
For foods, food additives and medications, by blinded or open tec sessions per <i>12 month period</i> .	hnique, maximum 5 testing
G208 Provocation testing per unit	21.25
Payment rules:	

- 1. G208 is a time base service. Unit means one hour or major part thereof.
- **2.** In the event the allergic response is respiratory, only one pulmonary function test is eligible for payment the same day as G208.

ALLERGY	
	Fee
<b>[Commentary:</b> See General Preamble GP7 for definitions and time keeping requirements.]	
G190 Serial oral or parenteral provocation testing to a food, drug or other substance when the service is rendered in a hospital, when an anaphylactic reaction is considered likely based on a documented history and the service is performed under direct and ongoing physician attendance	184.95
<b>[Commentary:</b> See G208 for similar services rendered in office.]	
Т	P
Skin testing	
G209 - technical component, to a maximum of 50 per year	
G197 - professional component, to a maximum of 50 per year	
per test	0.37
	Fee

### Venom allergy testing

Investigations including skin prick test(s), intracutaneous test(s) and any other procedures necessary to establish the role of venom allergy in contributing to a patient's illness(es).

G199 Venom allergy testing, maximum of 2 per patient per physician per 12 month period	40.00
G195 Local anaesthetic hypersensitivity skin test, maximum of 2 per patient per physician per 12 month period	17.00
G196 Hypersensitivity skin test for validated drugs or agents excluding foods and inhalants, maximum of 3 per patient per physician per 12 month period	17.00
E582 - when testing with penicillin minor determinant mixture outside a hospital setting, to G196 add	32.20

#### Physical urticaria challenges - to include at least 3 of the following:

- **a.** assessment of dermographic challenge with 100, 250 or 500 gm needle, measuring immediate and delayed responses,
- **b.** assessment of pressure challenge with 15 lbs. weight recording onset, peak, duration of response immediate and delayed,
- c. assessment of ice cube cold challenges,
- **d.** assessment of cholinergic exercise challenge with use of treadmill or bicycle to target pulse rate greater or equal to 120 per minute and profuse sweating,
- e. vibration effect of light and water,
- f. histamine or methacholine

G213 Physical urticaria challenges	13.80
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# ANAESTHESIA

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#### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

#### Examination under anaesthesia (EUA) (when sole procedure performed)

- **A.** While this may be performed for diagnostic purposes, the *specific elements* are those for a therapeutic procedure.
- **B.** EUA is payable only if sole procedure performed by examining physician. EUA claimed in conjunction with any other procedure is payable at nil.
- C. Claims for EUA submitted without the applicable diagnostic code are payable at nil.

#### Note:

Despite paragraph b. listed under Basic Units on GP94, no anaesthesia service other than E023C is eligible for payment when rendered in support of Z432.

#### [Commentary:

Refer to E023C on GP100 for anaesthesia services rendered in support of Z432.]

Z432	EUA with or without intubation, and may include removal of		
	vaginal foreign body	54.10	
Z430	Provision of anaesthetic services for patients undergoing		
	magnetic resonance imaging	-	6

CARDIOVASCULAR		
	Fee	Anae
Vascular cannulation		
Z459 Arterial puncture	10.20	
# G268 Cannulation of artery for pressure measurements including cut down as necessary	31.25	
<b>Note:</b> G268 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> with G249, G259, G261, G176, G177, Z443 or Z440.	G178, G288,	
# G269 Cannulation of central vein for pressure measurements or for feeding line - not to be billed with right heart catheterization (Z439) or with Swan-Ganz catheter insertion	31.25	
<ul><li># G270 Intraosseous infusion</li><li># G309 Umbilical artery catheterization (including obtaining of blood</li></ul>	23.90	
sample)	45.55	
Venipuncture		
+ G480 - infant	9.90	
+ G482 - child	7.35	
+ G489 - adolescent or adult	3.54	
<b>Note:</b> G489 is not insured when rendered for the monitoring of adverse effects restricted weight loss program.	resulting from a	calorie
+ G483 Therapeutic venisection	9.70	
G282 Umbilical vein catheterization (including obtaining of blood sample)	19.90	
# Z438 Insertion of Swan-Ganz catheter (not included in anaesthetic, respiratory or critical care benefits)	162.50	6
<b>Note:</b> Z438 includes dye dilution densitometry and/or thermal dilution studies, in the setting of a cardiac catheterization laboratory).	when rendered (	except
<b>[Commentary:</b> See G285 for dye dilution densitometry and G286 for thermal dilution stu Swan-Ganz catheter in a cardiac catheterization laboratory.]	udies performed u	using a
# Z456 Insertion of implantable central venous catheter # Z457 Surgical removal or repair of implanted central venous catheter	193.40	6
	48.90	6
<ul><li># Z446 Insertion of subcutaneous venous access reservoir</li><li># Z447 - revision same site</li></ul>	168.00 85.25	6 6
# E684 - when performed in infant or child, to Z456 or Z446add	214.10	

#### CARDIOVASCULAR

# FOR ANTICOAGULANT SUPERVISION - LONG-TERM, TELEPHONE ADVICE

In addition to the *common elements*, the components of this service include the following specific elements.

- A. Monitoring the condition of a patient with respect to anticoagulant therapy, including ordering blood tests, interpreting the results and inquiry into possible complications.
- **B.** Adjusting the dosage of the anticoagulant therapy and, where appropriate, prescribing other therapy.
- **C.** Discussion with, and providing advice and information to the patient or patient's representative, by telephone, on matters related to the service even when initiated by the patient or patient's representative.
- **D.** Making arrangements for any related assessments, procedures or therapy and interpreting results as appropriate.
- E. Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for the specific elements.

G271 Anticoagulant supervision - long-term, telephone advice 12.75 ..... per month

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CARDIOVASCULAR		
	Fee	Anae
BLOOD TRANSFUSIONS		
# G275 Exchange transfusion	205.45	
<b>Note:</b> Assistant at exchange transfusion (see General Preamble GP85).		
# G280 Intra-uterine fetal transfusion - initial or subsequent G276 Donor cell pheresis (platelets or leukocytes)	186.90 15.35	
Therapeutic plasma exchange		
<ul> <li># G277 - initial and repeat, to a maximum of 5 per yeareach</li> <li># G278 - more than 5 per yeareach</li> </ul>	82.00 41.80	
# G272 Manual plasmapheresis (see General Preamble GP12)	I.C	
LDL apheresis # G287 - initial and repeat, to a maximum of 5 per yeareach # G290 - more than 5 per yeareach	82.00 41.80	
<b>Note:</b> LDL apheresis is an insured service only for the treatment of homozygous hypercholesterolemia.	familial	
CARDIOVERSION		
# Z437 Cardioversion (electrical and/or chemical) - maximum of three sessions per patient, per day	92.45	6
CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION		
<ul> <li>Note:</li> <li>1. Cardiac catheterization procedures (Z439 to G288) include insertion of c cutdown and repair of vessels if rendered), catheter placement, contrast and interpretation.</li> <li>2. When more than one precedure is corried out at one sitting, the addition</li> </ul>	injection, in	naging
2. When more than one procedure is carried out at one sitting, the addition payable at 50% of the listed benefits. (Z439 to G288, excluding G262 and Carried December 2019)	•	es are
HAEMODYNAMIC/FLOW/METABOLIC STUDIES		
Right heart # Z439 - pressures only	166.90	6
Left heart # Z440 - retrograde aortic # Z441 - transeptal	208.50 297.15	7 7
<ul> <li># G296 Dye dilution densitometry and/or thermal dilution studies -</li> <li>benefit covers all studies on same day in cath lab</li> <li># G285 Dye dilution densitometry when rendered in a cardiac catheter</li> </ul>	110.95	
lab using a Swan-Ganz catheter, to Z438 add # G286 Thermal dilution studies when rendered in a cardiac catheter lab using a Swan-Ganz catheter, to Z438 add	32.90 32.90	

# CARDIOVASCULAR

# Fee Anae Note:

- 1.G296 is not eligible for payment on the same patient, same day as Z438.
- 2.G296, G299 and/or G289 are not eligible for payment with anaesthesia services rendered for a surgical procedure.
- 3.G285 or G286 are not eligible for payment on the same patient, same day as G296.
- 4.G285 is limited to a maximum of three services per Swann-Ganz insertion.

# G299	Oximetry studies by catheterization	110.95
# G289	Fick determination	110.95
# G300	Metabolic studies, e.g. coronary sinus lactate and pyruvate	
	determinations	110.95
	Exercise studies during catheterization	122.40
# G306	Isotope studies during cardiac catheterization	110.95
# G305	Intracardiac phonocardiography	122.40

CARDIOVASCULAR		
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<b>ANGIOGRAPHY</b> # G297 Angiograms (only two angiograms may be billed - one per right		
heart catheterization and one per left heart catheterization) irrespective of the number of chambers injected	117.55	
Bypass graft angiogram		
# G509 - maximum one per bypass graft	80.40	
<b>Note:</b> Includes internal mammary artery implant.		
Selective coronary catheterization		
# Z442 - both arteries	286.75	6
# G263 - with other drug interventional studiesadd	96.45	
<b>Note:</b> Includes injection of intracoronary nitroglycerin.		
Transluminal coronary angioplasty		
# Z434 - one or more sites on a single major vessel	467.05	6
G262 - each additional major vesseladd	210.40	
<b>Note:</b> If anatomy unknown at time of procedure, claim G297 at 50%.		
# G298 Coronary angioplasty stent, per stent	78.95	
Note:		
J058 claimed same patient same day as G298 is payable at nil.		
Percutaneous angioplasty		
# Z448 - aortic valve, pulmonic valve, pulmonary branch stenosis	487.90	20
# Z449 - for coarctation of aorta	415.15	20
# Z460 - closure of patent ductus arteriosis with umbrella	377.55	20
# Z461 - mitral valvuloplasty for rheumatic stenosis	566.20	
Note:		

Z448 to Z461 includes angiography with or without pressure measurements.

CARDIOVASCULAR Fee Anae ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY/ARRHYTHMIAS # G249 Electrophysiologic measurements (includes one or all of sinus node recovery times, HIS bundle measurements, conduction times and/or refractory periods), includes percutaneous access and insertion of electrodes ..... 231.65 Arrhythmia induction To include programmed electrical stimulation, drug provocation and termination of arrhythmia, if necessary - once per patient per 24 hours. # G261 - atrial..... 331.05 # G259 - ventricular..... 383.30 Note: G261and/or G259 are not eligible for payment with G521, G522, G523, G395 and G391. Electrophysiologic Pacing, Mapping and Ablation Includes percutaneous access, insertion of catheters and electrodes, electrocardiograms, intracardiac echocardiograms and image guidance when rendered. - atrial pacing and mapping ..... # G176 334.25 - ventricular pacing and mapping ..... # G177 416.80 # Z423 - with the use of an advanced nonfluoroscopic computerized mapping and navigation system ("advanced mapping system") and/or procedure duration >4 hours ..... 690.25 10

#### Note:

Z423 is only eligible for payment when rendered with G176 or G177.

#### [Commentary:

**1.**As of October 2009, the advanced mapping system is typically used in hospital for the mapping of the following arrhythmias:

Arrhythmias	Description
Atrial arrhythmia	Atrial fibrillation Atypical atrial flutter Post-surgical atrial flutter Atrial tachycardia Redo typical atrial flutter Redo reentrant tachycardia (accessory pathways, AV nodal reentry)
Ventricular arrhythmia	Ischemic ventricular tachycardia/premature ventricular ectopics Non-ischemic ventricular tachycardia/premature ventricular ectopics Idiopathic ventricular tachycardia/premature ventricular ectopics (e.g. fascicular, ARVD, bundle branch reentry, aortic cusp, outflow tract, etc.)
Other	Congenital heart disease arrhythmia

**2.**Examples of procedures lasting more than 4 hours and not utilizing the advanced mapping system are mapping and ablation of multiple accessory pathways and/or thick band accessory pathway(s).]

CARDIOVASCULAR		
	Fee	Anae
Electrophysiologic pacing, mapping and ablation		
# G178 - catheter ablation therapy	352.05	
# G179 - repeat pacing, mapping and catheter ablation for additional		
distinct arrhythmia(s) without the use of an advanced		
mapping system	111.20	
Note:		
G179 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> with Z423.		
# Z424 - transseptal left heart catheterization, with or without		
pressure measurements, with or without dye injection	297.15	6
Note:	0.470	
<b>1.</b> Z424 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> when rendered with G176, G177 and/		
<b>2.</b> Z424 is eligible for payment for each transseptal catheter placement to	a maximum	of 2.
# Z422 - retrograde aortic left heart catheterization with or without		
pressure measurement(s)	210.55	6
	0.170	
<b>1.</b> Z422 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> when rendered with G176, G177 and/		
<ol> <li>Z422 is limited to a maximum of one per electrophysiological pacing, m ablation sitting.</li> </ol>	apping and/o	or
G115 External cardiac pacing (temporary transthoracic) once per 24-	46.20	
hour period	46.30	
<b>Note:</b> G115 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> with G521, G522, G523, G395 and G39 <sup>-</sup>	1	
# G366 Testing of arrhythmia inducibility by acute administration of		
anti-arrhythmic or adrenergic drugs to a maximum of 2 per 24 hours	148.50	
Note:	110.00	
G366 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> for the use of isoproterenol for arrhythmi	a induction w	/hen
rendered with G261 and/or G259.		
# Z443 Insertion of temporary endocardial electrode	154.10	6
# Z431 Repositioning of temporary endocardial electrode	64.25	6
Endomyocardial Biopsy	200.00	
# G288 - transvascular, right or left	200.00	
Tilt table testing of vasomotor syncope		
# G314 - to include arterial cannulation, provocative and blocking	440.00	
drugs, physician must be continually present	112.00	

# PREAMBLE

1. The technical and professional fee components for electrocardiogram, G310 and G313, are not eligible for payment in the routine preoperative preparation or screening of a patient for noncardiac surgery unless the patient has at least one risk factor for cardiac disease or has known or suspected cardiorespiratory disease including dysrhythmias, unless there is a clinical indication requiring an ECG other than solely for preoperative preparation of the patient.

DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC PROCEDURES

# [Commentary:

**ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHY (ECG)** 

1. Risk factors may include but are not limited to: hypertension, diabetes, vascular disease, renal disease, hyperlipidemia, smoking history, older age.

2. ECG testing is not indicated prior to low risk surgery under local anaesthetic with or without procedural sedation such as cataract surgery unless there is an independent clinical indication unrelated to the surgery.]

G175 Insertion of oesophageal electrode in monitoring position		21.85	
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Ele	ctrocardiogram - twelve lead		
G310 G313	<ul> <li>technical component</li> <li>professional component - must include written interpretation</li> </ul>	7.00	4.45

# Note:

G310 and G313 are not eligible for payment when rendered to a patient who does not have symptoms, signs or an indication supported by current clinical practice guidelines relevant to the individual patient's circumstances.

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### ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHY (ECG)

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### STRESS TESTING

#### **Maximal stress ECG**

Maximal stress ECG (exhaustion, symptoms or ECG changes) or submaximal stress ECG (to target heart rate for patient) by a standard technique - with treadmill or ergometer and oscilloscopic continuous monitoring including ECGs taken during the procedure and resting ECGs before and after the procedure - physician must be in attendance at all times. The *professional component* includes the necessary clinical assessment immediately prior to testing.

	- technical component - professional component	45.95	62.05
Dob	outamine stress test		
G174			
	add	49.35	
Dip	yramidole Thallium stress test		
G111	- technical component	53.60	
G112	- professional component		74.25

#### Note:

- **1.** The *technical* and *professional* fee components for maximal stress ECG are *not eligible for payment* in the routine preoperative preparation or screening of a patient for surgery where the patient will undergo a low risk procedure or has a low risk of perioperative cardiac complications, unless there is a clinical indication requiring a exercise stress test study other than solely for preoperative preparation of the patient.
- **2.**G315, G319, G174, G111 and G112 are *uninsured services* for routine annual stress tests in asymptomatic patients where the patient's 10 year risk of coronary heart disease is less than 10% calculated by generally accepted methodology.

#### [Commentary:

An example of a generally accepted methodology for determining 10 year risk of coronary heart disease is the Framingham Risk Score.

- **1.**Studies have indicated that for non cardiac surgery, there may be no clinical benefit and there may be harm in performing functional cardiac testing in patients with low operative risk and little or limited benefit in moderate risk patients. BMJ 2010, Jan 28; 340.
- **2.**One example of a generally accepted guideline is the American College of Cardiology (ACC)/ American Heart Association (AHA) Guidelines that states:
  - **a.**Non invasive testing could be considered in patients with 1 to 2 risk factors and poor functional capacity (less than 4 mets) who require intermediate risk surgery if it will change management (class IIb)
  - **b**.Non invasive testing has not been show to be useful in patients with no clinical risk factors undergoing intermediate risk non cardiac surgery (class III).
  - **c.**Non invasive testing has not been shown to useful in patients undergoing low risk non cardiac surgery (class III).]

## ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHY (ECG)



### CONTINUOUS ECG MONITORING (E.G. HOLTER)

#### Level 1

Requires a device capable of recording three or more simultaneous channels and the acquisition of a continuous ambulatory electrocardiographic recording of all beats, using three or more skin electrodes. The device must also have the ability to analyze and manually review all parts of the recording, and to produce graphical and quantitative reports of relevant parameters and diagnostic quality tracings for visual review, including post-hoc review of any portion of the recording to enable diagnostic rhythm analysis. Must include a patient diary and event marker capability to enable symptom-rhythm correlation. Minimum 12 hours of monitoring.

G651 G652 G650	<ul> <li>technical component - 12 to 35 hours recording</li> <li>technical component - 12 to 35 hours scanning</li> <li>professional component - 12 to 35 hours recording</li> </ul>	25.25 34.55	47.90
G682 G683 G658	<ul> <li>technical component - 36 to 59 hours recording</li> <li>technical component - 36 to 59 hours scanning</li> <li>professional component - 36 to 59 hours recording</li> </ul>	50.50 69.05	75.45
G684 G685 G659	<ul> <li>technical component - 60 hours to 13 days recording</li> <li>technical component - 60 hours to 13 days scanning</li> <li>professional component - 60 hours to 13 days recording</li> </ul>	75.70 103.60	95.85
G647 G648 G649	<ul> <li>technical component - 14 or more days recording</li> <li>technical component - 14 or more days scanning</li> <li>professional component - 14 or more days recording</li> </ul>	119.00 173.20	122.25

#### Level 2

All other monitoring devices with fewer than three skin electrodes, or that record only portions of the monitoring period or do not provide trend analysis. Minimum 12 hours monitoring.

G654 G655 G653	<ul> <li>technical component - 12 to 35 hours recording</li> <li>technical component - 12 to 35 hours scanning</li> <li>professional component - 12 to 35 hours recording</li> </ul>	24.05 16.45	34.10
G686 G687 G656	<ul> <li>technical component - 36 to 59 hours recording</li> <li>technical component - 36 to 59 hours scanning</li> <li>professional component - 36 to 59 hours recording</li> </ul>	48.15 32.95	51.15
G688 G689 G657	<ul> <li>technical component - 60 hours to 13 days recording</li> <li>technical component - 60 hours to 13 days scanning</li> <li>professional component - 60 hours to 13 days recording</li> </ul>	72.20 49.45	68.20
G694 G695 G696	<ul> <li>technical component – 14 or more days recording</li> <li>technical component – 14 or more days scanning</li> <li>professional component – 14 or more days recording</li> </ul>	113.05 83.15	86.80

#### Note:

**1.**Maximum one *professional component*, one technical recording component and one technical scanning component per patient, per recording.

## ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHY (ECG)

**2.**Where the duration of the service is more than 36 hours, claims for such services must be submitted using the appropriate listed code for that time duration and cannot be submitted using multiples of lesser time duration codes.

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- **3.**G647, G648, G649, G694, G695 and G696 are *only eligible for payment* once per 30 day period per patient.
- **4.** Services related to external cardiac loop recording devices that rely solely on patient activation to record electrocardiographic data and do not have the capability of real-time rhythm analysis are not insured.

#### Medical record requirements:

In order to demonstrate that payment requirements have been met, all test reports that form part of the patient record under this section must include the following information: the number of channels recorded, whether the recording was continuous, whether it was analyzed in real time, post-hoc or both and other information, such as, the name of the manufacturer and the model of the device(s) used in the performance of the test.

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Interpretat	tion of telephone transmitted ECG rhythm strip		
	nical component essional component	2.03	4.30
Single cha	amber reprogramming including electrocardiography	у	
	nical component essional component	9.30	11.30
Dual cham	nber reprogramming including electrocardiography		
	nical component essional component	12.20	16.95
Pacemake	er pulse wave analysis including electrocardiography	У	
	nical component essional component	9.30	9.55
Automatic	; implantable defibrillator		
	grammable including electrocardiography, interrogation a	and analysis	
G317 - profe	essional component		27.80
•	mable including electrocardiography, interrogation and re	eprogrammi	•
G321 - profe	essional component		47.65

# NON-INVASIVE CARDIOGRAPHY

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BLOOD FLOW STUDY (DOPPLER OR OTHER) - UNILATERAL	OR BILATERAL
G517 Ankle pressure determination, includes calculation of the ankle-arm index systolic pressure ratio	10.05
Note:	
<ol> <li>G517 is not eligible for payment when rendered during surgery operative stay in hospital.</li> </ol>	/ or during the patient's post-
2.G517 is not eligible for payment in conjunction with J200.	
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Phlebography and/or carotid pulse tracing (with systolic time	intervals)
G519 - technical component	10.90
G518 - professional component	11.20
Impedance plethysmography	
G121 - technical component	13.25
G120 - professional component	7.00
Digital photoplethysmography	
G127 - technical component, per extremity	13.25
G126 - professional component, per extremity	7.00

# ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY

# [Commentary:

Paragraphs 1-4 of this preamble do not apply to echocardiography services rendered to patients 17 years of age or younger, fetal echocardiography services, or to perioperative transoesophageal echocardiography (TEE) rendered to patients immediately before, during, or immediately after surgery, including the intensive care (ICU) setting.]

# PREAMBLE

- **1.** Echocardiography services are *only eligible for payment* when the service is rendered at a facility that has:
  - **a.** applied by April 1, 2016 to be accredited by an organization approved by the *MOH* to grant echocardiography accreditation and whose application has not yet been denied; or
  - **b.** has been accredited by an organization approved by the *MOH* to grant echocardiography accreditation.
- 2. Echocardiography services that are performed at a facility described in paragraph 1a above are *not eligible for payment* unless the organization approved by the *MOH* to grant echocardiography accreditation is satisfied that the applicant is actively pursuing accreditation.

# [Commentary:

- **1.**Actively pursuing accreditation means that documentation is submitted and a site visit is confirmed to the satisfaction of the organization approved by the *MOH* to grant echocardiography accreditation.
- **2.**Accreditation Canada Diagnostics has been approved by the *MOH* to grant echocardiography accreditation.
- **3.**A list of accredited facilities can be found at <u>https://diagnostics.accreditation.ca/Assessment-Programs/EQI-Program]</u>
- **3.** Echocardiography services are *only eligible for payment* if the physician performing the service establishes he/she:
  - a. has Level III (advanced) echocardiography training; or
  - **b.** has Level II (basic prerequisites for independent competence in echocardiography); or
  - **c.** documented performance in an established laboratory, with interpretation of at least 400 Echo/Doppler studies per year for the preceding 3 years and at least 24 hours of accredited CME activities relevant to echocardiography over a period of two years for the preceding 3 years.
- **4.** Echocardiography services are *only eligible for payment* if the service is rendered for an indication described in the document titled Standards for Provision of Echocardiography in Ontario found at

http://www.ccnecho.ca/Standards/DownloadStandards.aspx and that was in place on the date the service was rendered.

## Note:

Documentation of requirements 3a-c must be made available to the MOH on request.

5. Echocardiography services include cardiac monitoring and/or oximetry when rendered.

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6. The technical and professional fee components for echocardiography are *not eligible for payment* in the routine preoperative preparation or screening of a patient for surgery, unless there is a clinical indication requiring an echocardiogram other than solely for preoperative preparation of the patient.

#### [Commentary:

Patients should only be considered for preoperative testing if the results of the test will change their management.]

### ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY



# Complete Study - 1 and 2 dimensions

# Definition/Required elements of service:

A Complete Study – 1 and 2 dimensions is an echocardiogram that must include as a minimum all of the following components: acquisition, recording and storage of ultrasound images relevant to the assessment of all components of cardiac structure and function including chambers, valves, septae, pericardium and proximal great vessels. Also included when rendered is a Cardiac Doppler Study (*with or without* colour Doppler).

### Note:

Where one or more components of cardiac structure and function cannot be imaged due to circumstances beyond the physician's control the echocardiogram is payable as a complete echocardiogram.

### [Commentary:

If a single component of cardiac structure and function is imaged see G574/G575.]

G570	- technical component	118.95
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### Medical record requirements:

G570 and G571 are only eligible for payment for an echocardiogram when:

- 1. The required components and findings of a complete study are documented;
- **2.** There is a permanent recording on appropriate dynamic medium, either videotape or digitally, of the constituent images and measurements; and
- **3.** If applicable, a description of the circumstance beyond the physician's control leading to one or more components of the echocardiogram not being rendered.

## Stress Study

## Definition/Required elements of service:

A stress echocardiography study includes the following required elements:

- 1. Initial baseline study of all components of cardiac structure and function including chambers, valves and septae and *may include* a Cardiac Doppler Study (*with or without* colour Doppler);
- **2.** Stress images which *may include* various stages of stress and must include relevant peak or immediate post stress images relevant to the patient's clinical and diagnostic findings; and
- **3.** A simultaneous comparison of all left ventricular wall segments and global function obtained from pre-stress and stress images.

#### [Commentary:

Stress images may be obtained when the stress is induced by exercise, pharmacologic agents or pacing.]

G582	- technical component	135.05	
G583	- professional component		110.15

#### **Payment rules:**

G570, G571, G574 or G575 are not eligible for payment with G582 or G583.

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#### Medical record requirements:

G582 and G583 are only eligible for payment for an echocardiogram when:

**1.** The required components of the study and any findings from the simultaneous comparison of pre-stress and stress images are documented in the echocardiogram report; and

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**2.** There is a permanent recording acquired with a high frame rate and includes the time from cessation of exercise on appropriate dynamic medium, either videotape or digitally, of the constituent images and measurements.

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# Focused Study - not to be claimed in conjunction with pregnancy study

# Definition/Required elements of service:

An examination limited to a single component of the cardiac assessment.

## [Commentary:

Examples where a focused study may apply are:

1. Emergency assessment to guide immediate patient management.

2. Follow up within 2 weeks of a complete study to re-evaluate a specific finding or question.]

# Medical record requirements:

G574 and G575 are only eligible for payment for a focused echocardiography study when:

1. The component of the cardiac assessment and findings are documented; and

**2.** There is a permanent recording on appropriate dynamic medium, either videotape or digitally, of the constituent images and measurements.

# Echocardiography contrast

G585 - technical component, with use of contrast agent, to G570 or G582...... add 133.90

## Payment rules:

- **1.** G585 is *only eligible for payment* with a complete study or stress study in difficult-to-image patients where:
  - **a.**two or more contiguous segments are not seen on a recent non-contrast echocardiogram images;
  - **b**.the contrast agent is bubble-based with a diameter 5 microns or less, with resonance frequencies in the diagnostic ultrasound range and the contrast agent is able to cross the pulmonary circulation; and
  - **c.***professional component* G571 or G583 is eligible for payment for the same echocardiography study.
- 2. G585 is only eligible for payment if the physician performing the service establishes he/she:
  - **a.**has Level III (advanced) echocardiography training, with experience in administering and interpretation of contrast echocardiography; or
  - **b**.has Level II (basic prerequisites for independent competence in echocardiography) training, plus additional training in contrast echocardiography to learn the appropriate techniques for administering contrast agents and interpreting contrast-enhanced echocardiograms.
  - c.Started practice prior to January 1, 1990 and:
    - i. was trained to applicable echocardiography standards at the time of starting practice;
    - ii. has rendered and been paid for echocardiography services regularly since January 1, 1990;
    - iii. has rendered and been paid for at least 1800 echocardiograms in total in the 36 *months* prior to September 1, 2011; and

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- **iv.** has additional training in contrast echocardiography to learn the appropriate techniques for administering contrast agents and interpreting contrast-enhanced echocardiograms.

#### Note:

Documentation of requirements 2a-c must be made available to the ministry on request.

### [Commentary:

Additional training in contrast echocardiography can be obtained through courses, tutorials and preceptorships as examples.]

## Medical record requirements:

G585 is *not eligible for payment* unless a permanent record of study images and loops is maintained on an appropriate dynamic medium, either videotape or digitally.

### Transoesophageal echocardiography

G581 - professional co	omponent	25.00
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	Fee	
G579 Saline study (including venipuncture, to G571, G574 or G581		
add	11.35	
G580 Insertion of oesophageal transducer	45.00	

#### Note:

Peripheral Arterial and Venous Systems - see listings under Diagnostic Ultrasound.

### [Commentary:

The Provision of Echocardiography in Canada guidelines of the Canadian Cardiovascular Society and the Canadian Society of Echocardiography can be found at the following internet link:

http://www.ccs.ca/images/Guidelines/Guidelines\_POS\_Library/Echo\_STDP\_2004.pdf

**CRITICAL CARE** 

### LIFE THREATENING CRITICAL CARE

The service rendered when a physician provides critical care to a critically ill or critically injured patient. For the purpose of this service, a critical illness or critical injury is one that acutely impairs one or more vital organ system(s) causing vital organ system failure as a result of which imminent life threatening deterioration in the patient's condition is highly probable.

#### [Commentary:

Examples of vital organ system failure include but are not limited to: central nervous system failure, circulatory failure, shock, renal, hepatic, metabolic and or respiratory failure.]

Amount payable per physician per patient for the first three physicians:

G521	- first ¼ hour (or part thereof)	111.80
G523	- second ¼ hour (or part thereof)	57.65
G522	- after first $\frac{1}{2}$ hour, per $\frac{1}{4}$ hour (or part thereof)	38.00
G391	Amount payable per physician per patient for the fourth and	
	subsequent physicians (per ¼ hour or part thereof)	30.60

The following services are *not eligible for payment* when rendered to the same patient by the same physician on the same day as any code described as "life threatening critical care":

- **1.** Assessment and ongoing monitoring of the patient's condition.
- 2. Intravenous lines.
- 3. Cutdowns.
- **4.** Arterial and/or venous catheters.
- 5. Central venous pressure (CVP) lines.
- 6. Endotracheal intubation.
- 7. Tracheal toilet.
- 8. Blood gases.
- 9. Nasogastric intubation with/without anaesthesia with/without lavage.
- **10.**Urinary catheters.

**11.**Pressure infusion sets and pharmacological agents.

- 12.Defibrillation.
- 13.Cardioversion.

#### Payment rules:

- 1. The time unit is measured as the physician time spent fully devoted to the care of the patient and excludes time spent on separately billable interventions on the patient receiving the "life threatening critical care". The service is only eligible for payment for services rendered by the physician at the bedside or in the emergency department or on the hospital floor where the patient is located. Time unit total may include time which is consecutive or non-consecutive.
- **2.** During the time reported for which any of these codes is claimed, the physician cannot provide services to other patients.

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- **3.** "Life threatening critical care" is *not eligible for payment* for the services of a physician rendered to the same patient on the same day for which the physician is paid a per diem fee for Critical Care (intensive care area), Ventilatory Support, Comprehensive Care or Neonatal Intensive Care.
- 4. Consultation or assessments rendered before or after provision of "life threatening critical care" may be eligible for payment on a fee-for-service basis but not when claiming Critical Care (intensive care area), Ventilatory Support, Comprehensive Care or Neonatal Intensive Care per diem fees.
- 5. G521, G522, G523, or G391 are not eligible for payment with A384 or K181.

#### Medical record requirements:

The service is eligible for payment only if start and stop times of the service are recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.

#### [Commentary:

Time unit total may include time which is consecutive or non-consecutive.]

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### **OTHER CRITICAL CARE**

The service rendered when a physician provides resuscitation assessment and procedures in an emergency in circumstances other than those described as "life threatening critical care", where there is a potential threat to life or limb of such a type that without resuscitation efforts by the physician, there is a high probability the patient will suffer loss of limb or require "life threatening critical care".

Amount payable per physician per patient for the first three physicians:

G395	- first ¼ hour (or part thereof)	57.45
G391	- after first ¼ hour per ¼ hour (or part thereof)	30.60
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The following services are *not eligible for payment* when rendered to the same patient by the same physician on the same day as any code described as "other critical care":

- **1.** Assessment and ongoing monitoring of the patient's condition.
- 2. Intravenous lines.
- 3. Cutdowns.
- 4. Arterial and/or venous catheters.
- 5. Central venous pressure (CVP) lines.
- 6. Endotracheal intubation.
- 7. Tracheal toilet.
- 8. Blood gases.
- 9. Nasogastric intubation with/without anaesthesia with/without lavage.
- 10.Urinary catheters.
- **11.**Pressure infusion sets and pharmacological agents.

#### **Payment rules:**

- **1.** G395 is *not eligible for payment* with G521, G522 or G523 for services rendered to the same patient by the same physician on the same day.
- 2. The time unit is measured as the physician time spent fully devoted to the care of the patient and excludes time spent on separately billable interventions on the patient receiving "other critical care". The service is *only eligible for payment* for services rendered by the physician at the bedside or in the emergency department or on the hospital floor where the patient is located. Time units *may include* time which is consecutive or non-consecutive.
- **3.** During the time reported for which any of these codes is claimed, the physician cannot provide services to other patients.
- **4.** "Other critical care" is *not eligible for payment* for the services of a physician rendered to the same patient on the same day for which the physician is paid a per diem fee for Critical Care (intensive care area), Ventilatory Support, Comprehensive Care or Neonatal Intensive Care.
- **5.** Consultation or assessments rendered before or after provision of "other critical care" may be eligible for payment on a fee-for-service basis but not when claiming Critical Care (intensive care area), Ventilatory Support, Comprehensive Care or Neonatal Intensive Care per diem fees.

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#### Medical record requirements:

The service is eligible for payment only if start and stop times of the service are recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.

#### [Commentary:

Time unit total may include time which is consecutive or non-consecutive.]

#### [Commentary:

Life threatening critical care and other critical care

The duration of "life threatening critical care" and "other critical care" services that physicians should document is the time they actually spend evaluating, managing, and providing care to the critically ill or injured patient to the exclusion of all other work.

For example, time spent reviewing laboratory test results or discussing the critically ill patient's care with other medical staff in the unit or at the nursing station on the floor would be included in the definition of critical care, even when it does not occur at the bedside, if this time represents their full attention to the management of the critically ill/injured patient.

Time spent involved in activities in any location other than the bedside, emergency department or hospital floor where the patient is located cannot be claimed as the physician is not immediately available to the patient.

Submit claims manually when the total time spent in providing "life threatening critical care" or "other critical care" is greater than two (2) hours.]

G303 Transthoracic pacemaker - insertion	51.25
G211 Endotracheal intubation for resuscitation (not to be claimed	
when followed by a surgical procedure at which time it is	
included in the anaesthetic procedure)	38.35

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### **CRITICAL CARE**

# **CRITICAL CARE PER DIEM LISTINGS**

- A. The fees under physician-in-charge (the physician(s) daily providing the critical care services) apply per patient treated, i.e. while the physician-in-charge may change during the course of treatment, the daily fee formula as set out should be claimed by the physicians involved as if there was only one physician-in-charge during the treatment program; in this sense, the daily fees are team fees.
- **B.** When claiming Critical, Ventilatory, Neonatal Intensive Care or Comprehensive Care fees no other Critical Care codes may be paid to the same physician(s).
- **C.** Other physicians other than those providing Critical Care or Comprehensive Care may claim the appropriate consultation, visit and procedure fees not listed in the fee *schedule* for Critical Care. These claims will be adjudicated by the *Medical Consultant* in an Independent Consideration basis.
- D. If Ventilatory Support only is provided, for example, by the anaesthetist(s), claims should then be made under Ventilatory Support. Comprehensive Care and Neonatal Intensive Care fees do not apply.
- E. Other physicians should then claim Critical Care fees or the appropriate consultation, visit or procedures.
- **F.** If the patient has been discharged from the Unit more than 48 hours and is re-admitted to the Unit, the 1st day rate applies again on the day of re-admission.
- **G.** The appropriate consultation, assessment and procedural benefits apply after stopping Critical Care, Ventilatory Support, Comprehensive Care or Neonatal Intensive Care.
- **H.** Unless otherwise stated, the Critical Care per diem fees should not be claimed for stabilized patients and those patients who are in an intensive care unit for the purposes of monitoring. The appropriate consultation, assessment and procedural benefits apply.

### **CRITICAL CARE**

## **CRITICAL CARE (INTENSIVE CARE AREA)**

Critical Care is the service rendered by a physician for providing, in an Intensive Care Area, all aspects of care of a critically ill patient excluding ventilatory support and includes initial consultation and assessment, emergency resuscitation, intravenous lines, cutdowns, intraosseous infusion, pressure infusion sets and pharmacological agents, insertion of arterial, C.V.P. or urinary catheters and nasogastric intubation *with or without* anaesthesia, securing and interpretation of laboratory tests, oximetry, transcutaneous blood gases, and intracranial pressure monitoring interpretation and assessment when indicated (excluding insertion of I.C.P. measuring device). Except when a patient is on a ventilator, these fees are not payable for services rendered to stabilized patients in I.C.U.s, or patients admitted for ECG monitoring or observation alone. If the patient has been transferred from comprehensive care to critical care, the day of the transfer shall be deemed for payment purposes to be the second day of critical care.

Physician-in-charge

# G400	- 1st day	223.10
	- 2nd to 30th day, inclusive per diem	146.45
# G402	- 31st day onwards per diem	58.60

## VENTILATORY SUPPORT (INTENSIVE CARE AREA)

Ventilatory Support includes provision of ventilatory care including initial consultation and assessment of the patient, intravenous lines, endotracheal intubation with positive pressure ventilation including insertion of arterial C.V.P lines, tracheal toilet, use of artificial ventilator and all necessary measures for its supervision, obtaining and interpretation of blood gases, oximetry, transcutaneous blood gases and assessment. If the patient has been transferred from comprehensive care to ventilatory care, the day of the transfer shall be deemed for payment purposes to be the second day of ventilatory care.

Physician-in-charge

# G405	- 1st day		183.80
# G406	- 2nd to 30th day, inclusive	per diem	96.45
# G407	- 31st day onwards	perdiem	64.20

## COMPREHENSIVE CARE (INTENSIVE CARE AREA)

Comprehensive Care is the service rendered by an Intensive Care physician who provides complete care (both Critical Care and Ventilatory Support as defined above) to Intensive Care Area patients. This service includes the initial consultation and assessment and subsequent examinations of the patient, endotracheal intubation, tracheal toilet, artificial ventilation and all necessary measures for respiratory support, emergency resuscitation, insertion of intravenous lines, cutdowns, intraosseous infusion, arterial and/or venous catheters pressure infusion sets and pharmacological agents, insertion of C.V.P. lines, defibrillation, cardioversion and usual resuscitative measures, insertion of urinary catheters and nasogastric intubation *with or without* anaesthesia, securing and interpretation of blood gases and laboratory tests, oximetry, transcutaneous blood gases, intracranial pressure monitoring interpretation and assessment when indicated (excluding insertion of I.C.P. measuring device). Except when a patient is on a ventilator, these fees are not payable for services rendered to stabilized patients in I.C.U.s or patients admitted for E.C.G. monitoring or observation alone. If the patient has been transferred from critical care to comprehensive care, the day of the transfer shall be deemed for payment purposes to be the second day of comprehensive care.

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Physician-in-charge

# G557	- 1st day	383.45
# G558	- 2nd to 30th day, inclusive	228.90
# G559	- 31st day onwards per diem	115.75

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#### NEONATAL INTENSIVE CARE

Neonatal Intensive Care is the service rendered by a physician for being in constant or periodic attendance during a one-day period, to provide all aspects of care to Intensive Care Area patients. This consists of an initial consultation or assessment and such subsequent assessments as may be indicated, including ongoing monitoring of the patient's condition and the following procedures as required: insertion of arterial, venous, C.V.P. or urinary catheters, intravenous lines, interpreting of blood gases, nasogastric intubation *with or without* anaesthesia, pressure infusion sets and pharmaceutical agents, endotracheal intubation, tracheal toilet, artificial ventilation and all necessary measures for respiratory support. Separately billable interventions may be claimed in addition to these fees. There are three levels of neonatal intensive care depending on the procedures performed.

#### Level A

Full life support including monitoring (either invasive or non-invasive), ventilatory support and parenteral alimentation (all modalities)

# G600 - 1st day	376.05
<ul> <li># G601 - 2nd day onwards</li> <li># G603 Neonatal low volume intensive care - payable in lieu of G600</li> </ul>	187.95
or G604 if sole newborn to maximum of 25 services per physician per fiscal year	564.00
# G604 Neonatal low birth weight intensive care - payable in lieu of G600 or G603 for newborn less than 750 grams in weight or 26 weeks gestational age	536.95
Level B	
Intensive care including monitoring (invasive or non-invasive), oxygen adm intravenous therapy, but without ventilatory support	inistration and
# G610 - 1st day	258.05
# G611 - 2nd day onwards, per diem	129.00
Level C	
Intermediate care including one or more of oxygen administration, non-inva gavage feeding	sive monitoring
# G620 - 1st day	162.95
# G621 - 2nd day onwards, per diem	81.50
Note:	
<ol> <li>Physician-in-charge is the physician(s) daily providing the Neonatal Inten</li> </ol>	sive Care.
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2. These are team fees which apply to neonatologists /paediatricians/anaesthetists providing complete care. If *infant* has been transferred from one level to another in either direction, up or down, second day benefits apply.

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#### **CRITICAL CARE**

### HYPERBARIC OXYGEN THERAPY (HBOT)

Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy is the service rendered when a physician administers and supervises HBOT. Time is calculated based on the period of physician supervision while each patient receives HBOT inside the chamber. The *specific elements* of HBOT are those of an assessment, including ongoing monitoring of the patient's condition and intervening as appropriate.

#### Physician in constant attendance

#### Physician in chamber with patient(s), per session per patient # G800 - first <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hour

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# G801	- after first ¼ hour (per ¼ hour or major part thereof)	41.90
# G802	- after 2 hours in chamber (per ¼ hour or major part thereof)	83.80

### Physician in hyperbaric unit but not in chamber(s) with patient(s), per session per patient

# G804	- first ¼ hour	71.85
# G805	- after first ¼ hour (per ¼ hour or major part thereof)	35.90

#### Payment rules:

- 1. A consultation or assessment is eligible for payment with HBOT when rendered.
- **2.** If the physician is in the chamber, time calculated for HBOT *may include* time the physician devotes to separately billable interventions rendered to a patient provided that such interventions take place in the chamber during a period of continuous, uninterrupted HBOT.

### [Commentary:

- If the physician is outside the chamber, the time eligible for payment of HBOT does not include time spent rendering any separately billable intervention(s) during which the HBOT is interrupted or discontinued.
- **2.**For multi-patient sessions, the time eligible for payment of HBOT is measured as the period of physician supervision (either inside or outside of the chamber) for each patient, subject to payment rule #2.]

#### Medical record requirements:

The service is eligible for payment only if the start and stop times of the service are recorded in each patient's permanent medical record.

#### Note:

- **1.**HBOT is insured only for the treatment of those internationally recognized indications approved by the ministry.
- **2.**HBOT is *only eligible for payment* for idiopathic sudden sensorineural hearing loss (ISSHL) when the following conditions are met:
  - **a.** The patient is treated concurrently with corticosteroid unless corticosteroids are contraindicated;
  - b.The treatment is initiated within 30 days of a diagnosis of ISSHL; and
  - **c.** The diagnosis of ISSHL is made or confirmed by an Otolaryngologist prior to the initiation of treatment.

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#### **CRITICAL CARE**

#### Physician not in constant attendance

The service rendered when a physician supervises HBOT but is not physically present in the hyperbaric unit with the patient, but present in the facility and available to intervene in a timely fashion.

#### **Payment rules:**

- **1.** G807 is limited to a maximum of one per patient per day.
- 2. G807 is limited to a maximum of 3 per physician per day.
- 3. G807 is not eligible for payment for the same patient, same day as G800, G801, or G802.
- **4.** G805 is limited to a maximum of three units when claimed with G807 same patient same day.

#### Medical record requirements:

The medical record must demonstrate that there has been contact and/or direction provided to the hyperbaric unit in circumstances where G807 is claimed, otherwise the service is *not eligible for payment*.

#### [Commentary:

As of October 1, 2013, the following indications were approved by the ministry. For current information please contact a *medical consultant*.

- air or gas embolism
- carbon monoxide poisoning and/or cyanide poisoning
- clostridial myositis and myonecrosis (gas gangrene)
- crush injury, compartment syndrome, and other acute traumatic ischemias
- decompression sickness
- enhancement of healing in selected problem wounds
- exceptional blood loss
- intracranial abscess
- necrotizing soft tissue infections (subcutaneous tissue, muscle, fascia)
- osteomyelitis (refractory)
- delayed radiation injury (soft tissue and bony necrosis)
- skin grafts and flaps (compromised)
- thermal burns
- idiopathic sudden sensorineural hearing loss (ISSHL)]

rendered during night time (00:00-07:00), to G400, G405, G557, G600, G603, G604, G610 or G620...... add

#### Hypothermia induction

# G210 H	Hypothermia (therapeutic) induction and management	190.75
ICU/	NICU admission assessment fee	
G556	<ul> <li>ICU/NICU admission assessment is an initial visit</li> </ul>	

### Payment rules:

G556 is payable once per patient per hospital admission.

136.40

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DERMATOLOGY

#### Fee

#### ULTRAVIOLET LIGHT THERAPY

Ultraviolet light therapy (general or local application) and/or Psoralen plus Ultraviolet A (PUVA) is an insured service only for treatment of dermatological conditions (maximum 1 per patient per day). G470 is an insured service payable at nil if rendered in a hospital in-patient or outpatient department or physiotherapy clinic prescribed as a health facility under sub-section 35(10) under Regulation 552 of the *Health Insurance Act*.

#### [Commentary:

See General Preamble GP62 for conditions and limitations regarding delegation and supervision of G470.]

#### DIALYSIS Fee Anae Asst Note: Team benefits to include listed items. This does not include preliminary investigation of the case. Haemodialysis G325 Medical component alone..... 354.20 # G323 Acute, repeat - for the first 3 services ..... 177.10 # G083 Continuous venovenous haemodialysis - initial and acute (for the first 3 services) ..... 380.75 # G085 Continuous venovenous haemofiltration - initial and acute (for the first 3 services) ..... 369.65 Note: Haemodialysis to include haemofiltration, haemoperfusion. Continuous haemodiafiltration # G082 Continuous venovenous haemodiafiltration - initial and acute (for the first 3 services)..... 380.75 # G094 Chronic, continuous haemodiafiltration..... 67.00 Slow continuous ultrafiltration # G090 Venovenous slow continuous ultrafiltration - initial and acute (for the first 3 services)..... 317.25 # G096 Chronic, slow continuous ultrafiltration ..... 67.00 # R843 Removal of cannula or A.V. shunt..... 101.00 7 # R827 Creation of A.V. fistula ..... 490.15 7 6 Note: R827 - see also listing under Cardiovascular System, Veins - Repair. Bypass graft for haemodialysis - synthetic ..... 482.70 # R851 7 7 # R840 - autogenous vein ..... 496.60 Subclavian or external jugular catheter for haemodialysis # G324 - insertion ..... 102.95 # G336 - revision ..... 17.65 # R848 Dialysis cannula insertion under vision into central line (excluding percutaneous)..... 219.15 6

168.40

77.30

15.40

# G099 Percutaneous insertion of permanent jugular/femoral dialysis

# G327 Insertion of femoral catheter for dialysis .....

# G312 Thrombolytic instillation into temporary and permanent

catheter (including subcutaneous positioning) .....

percutaneous catheters.....

DIALYSIS			
	Asst	Fee	Anae
Peritoneal dialysis			
# G330 Acute (up to 48 hours) includes stylette cannula insertion			
(temporary)		237.40	
# G331 Repeat acute (up to 48 hours) - for the first 3 services		213.70	
<ul> <li># R852 Insertion of peritoneal cannula by laparotomy or laparoscopy</li> <li># R885 Removal of peritoneal cannula by laparotomy or laparoscopy</li> </ul>		352.50 256.10	6 6
Note:			
1.E860 is not eligible for payment with R852 or R885, except in ci paragraph 23 of Surgical Preamble.	rcumsta	nces describ	ed in
2.Z552, Z553 and S312 are not eligible for payment in association	n with R8	352 or R885.	
Tenckhoff type peritoneal catheter			
# R853 - insertion, chronic by trocar		154.40	7
# R854 - removal		63.10	
Revision or repair of arterio-venous (AV) fistula or graft for hae	modial	/sis	
# Z464 Declotting by cannula, any method	nil	150.00	nil
# R941 Thrombectomy, by open technique	7	350.00	10
# R942 Ligation, removal or obliteration of AV fistula or graft for haemodialysis	6	250.00	6
# R943 Revision and/or repair of AV fistula or graft by plication,	Ū	200.00	Ũ
imbrication, and/or resection, with or without thrombectomy	6	400.00	6
# R944 Revision and/or repair of AV fistula or graft by angioplasty,			
patch or graft, and/or segment replacement, with or without	6	650.00	6
thrombectomy # R945 Resection or repair of an AV fistula aneurysm(s), includes any	0	030.00	0
necessary repair, with or without thrombectomy	6	975.50	6
# R946 Brachio-basilic vein AV fistula transposition for haemodialysis	10	975.50	17
Note:			
1.Z464 includes placement of the cannula, administration of contragent(s), and any image guidance, when rendered. Obtaining a conjunction with Z464 are not eligible for payment to any physic	nd interp	•	
2.R943 and R944 include revision and/or repair of both the venou the AV fistula or graft, when rendered.	s and ar	terial compor	nents of
<ul><li>3.Only one of R941, R942, R943, R944, R945 or R946 is eligible day, any physician.</li></ul>	for payn	nent per patie	ent per
<b>4.</b> R946 includes placement, venography and any image guidance any images in conjunction with R946 are <i>not eligible for paymen</i>			preting
5.R946 includes any revision and/or re-anastomosis, when rende	red.		
<b>6.</b> R942 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> for the same patient on the sam	ne day a	s R841 and I	R833.

#### DIALYSIS

#### CHRONIC DIALYSIS TEAM FEE

Chronic Dialysis Team Fee is the all-inclusive benefit per patient per *week* for professional aspects of managing chronic dialysis and end-stage renal failure in dialysis patients. It is a modality independent fee and is equal in monetary value whether the dialysis is delivered in hospital, community or *home* and whether it is haemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis. The team fee includes the services of all physicians routinely or periodically participating in the patient's dialysis treatment at:

- a. the patient's principal treatment centre; or
- **b.** at a place other than the patient's principal treatment centre (auxiliary treatment centre) where 3 or more dialysis treatments are rendered to the patient during the 7-day period referred to below.

The amount payable is in respect of a 7-day period of care, commencing at midnight Sunday and is payable to the *most responsible physician*.

Except as set out below, the amount payable to another physician in respect of these services rendered to a patient in respect of whom a claim is submitted and paid for this code is nil.

When a full 7-day period of team care is not rendered at the patient's principal treatment centre due to absence of the patient with treatment at an auxiliary treatment centre, the amount claimed for treatment at the principal treatment centre is reduced on a pro rata basis to equal 1/7 of the *week*ly fee for each day that the patient is the responsibility of the principal treatment centre.

In addition to the *common elements* of insured services and the *specific elements* of Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures, the team fee includes the following elements:

- **A.** All consultations and visits for management and supervision of chronic dialysis treatments regardless of frequency, type or location of service and includes chronic dialysis of hospital inpatients.
- **B.** All consultations and visits within the scope of practice of nephrology and general internal medicine for assessment and treatment of complications of chronic dialysis and management of end-stage renal disease and its complications in chronic dialysis patients.
- C. All related counselling, interviews, psychotherapy of patients and family members.
- D. All related case conferences.

### The team fee does not include:

- A. Assessments and special visit premiums for emergent calls to the emergency department.
- **B.** Admission assessments and subsequent visits to acute care hospital in-patients for treatment of complications of dialysis, chronic renal disease or intercurrent illness.
- C. Any other diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, including acute dialysis treatments.
- **D.** Consultations and assessments by *specialist*s in other than internal medicine or internal medicine sub-specialists other than nephrologists.
- **E.** Primary care by the patient's family physician.
- F. Assessment by a renal transplantation specialist for entry into a transplantation program.
- **G.** Intermittent chronic haemodialysis treatment at an auxiliary treatment centre if fewer than three dialysis treatments are rendered to the patient in the 7-day period referred to above.

DIALYSIS	
	Fee
Chronic dialysis weekly team fee	
# G860 Hospital haemodialysis	130.15
# G861 Hospital peritoneal dialysis	130.15
# G862 Hospital self-care haemodialysis or satellite haemodialysis	130.15
# G863 <i>ICHSC</i> haemodialysis	130.15
# G864 Home peritoneal dialysis	130.15
# G865 Home haemodialysis	130.15
# G866 Intermittent haemodialysis - at an auxiliary treatment centre	
(per treatment, maximum 2 per patient per 7-day period	
referred to above)	70.40
Note:	

**1.**Claim the code representing the predominant location and modality.

**2.** Where 3 or more treatments are rendered per 7-day period at an auxiliary treatment centre, the service comprises the chronic dialysis *week*ly team fee paid at the full amount, regardless of the number of treatments rendered.

ENDOCRINOLOGY AND METABOLISM	
	Fee
+ G493 ACTH test - single or multiple, per injection + G337 Antidiuretic hormone response test including the 8 hour water	6.25
deprivation test	16.95
+ G338 Clonidine suppression test (for the investigation of	
pheochromocytoma) - with physician present - includes venipunctures	24.90
Glucagon test	
+ G494 - (Type A) for carbohydrate response	10.20
+ G495 - (Type B) for hypertension, pheochromocytoma and insulinoma provocative test (including cold pressor test)	42.30
G358 Growth hormone exercise stimulation test with physician	
present (includes venipunctures)	24.90
+ G340 Histamine test to include a control cold pressor test	45.45
+ G341 Hypertonic saline infusion test	16.95
+ G342 Implantation of hormone pellets	31.05
+ G497 Insulin hypoglycemia pituitary function test with or without TRH	
and LHRH alone or in combination	49.80

### **Diabetes monthly management**

The provision to a patient, patient's relative(s), patient's representative or other caregiver(s) of medical advice, direction or information by telephone or otherwise, in which a change in the frequency or dose of insulin therapy is initiated regarding a patient treated with insulin injections (2 or more daily) or insulin by pump (a "contact").

In addition to the *common elements*, the components of this service include the following *specific elements*.

- **A.** Monitoring the condition of a patient with respect to insulin therapy, including ordering blood tests, reviewing patient's glucose self-monitoring, interpreting the results and inquiry into possible complications.
- **B.** Adjusting the type, frequency and dose of insulin therapy, and where appropriate, prescribing alternate or additional therapy.
- **C.** Discussion with, and providing advice and information to the patient, patient's relative(s), patient's representative or other caregiver(s), by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service, regardless of identity of person initiating discussion.
- **D.** Making arrangements for any related assessments, procedures and/or therapy and interpreting results as appropriate.
- E. Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for the *specific elements*.

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ENDOCRINOLOGY AND METABOLISM		
		Fee
G514	- each additional month, 1 to 3 contacts	10.60
G520	- each additional month, 4 or more contacts	21.20

#### **Payment rules:**

- **1.** G500 is limited to a maximum of two per patient per lifetime.
- **2.** G500, G514 and G520 are *only eligible for payment* when rendered by the physician most responsible for the patient's diabetes care or by a physician substituting for that physician ("the substitute physician").
- **3.** The clinical decision(s) pertaining to the medical advice, direction or information provided must be formulated personally by the physician or substitute physician.
- **4.** A contact rendered on the same day as a consultation or assessment by the same physician to the same patient does not constitute a contact for the purpose of G500, G514 or G520.
- **5.** G500, G514 and G520 are *not eligible for payment* for reviewing laboratory reports, patient created reports, or for communicating results to a patient when no change in the frequency or dose of insulin therapy is required.
- **6.** Only one of G500, G514 and G520 is eligible for payment per patient per physician per *month*.

#### Medical record requirements:

G500/G514/G520 is *only eligible for payment* when a dated summary of each contact is recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.

### ENDOCRINOLOGY AND METABOLISM

#### [Commentary:

- **1.**The clinical decision(s) formulated by the physician or substitute physician may be communicated to the patient, patient's relative, patient's representative or other caregiver by a staff member other than the physician.
- 2. Month refers to a calendar month.
- **3.** If G514 and G520 are claimed in the same *month* by the same physician for the same patient, the total fee eligible for payment will be adjusted to the value of G520.]

+ G498 Intravenous glucose tolerance test	10.20
+ G499 Intravenous tolbutamide test	49.80
+ G513 Pentagastrin stimulation for calcitonin	42.30
+ G344 Phentolamine test	42.30
+ G501 TRH or LHRH test, per injection	6.25
+ G490 Saralasin test	42.30

#### Open circuit indirect calorimetry

Isothermal environment employing a ventilated hood system, to include height and weight of the subject, measurement of subjects body fat using four skin folds. Determination of resting energy expenditure in a patient 12-14 hours post prandial to include measurement of O2 consumption and CO2 saturation.

G515 Open circuit indirect calorimetry	46.30
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### GASTROENTEROLOGY

### Measurement of thermic effect of feeding

To follow 1 hour measurement of resting energy expenditure, subject is given a balanced test meal and then calorimetry measurements are taken for two hours, to include timed urine samples (2-3 hours) and urine nitrogen excretion measurements in a steady state condition, interpretation of results in context of patient's clinical status and written report.

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G516 Measurement of thermic effect of feeding	36.90	
Oesophageal Studies		
G350 - oesophageal motility study(ies) with manometry	76.05	
G353 - oesophageal acid perfusion test and/or provocative drug	00.75	
testing	28.75	
G251 - oesophageal pH study for reflux, with installation of acid	27.05	
G351 - oesophageal pH study for reflux, with installation of acid,		
with 24 hour monitoring	31.85	
C2E4 Anal restal manametry	38 50	
G354 Anal-rectal manometry	38.50	

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G254 Management of post liver, lung or pancreas transplant	Fee
immunosuppression - in lieu of non-emergency hospital	
visits in-patient visitsper visit	34.70
Note:	
1.G254 is not eligible for payment in addition to a subsequent hospita	al visit or assessment.
2.G254 is not eligible for payment when rendered to an out-patient.	
<b>3.</b> G254 is limited to a maximum of one service per patient per day.	
4.G254 is only eligible for payment for a maximum of 2 weeks post live transplant surgery.	ver, lung or pancreas
G349 Oesophageal tamponade (Blakemore bag) - insertion	45.30
Gastric lavage	
+ G355 - diagnostic	9.60
G356 - therapeutic - with or without ice water lavage	33.80
# Z520 Change of gastrostomy tube	10.65
+ G357 Gastric secretion studies (Augmented Histamine or Histalog,	
or Pentagastrin) - procedure and supervision	19.55
G352 Biliary tract provocative test with cholecystokinin	9.60
# G322 Nasogastric intubation under general anaesthesia	9.60
	ТР
Hydrogen breath test	
G167 - technical component	7.00
G166 - professional component	10.45
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# G332 Capsule endoscopy	122.25
Payment rules:	

G332 is only insured when rendered for the purpose of identifying gastrointestinal bleeding of obscure origin when all appropriate conventional techniques have failed to identify a source.

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GYNAECOLOGY	
	Fee
G363 Cervical mucous penetration test	
G378 Insertion of intrauterine contraceptive device	
G552 Removal of intrauterine contraceptive device	
E542 - when performed outside hospital	add 11.55
<b>Payment rules:</b> G552 is not eligible for payment on the same day as	s G378.
+ G362 Insertion of laminaria tent	
E870 - when laminaria tent supplied by the physiciar	nadd 8.35
G334 Telephone supervisory fee for ovulation induction menopausal gonadotropins or gonadotropin-re	
hormone (not eligible for payment same day as	
maximum of 10 per cycle	•
G399 Transvaginal sonohysterography, introduction of c	
or without injection of contrast media	
<b>Note:</b> G399 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> when transvaginal technical services (J165 or J476) are rendered (eith	
[Commentary:	
<b>1.</b> See Diagnostic Ultrasound section page G6.	
2.G334 is not insured when rendered to support in- insemination services. See Regulation 552 sectio Act.]	
Papanicolaou smear	
+ G365 - periodic	
E430 - when papanicolaou smear is performed outsi	
hospital, to G365	add 11.95
<b>[Commentary:</b> E430 is payable when the requirements for G365 ar	re met.]
Payment rules:	-
<b>1.</b> G365 is limited to one per patient per 33 <i>month</i> p	period.
2. G365 is uninsured for patients less than 21 years	s of age.
<ol> <li>G365 is uninsured for patients older than 70 year normal tests in the prior 10 years.</li> </ol>	rs of age who have had three or more
<b>4.</b> G365 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> when performed consultation, general or specific assessment or re	

### [Commentary:

**1.**Periodic Papanicolaou smears in excess of the limit are not insured.

- 2. Guidelines for cervical screening can be found at https://www.cancercare.on.ca/
- **3.**Current guidelines recommend routine Pap smear screening once every 36 *months*. The *schedule* period of 33 *months* is in recognition that some patients may be seen just prior to the recommended time interval.]

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#### + G394 - additional for:

- follow-up of abnormal pap smear; or
- follow-up of inadequate pap smear; or
- annually in a patient who is immunocompromised, e.g. HIV-positive or taking long-term immunosuppressants; or
- a patient with a history of oncogenic HPV-typing; or
- where the physician is of the opinion that the patient is a member of a vulnerable group that may have difficulty accessing the services within the specified time period...

#### Medical record requirements:

Physicians claiming G394 must have documentation of an abnormal or inadequate Pap result for which a follow-up is required or documentation of the cause of the immunocompromised status or documentation of difficulties in accessing the service within the specified time period otherwise G394 is *not eligible for payment*.

E431	<ul> <li>when papanicolaou smear is performed outside of</li> </ul>		
	hospital, to G394a	add	11.95

#### Note:

The papanicolaou smear is included in the consultation, repeat consultation, general or specific assessment (or re-assessment), or routine post-natal visit when a pelvic examination is a normal part of the foregoing services. However, the add-on codes E430 or E431 is eligible for payment in addition to these services when an insured papanicolaou smear is performed outside hospital.

#### [Commentary:

E431 is payable when the requirements for G394 are met.]

Z463 Removal of Norplant	65.30
Medical management of prolapse - Pessary	
G398 Pessary fitting – initial or re-fitting	63.65
G550 Pessary care – pessary removal, care and reinsertion	10.00

### Payment rules:

1. G398 is eligible for payment once per patient per 12-month period

- 2. G550 is eligible for payment up to 6 times per 12-month period
- 3. G550 is not eligible for payment for the same patient on the same day as G398
- **4.** G398 or G550 are *not eligible for payment* when pessary removal is performed with no pessary care or reinsertion

#### [Commentary:

If applicable, a visit fee may be claimed in addition to pessary fitting or pessary care provided to the same patient during the same visit.]

Fee

12.00

#### HAEMATOLOGY

#### Fee

#### HAEMOGLOBINOPATHIES AND CONGENITAL HAEMOLYTIC ANEMIAS

#### Transfusion support

The service rendered for transfusion support, iron overload management and Sickle Cell crisis management and prevention related to Sickle Cell Disease, Thalassemia or transfusion dependent Congenital Hemolytic Anemia. The service includes routine outpatient visits (including, for example, supervised blood transfusions, iron chelation therapy, monitoring of complications of iron overload, pain management of acute or chronic Sickle Cell Disease) and any counselling/psychotherapy/genetic counselling of the patient, the patient's relatives or their representatives.

The *specific elements* of this service are all services performed by the specialist in charge of the patient during a one-*week* period in providing non-emergency care to the patient, including providing any advice whether by telephone or otherwise and even when initiated by the patient, patient's relative(s), or their representative(s) and including providing all premises, equipment, supplies and personnel used by the specialist in charge of the patient to perform these services.

G098 Transfusion support, per patient ..... per week 32.35

#### Note:

When physicians are required to make emergency visits, the appropriate visits and premiums are eligible for payment. When the patient requires hospitalization, the appropriate fees for inpatient services are eligible for payment instead of G098.

### HOME AND SELF CARE SERVICES

### HOME/SELF-CARE HAEMOPHILIA

Services rendered by the specialist in charge of the patient.

#### Haemophilia infusion

Haemophilia infusion includes routine clinic visits (system/drug/infusions technique/blood work review and physical examination), counselling/psychotherapy/genetic counselling of patients and relatives and supervised haemophilia infusion when required. The *specific elements* of this service are all services performed by the specialist in charge of the patient during a one-*week* period in providing non-emergency care to the patient who is self administering haemophilia therapy, including providing any advice and supervision in regard to self administration, whether by telephone or otherwise and even when initiated by the patient, patient's relative(s), or their representative and including providing all premises, equipment, supplies and personnel used by the specialist in charge of the patient to perform these services.

G100 Haemophilia infusion, per patient ......per week 32.35

#### Note:

When physicians are required to make emergency visits to see patients on any form of *home*/ self care haemophilia infusion, the appropriate visits and premiums may be claimed. When the patient requires hospitalization, the appropriate fees for daily care and in-hospital infusions may be claimed instead of G100.

#### HOME/SELF-CARE VENTILATION

*Home*/self-care ventilation - to include positive and negative respirators and negative pressure respirators, diaphragmatic pacing devices and oscillating beds.

- a. services rendered by most responsible physician;
- **b.** includes routine clinic visits, *home* visits, telephone advice, communication with family and other medical personnel, care of supervised tracheostomy, counselling/psychotherapy of patients and relatives and supervised ventilation when required.

The *specific elements* of this service are all services performed by the *most responsible physician* during a one-*week* period in providing non-emergency care to the patient who is self administering ventilation therapy, including providing any advice and supervision in regard to self administration, whether by telephone or otherwise and even when initiated by the patient, or their representative and including providing all premises, equipment, supplies and personnel used by the *most responsible physician* to perform these services.

G101 Home/self-care ventilation, per patient ......per week 33.55

#### Note:

When physicians are required to make emergency visits to see patients on *home*/self-care ventilation, the appropriate visit and premium fees may be claimed. When the patient requires hospitalization, the appropriate fees for daily care and in-hospital ventilation may be claimed instead of G101.

#### **INJECTIONS OR INFUSIONS**

#### **BOTULINUM TOXIN SERVICES**

G869 Botulinum toxin injection(s) of bladder detrusor muscle ......

#### Payment rules:

- **1.** G869 is *only eligible for payment* for management of symptomatic refractory overactive bladder that has not been responsive to a minimum of three months of active treatment with behavioral modification or anticholinergics.
- **2.** Only one G869 service is eligible for payment per patient per day and includes all injections necessary to deliver the total dosage (one treatment) that is recommended in current practice guidelines
- **3.** G869 is *only eligible for payment* for one treatment per patient every 12 weeks. If, in the opinion of the treating physician, more frequent treatments are necessary, submit claim for manual review with supporting documentation. Authorization will be dependent on the physician demonstrating that the increased frequency of the service is generally accepted as necessary for the patient under the circumstances.

#### Medical record requirements:

Subsequent G869 services are only eligible for payment if the patient's response(s) to previous G869 services are documented in the permanent medical record.

#### [Commentary:

Z606 is eligible for payment with G869, if performed]

G870 Botulinum toxin injection(s) of extraocular muscle(s), (unilateral)	120.00
G871 Botulinum toxin injection(s) for blepharospasm, (unilateral or bilateral)	120.00
G872 Botulinum toxin injection(s) for hemifacial spasm, (unilateral or	120.00
bilateral)	120.00
G873 Botulinum toxin injection(s) for spasmodic dysphonia	120.00
G874 Botulinum toxin injection(s) for sialorrhea, (unilateral or	
bilateral)	50.00
Botulinum toxin injection for the following conditions: Oromandib dystonia, cervical dystonia or spasticity	ular dystonia, limb
COZE First injection	40.00

G875	First injection	40.00
G876	- each additional injection to a maximum of 11, to G875	
	add	10.00
EM	G and/or ultrasound guidance for Botulinum toxin injections	;
G877	- with EMG guidance (when required to determine the	
	injection site), for one injection, to G870, G873, G874, or	
	G875add	18.85
G878	- with EMG guidance (when required to determine the	
	injection site), for two or more injections, to G870, G873,	
	G874 or G876 add	28.10
E543	- use of disposable EMG hypodermic electrode outside	
	hospital (maximum of one per patient per day), to G877 or	
	G878 add	30.60

Fee

150.00

INJECT	IONS OR INFUSIONS	
		Fee
G879	<ul> <li>with ultrasound guidance (when required to determine the injection site), for one injection, to G870, G873, G874 or G875 add</li> </ul>	18.85
G880	<ul> <li>with ultrasound guidance (when required to determine the injection site), for two or more injections, to G870, G873, G874 or G876 add</li> </ul>	28.10

#### Payment rules:

- **1.** When used to determine the injection site, EMG or ultrasound services other than G877, G878, G879 or G880 are *not eligible for payment* with Botulinum toxin services.
- 2. With the exception of G869, all Botulinum toxin services are limited to one treatment per condition, per patient every 10 *weeks*. If, in the opinion of the treating physician, more frequent treatments are necessary, submit claim for manual review with supporting documentation. Authorization will be dependent on the physician demonstrating that the increased frequency of the service is generally accepted as necessary for the patient under the circumstances.

#### [Commentary:

Botulinum toxin injection(s) for indications other than those listed above are not insured services.]

INJECTIONS OR INFUSIONS	
	Fee Anae
+ G369 B.C.G. inoculation, following tuberculin tests	5.30
<ul> <li>+ G370 Injection of bursa, or injection and/or aspiration of joint, ganglion or tendon sheath</li> <li>G371 - each additional bursa, joint, ganglion or tendon sheath, to a</li> </ul>	20.25
maximum of 5	19.90
E542 - when performed outside hospital, to G370 add	11.55
G328 Aspiration of bursa or complex joint, with or without injection	39.80
G329 - each additional bursa or complex joint, to a maximum of 2	20.25
E542 - when performed outside hospital, to G328 add	11.55
E446 - peripheral joint injection using image guidance following a failed blind attempt, to G370 or G371add	30.00

#### Note:

1. For the purpose of G328 and G329, a joint is defined as complex only if it is:

- a.a joint other than the knee; or
- **b.**a knee joint in which the anatomy is distorted by disseminated lupus erythaematosus, dermatomyositis, rheumatoid arthritis, Still's disease, ankylosing spondylitis or other seronegative spondyloarthropathies.
- **2.**E446 is *only eligible for payment* when injection of the joint must be repeated using any method of image guidance following a failed blind attempt(s) by the same or different physician. Professional and/or technical fees for obtaining and interpreting the images required for the purpose of guidance of the injection are *not eligible for payment* to any physician.

#### **Payment rules:**

- **1.** G370, G371, G328 or G329 are *not eligible for payment* when rendered in conjunction with a surgical procedure involving the same site or area.
- **2.** Only one of G370, G371, G328 and G329 is eligible for payment for the same bursa, joint or complex joint.
- **3.** Aspiration and/or injection of the olecranon bursa is *only eligible for payment* as G370/G371.
- 4. G328/G329 are not eligible for payment solely for injection of complex joint.
- **5.** G370, G371, G328, G329 are *uninsured service*s for injection of intra-articular viscosupplementation agents.

### [Commentary:

- 1. Use of intra-articular viscosupplementation agent for treatment of osteoarthritis is not supported by evidence. An example of a viscosupplementation agent is hyaluronic acid. See http://www.hqontario.ca/evidence/publications-and-ohtac-recommendations/ohtas-reportsand-ohtac-recommendations/intra-articular-viscosupplementation-with-hylan-g-f-20-to-treatosteoarthritis-of-the-knee
- 2. For percutaneous provocation vertebral discography, refer to J006 Discogram page E4.]

G396	Injections of extensive keloids	24.90	
# Z455	- under general anaesthesia	44.70	6

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INJECTIONS OR INFUSIONS	
	Fee Anae
INTRAMUSCULAR, SUBCUTANEOUS OR INTRADERMAL	
G372 - with visit (each injection)	3.89
G373 - sole reason (first injection)	6.75
G372 - each additional injection	3.89
<b>Note:</b> <b>1.</b> G372, G373 includes interpretation.	
2.G372, G373 are not insured for vitamin injections when rendered for facilitating weight loss.	r the purpose of
IMMUNIZATION	
[Commentary:	
The immunization service may not be insured under some conditions. to relevant regulation.]	See Appendix A for link
Note:	
<b>1.</b> Where the sole reason for the visit is to provide the immunization se	ervice add G700.
<ol><li>G700 service is only payable once per patient per day.</li></ol>	
+ G840 Diphtheria, Tetanus, and acellular Pertussis vaccine/	
Inactivated Poliovirus vaccine (DTaP-IPV) - paediatric	5.40
+ G841 Diphtheria, Tetanus, acellular Pertussis, Inactivated Polio	
Virus, Haemophilus influenza type b (DTaP-IPV-Hib) -	6.25
paediatric	6.35 5.40
+ G842 Hepatitis B (HB) + G843 Human Papillomavirus (HPV)	5.40
+ G844 Meningococcal C Conjugate (Men-C)	5.40
+ G845 Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	5.40
+ G846 Pneumococcal Conjugate	5.40
+ G847 Diphtheria, Tetanus, acellular Pertussis (Tdap) - adult	5.40
+ G848 Varicella (VAR)	5.40
+ G538 Other immunizing agents not listed above	5.80
+ G590 Influenza agent	5.65
+ G593 COVID-19 vaccine	13.00
	10.00
	0.05
+ G375 - one or two lesions	8.85
+ G377 - 3 or more lesions G383 - extensive (see General Preamble GP12)	13.30 I.C
	1.0
<b>Note:</b> Intralesional injection of acne lesions with corticosteroids is not an ins	ured service.
G462 Administration of oral polio vaccine	1.65
+ G592 Administration of intranasal influenza vaccine	1.65
G384 Infiltration of tissues for trigger point	8.85
C205 for each additional site /te a maximum of 2)	1 66

INJECTIONS OR INFUSIONS	
	Fee
INTRAVENOUS	
+ G376 Newborn or infant	10.20
+ G379 Child, adolescent or adult	6.15
Note:	
<b>1.</b> G376 or G379 apply to cryoprecipitate infusion.	
<b>2.</b> G376 or G379 may not be claimed with x-rays as they are included	in the service.
<b>3.</b> Except for G381 or G281, injections into established I.V. apparatus	may not be claimed.
G389 Infusion of gamma globulin, initiated by physician, including	
preparation per patient, per day	13.90
+ G380 Cutdown including cannulation as necessary	27.05
G387 Intravenous local anaesthetic infusion for central neuropathic	
pain	125.00
Payment rules:	
<ol> <li>G387 is only insured for patients with central neuropathic pain who not responded to generally accepted medical therapy.</li> </ol>	have first undertaken but
2. The physician submitting the claim for this service must remain in a	
during the infusion and no part of the procedure may be delegated	
<b>3.</b> G387 is limited to a maximum of 6 per patient per 12 month period	
Medical record requirements:	
The medical record for the service must document the prior medical th	erapy that the patient did
not respond to or G387 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> .	
[Commentary:	
<ol> <li>Central neuropathic pain is pain caused by a primary lesion or dysfu central nervous system.</li> </ol>	unction that affects the
2. At the time of this amendment to the Schedule of Benefits, general	y accepted medical

- 2.At the time of this amendment to the Schedule of Benefits, generally accepted medical therapy that would be required prior to G387 is treatment with both a tricyclic antidepressant and at least one anticonvulsant.
- 3. For Intravenous drug test for pain, see Z811 p. X1.]

### SCLEROTHERAPY

Sclerotherapy is only insured for veins greater than 5 mm in diameter and associated with physical symptomatology and when *rendered personally by the physician*.

G536 Sclerotherapy including one post injection visit, unilateral	77.85
G537 Repeat sclerotherapy, unilateral	26.05

### Note:

- **1.**G536 and G537 include multiple injections and application of any necessary compression bandages.
- **2.**Professional and/or technical fees for obtaining and/or interpreting images for the purpose of guidance are *not eligible for payment* in addition to G536 and G537.
- 3. Assistant units nil for G536, G537.

### **INJECTIONS OR INFUSIONS**

Fee

#### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

#### For Management of parenteral alimentation

In addition to the *common elements*, this service includes the *specific elements* of assessments (see General Preamble GP15). Not to be claimed in addition to hospital visits.

G510 Management of parenteral alimentation - physician in charge	
per visit	21.00

#### **INJECTIONS OR INFUSIONS**

#### CHEMOTHERAPY

Chemotherapy (pharmacologic therapy of malignancy or autoimmune disease) - with administration supervised by a physician for intravenous infusion for treatment of malignant or autoimmune disease. The physician must be available to intervene in a timely fashion at the initiation and for the duration of the prescribed therapy to manage immediate and delayed toxicities.

Chemotherapy and patient assessment provided by a physician includes all patient assessments by any physician for a 24 hour period following treatment administration.

#### Note:

**1.**G381, G281, G345 and G359 are *only eligible for payment* with respect to the following classes of biologic agents:

a.monoclonal antibodies; and

b.cytokines.

**2.**G381, G281, G345, G359, G075 and G390 include venipuncture, establishment of any vascular access line and administration of agent(s).

#### [Commentary:

Examples that are not considered biologic agents for payment purposes are blood products, insulin, and immunizing agents.]

+ G381	Standard chemotherapy - agents with minor toxicity that	
	require physician monitoring	54.25
G281	- each additional standard chemotherapy agent, other than	
	initial agent	7.70

#### [Commentary:

Examples of standard chemotherapy agents include cyclophosphamide, methotrexate, fluorouracil, leucovorin, and zoledronic acid.]

G345 Complex single agent or multi-agent therapy – chemotherapy	
and/or biologic agent(s) that can cause vesicant damage,	
infusion reactions, cardiac, neurologic, marrow or renal	
toxicities that may require immediate intervention by the	
physician	75.00

#### [Commentary:

Examples of complex single agents include rituxamib, bevacizumab, trastuzumab, anthracyclines, bortezomib, taxanes, cisplatin, and etoposide fludarabine.]

G359 Special single agent or multi-agent therapy – chemotherapy and/or biologic agent(s) with major toxicity that require frequent monitoring and prolonged administration periods and may require immediate intervention by the physician . 105.15

#### [Commentary:

Examples of special agent therapy include high-dose methotrexate with folinic acid rescue, methotrexate given in a dose of greater than 1 g/m2, high dose cisplatin greater than 75 mg/m2 given concurrently with hydration and osmotic diuresis, high dose cystosine, arabinoside (greater than 2 g/m2), high dose cyclophosphamide (greater than 1 g/m2), ifosfamide with MESNA protection, combination of biologic agents with complex chemotherapy.]

INJECTIONS OR INFUSIONS	
	Fee
G075 Test dose (bleomycin and l-asparatiginase) once per patient per drug	30.50
G390 Supervision of chemotherapy for induction phase of acute leukemia or myeloablative therapy prior to bone marrow transplantation (maximum of 1 per induction phase or myeloablative therapy)	262.40
Monthly telephone supervision	
G382 Supervision of chemotherapy (pharmacologic therapy of malignancy or autoimmune disease) by telephone, monthly	13.95

#### INJECTIONS OR INFUSIONS

#### Management of special oral chemotherapy

This is the service for the supervision of oral chemotherapy treatment for malignant disease where the agent(s) has a significant risk of toxicity in the period immediately following initiation. The physician must be available to intervene in a timely fashion for a 24 hour period following the initiation of the treatment.

In addition to the *Common Elements* in this *Schedule*, this service includes the provision of the following services to the same patient:

- a. evaluation of any relevant laboratory, diagnostic and/or imaging investigations; and
- **b.** all discussion or advice, whether by telephone or otherwise, involving the patient, staff, patient's relative(s) or *patient's representative* related to the oral chemotharapy for a period of twenty-one (21) days following initiation of the agent(s).

#### Payment rules:

- **1.** G388 is *not eligible for payment* for the same patient in the same *month* where G382 is payable.
- **2.** G388 is *only eligible for payment* once every twenty-one (21) days to a maximum of six (6) services per patient per *12 month period*.

#### [Commentary:

Examples of special oral chemotherapy include fludarabine, imatinib, dasatanib, nilotinib, erlotinib, capecitabine, sunitinib, sorafenib, thalidomide, temazolamide and lenalidomide.]

### LABORATORY MEDICINE

#### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

In addition to the *common elements*, all services listed under Laboratory Medicine include the following *specific elements*:

- A. Interpretation of the results of the laboratory procedure.
- **B.** Providing a written interpretative report of the procedure to the referring provider, if other than the interpreting physician.
- **C.** Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for any aspect(s) of the *constituent elements* that is (are) performed at a place other than the place in which the laboratory procedure is performed.

#### DEFINITIONS

### L861 SURGICAL PATHOLOGY, LEVEL 1.

Gross examination without microscopic examination. This service includes any specimen for which, in the judgment of the examining physician, a diagnosis can be established by gross examination alone.

#### L862 SURGICAL PATHOLOGY, LEVEL 2.

Gross and microscopic examination for the purpose of confirming the identity of tissue and the absence of disease of the following specimens:

Appendix (incidental appendectomy); fallopian tube (sterilization); digit (traumatic amputation); hernia sac; hydrocele sac; nerve; skin (neonatal foreskin; plastic repair); sympathetic ganglion; testis (castration); vaginal mucosa (incidental); vas deferens (sterilization).

#### L863 SURGICAL PATHOLOGY, LEVEL 3.

Gross and microscopic examination of the following specimens:

Abscess; aneurysm; anal tag; appendix (other than incidental); artery or vein (atheromatous plaque; varicosity); Bartholin gland cyst; bone (other than pathologic fracture); bursa or synovial cyst; carpal tunnel tissue; cartilage (shavings); cholesteatoma; colostomy stoma; conjunctiva (pterygium); cornea; diverticulum (digestive tract); Dupuytren contracture tissue; femoral head (other than fracture); fissure or fistula; gallbladder; ganglion cyst; haematoma; haemorrhoid; hydatid of Morgagni; intervertebral disc; joint loose body; meniscus; mucocele (salivary); neuroma (traumatic; Morton); nasal or sinusoidal polyp (inflammatory); skin (acrochordon/tag; cyst; foreskin, other than neonate; debridement; pilonidal cyst or sinus); soft tissue (lip*oma*, debridement); spermatocele; tendon or tendon sheath; testicular appendage; thrombus or embolus; uterine contents (induced abortion); varicocele; vas deferens (other than sterilization).

#### LABORATORY MEDICINE

### L864 SURGICAL PATHOLOGY, LEVEL 4.

Gross and microscopic examination of the following specimens:

Artery (biopsy); bone marrow (biopsy); bone exostosis; brain or meninges (other than neoplasm resection); branchial cleft cyst; breast (biopsy, not requiring microscopic evaluation of surgical margin; reduction mammoplasty); bronchus (biopsy); cell block; cervix (biopsy); digestive tract (biopsy); endocervix (biopsy or curettings); endometrium (biopsy or curettings); extremity (traumatic amputation); fallopian tube (biopsy; ectopic pregnancy); femoral head (fracture); digit (non-traumatic amputation); heart valve; joint (resection); kidney (biopsy); larynx (biopsy); lip (biopsy; wedge resection); lung (transbronchial biopsy); lymph node (biopsy); muscle (biopsy); nasal mucosa, nasopharynx or oropharynx (biopsy); nerve (biopsy); odontogenic or dental cyst; omentum (biopsy); oral or gingival mucosa (biopsy); ovary with or without fallopian tube (non-neoplastic); ovary (biopsy, wedge resection); paranasal sinus (biopsy); parathyroid gland; pericardium (biopsy); peritoneum (biopsy); pituitary gland (neoplasm); placenta (other than third trimester); pleura (biopsy); polyp (cervical; endometrial; digestive tract); prostate (needle biopsy; transurethral resection); salivary gland (biopsy); skin (other than cyst / tag / debridement / plastic repair); synovium; spleen; testis (other than biopsy, castration or neoplasm); thyroglossal duct cyst; tongue (biopsy); tonsil or adenoid (biopsy); trachea (biopsy); ureter (biopsy); urethra (biopsy); urinary bladder (biopsy); uterine contents (spontaneous or missed abortion); uterine leiomyoma (myomectomy); uterus with or without tubes and ovaries (for prolapse); vagina (biopsy); vulva (biopsy).

### L865 SURGICAL PATHOLOGY, LEVEL 5.

Gross and microscopic examination of the following specimens:

Adrenal gland (resection); bone (biopsy or curettings, pathologic fracture); brain (biopsy); brain or meninges (neoplasm resection); breast (partial or simple mastectomy; excision requiring microscopic evaluation of surgical margin); cervix (conization); colon (segmental resection, other than neoplasm); extremity (non-traumatic amputation); eye (enucleation); kidney (partial or total nephrectomy); larynx (partial or total resection); liver (biopsy or wedge or partial resection); lung (wedge biopsy); lymph nodes (regional resection; sentinel); mediastinum (biopsy); myocardium (biopsy); odontogenic neoplasm; ovary *with or without* fallopian tube (neoplasm); pancreas (biopsy); placenta (third trimester); prostate (other than transurethral resection or radical resection); salivary gland; small intestine (resection, other than neoplasm); soft tissue mass (other than lipoma; biopsy or simple excision); stomach (partial or total resection, other than neoplasm); testis (biopsy); thymus (neoplasm); thyroid (partial or total thyroidectomy); ureter (resection); urinary bladder (transurethral resection); uterus *with or without* fallopian tubes and ovaries.

### Note:

**1.**For uterine leiomyoma or prolapse, see L864.

2.For uterine neoplasm, see L866.

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### L866 SURGICAL PATHOLOGY, LEVEL 6.

Gross and microscopic examination of the following specimens:

Bone (resection); breast (mastectomy with regional lymph nodes); colon (segmental resection for neoplasm); colon (total resection); extremity (disarticulation); fetus (with dissection); larynx (partial or total resection with regional lymph nodes); lung (partial or total resection); oesophagus (partial or total resection); pancreas (partial or total resection); prostate (radical resection); small intestine (resection for neoplasm); soft tissue neoplasm (extensive resection); stomach (partial or total resection for neoplasm); testis (neoplasm); tongue (resection for neoplasm); tonsil (resection for neoplasm); urinary bladder (partial or total resection); uterus *with or without* fallopian tubes and ovaries (neoplasm other than leiomyoma); vulva (partial or total resection).

### L867 SURGICAL PATHOLOGY

Gross and microscopic examination of specimens not listed in Levels 2 through 6.

#### Payment rules:

**1.** The unit of a service in Surgical Pathology and Cytopathology is a specimen. A specimen is tissue that is identified and submitted for individual and separate examination and diagnosis.

### [Commentary:

Surgical Pathology codes L861 through L866 denote increasing levels of physician work associated with examination of the specimens listed in the respective service code definitions.]

2. When the examination of a specimen requires any of the services listed under Special Procedures and Interpretation - Histology or Cytology, such services are eligible for payment in addition to any of the following services (when rendered):

a.services listed under Anatomic Pathology - Surgical Pathology,

b.services listed under Anatomic Pathology - Cytopathology; or

- **c.**a Diagnostic Laboratory Medicine Consultation (A585/C585) as listed in the "Consultation and Visits" section of the *Schedule*.
- **3.** Cytology smears fees are payable in each case for which the physician is responsible whether or not all slides are personally examined by the physician.

### [Commentary:

- **1.**For the *technical components* of Laboratory Medicine (L001 to L799 and L900 codes), please refer to the separate *Schedule* of Benefits for Laboratory Services.
- **2.**See section 37.1 of regulation 552 under the *Health Insurance Act* for additional information regarding payment and insurability of Laboratory services.]

### **Claims submission instructions:**

If multiple specimens are submitted from a single patient on the same occasion, assign each specimen the appropriate fee *schedule* code(s).

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### INTERPRETATION OF ANATOMICAL PATHOLOGY, HISTOLOGY AND CYTOLOGY

An	atomic Pathology - Surgical Pathology	
L861	Surgical Pathology, Level 1	5.20
L862	Surgical Pathology, Level 2	8.45
L863	Surgical Pathology, Level 3	14.30
L864	Surgical Pathology, Level 4	48.65
L865	Surgical Pathology, Level 5	103.20
L866	Surgical Pathology, Level 6	181.65
L867	Surgical Pathology, Unlisted specimens	46.65
L822 L823	Operative consultation, with or without frozen section - each subsequent frozen section or direct smear and/or selection of tissue for biochemical assay e.g. estrogen	77.20
	receptorsadd	38.25
L801	Metabolic bone studies	95.30
L833	Nerve teasing	140.75
An	atomic Pathology - Cytopathology	
L812	Cervical vaginal specimens including all types of cellular abnormality, assessment of flora, and/or cytohormonal evaluation	4.60
L805	Aspiration biopsy e.g. lung, breast, thyroid, prostate	90.85
L806	Bronchial, oesophageal, gastric, endometrial or other brushings and washings	36.35
L808	Imprint, touch preparation and/or direct smear	36.35
L815	Sputum per specimen for general and/or specific assessment e.g. cellular abnormalities, asbestos bodies, lipids,	
	haemosiderin.	36.35
L804	Smear, specific assessment e.g. eosinophils, asbestos bodies, amniotic fluid cells for estimation of fetal maturation	14.30
L810	Fluids e.g. pleural, ascitic cyst, pericardial, C.S.F., urine and	
	joint	25.00
L824	Synovial fluid analysis, including description, viscosity, mucin clot, cell count, and compensated polarized light	
1.005	microscopy for crystals	24.70
L825	Compensated polarized light microscopy for synovial fluid crystals	25.20
L819	Seminal fluid analysis for infertility, including count, motility and	12.60
1848	morphology Seminal fluid analysis - quantitative kinetic studies, including	13.60
L040	velocity linearity and lateral head amplitude	29.65
L820	Smear for spermatozoa	8.50

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•	togenetics	
	Smear for sex chromatin (Barr Body) or Neutrophil drumsticks	4.95
L811	Y chromosome	6.05
L803	Karyotype	73.95
-	ecial Procedures and Interpretation - Histology or Cytology	
L834	Histochemistry of muscle - 1 to 3 enzymes	15.60
L835	- each additional enzymeadd	15.60
L841	Enzyme histochemistry and interpretation - per enzyme	15.60
L837	Immunohistochemistry and interpretation - per marker	15.55
L868	Special histochemistry for identification of microorganisms	35.05
L869	Special histochemistry for identification of elements other than	
	microorganisms	15.55
L817	Anti-tissue antibodies and interpretation - per case	6.05
L842	- anti-tissue antibodies, screening dilution, titration and	
-	interpretation add	8.45
L849	Interpretation and handling of decalcified tissue	15.60
L843	Special microscopy of tissues including polarization,	
	interference phase contrast, dark field, autofluorescence or	
	other microscopy and interpretation	24.05
L844	Special microscopy of fluids (polarization, interference, phase	
	contrast, dark field, autofluorescence or other microscopy	
	and interpretation)	25.05
L845	Specimen radiography or microradiography and interpretation	10.40
L832	X-ray diffraction analysis and interpretation	23.70
L816	Electron microscopy by TEM, STEM or SEM technique	97.95
L831	- analytical electron microscopy, elemental detection or	
	mapping, electron diffraction, per caseadd	49.35
L836	Morphometry per parameter	24.70
	Flow cell cytometry and interpretation - per marker	12.60
L847		12.00
L047	tests for malignant hyperthermia	65.15
Ri	ochemistry and Immunology	00.10
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L827		5.30
L020	Interpretation of hormone receptors for carcinoma to include	7.95
	estrogen and/or progesterone assays	7.95
	ematopathology	00.70
	Blood film interpretation (Romanowsky stain)	22.70
L826	Blood film interpretation (special stain)	15.60
L802	Bone marrow interpretation (Romanowsky stain)	62.75
Z403	Bone marrow aspiration and/or core biopsy	101.25
L830	Terminal transferase by immunofluorescence	11.85
L838	Leukocyte phenotyping by monoclonal antibody technique	19.80
L829	Haemoglobinopathy interpretation (payable for abnormal	13.00
LUZU	results only)	25.00
	·	20.00

### LABORATORY MEDICINE

### LABORATORY MEDICINE IN PHYSICIAN'S OFFICE

#### **Definition:**

A laboratory service ("test") set out in this section is an insured service eligible for payment only when rendered by a physician ("the original physician"), or by a physician substituting for the original physician, who performs the test in the original physician's own office for the physician's own patient.

#### Note:

**Tests** listed under "Miscellaneous Tests" may be claimed by any physician. Tests listed under "Reproductive medicine" and "Point of care drug testing" are only payable to those physicians where point of care testing is necessary for their practice.

#### [Commentary:

- **1.**Fee codes listed in the separate *Schedule* of Benefits for Laboratory Services apply only to services provided by private laboratories licensed under the *Laboratory and Specimen Collection Centre Licensing Act.*]
- **2.** Any service listed in this section is not insured when rendered to support in-vitro fertilization services or artificial insemination services. See Regulation 552 section 24(1) paragraph 23 and 29 under the *Act*.]

#### Medical record requirements:

Laboratory services are *only eligible for payment* if the result of the test(s), the physician's interpretation of the results of the test(s) and the treatment decision based on the test results are documented in the patient's permanent medical record.

#### A. Reproductive medicine

G015 FSH (pituitary gonadotrophins)	11.37
G016 TSH (thyroid stimulating hormone)	9.82
G017 Prolactin	14.48
G018 Estradiol	28.44
G019 LH (luteinizing hormone)	9.31
G020 Progesterone	14.48
G021 HCG (human chorionic gonadotrophins) quantitative	15.51
Note:	
G021 is not eligible for payment for pregnancy tests. See G005.	
G022 Testosterone	14.48
G023 Testosterone, free	25.85
G024 Androstenedione	38.78
G025 Dehydroepiandrosterone sulphate (DHEAS)	20.68
G026 17-OH progesterone	31.02
G027 Seminal fluid examination (complete)	11.37
G028 Cervicovaginal mucous specimen for cellular analysis for	
postcoital testing	10.34
Note:	
G028 is not eligible for payment for obtaining, preparing or interpreting	a papanicolaou smear.
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G029 Anuthrombin III assay	28.44
G030 Circulating anticoagulant (e.g., lupus anticoagulant)	5.17

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G032 Anti-DNA	23.27
G033 Anti-RNA	23.27
G034 Serial tube 4 or more antigens	15.51
G035 Titre - serial tube single antigen	7.76
G036 Sperm antibodies – screen	10.34
G037 Sperm antibodies – titre	20.68

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B. Point of care drug testing		
G041 Target drug testing, urine, qualitative or quantitative per test	3.70	
G042 Target drug testing, urine, qualitative or quantitative per test	2.50	
[Commentary:		
G041 and G042 are tests for a specific drug of abuse.]		
G040 Drugs of abuse screen, urine, must include testing for at least four drugs of abuseper test	15.00	
G043 Drugs of abuse screen, urine, must include testing for at	15.00	
least four drugs of abuse per test	7.50	
[Commentary:		
Drugs of abuse <i>may include</i> any of the following: alcohol, methadone morphine, a synthetic or semi-synthetic opiate, cocaine, benzodiazep methamphetamines, cannabinoids, barbiturates or any other drug of a	ines, amphetamines,	
G039 Creatinine	1.03	
Payment rules:		
<ol> <li>For the purposes of opioid agonist maintenance treatment, G040, G042, G041 and G043 are only eligible for payment to a physician who has an active general exemption for methadone maintenance treatment or chronic pain treatment with methadone pursuant to Section 56 of the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act 1996.</li> </ol>		
<b>2.</b> G040 and G041 are limited to a maximum of five (5) services per patient (any combination) per <i>month</i> to any physician when K682 or K683 is payable.		
<b>3.</b> G042 and G043 are limited to a maximum of four (4) services per per <i>month</i> to any physician when K682 or K683 is payable.	patient (any combination)	
<b>4.</b> Any combination of G040, G041, G042 and G043 is limited to a maximum of three (3) services per patient per <i>month</i> for management of a patient with chronic pain, an addiction, or receiving opioid agonist treatment program where K682 or K683 is not payable in the <i>month</i> for the same patient to any physician.		
5. G040, G041, G042 and G043 are not eligible for payment unless K623 or K624 or a consultation, assessment or time-based service involving a direct physical encounter with the patient is payable in the same month to the same physician rendering the G040, G041,		
G042 or G043 service. 6. G039 is limited to a maximum of two (2) tests per patient per <i>week</i>	any physician	
<b>7.</b> G039 is only eligible for payment when rendered to rule out urine ta		
<b>8.</b> Only one of G040, G041, G042 or G043 is eligible for payment per		
C. Miscellaneous Tests		
G031 Prothrombin time	6.40	
G001 Cholesterol, total	5.70	
G002 Glucose, quantitative or semi-quantitative	2.26	
G481 Haemoglobin screen and/or haematocrit (any method or		
instrument)	1.37	
G004 Occult blood	1.58	
G005 Pregnancy test	3.88	

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#### **Payment rules:**

**1.** G005 is only insured when an immediate determination of pregnancy is required to prevent imminent physical harm to the patient.

G009	Urinalysis, routine (includes microscopic examination of centrifuged specimen plus any of SG, pH, protein, sugar, haemoglobin, ketones, urobilinogen, bilirubin)	4.45
G010	One or more parts of above without microscopy	2.64
G012	Fungus culture including KOH preparation and smear Wet preparation (for fungus, trichomonas, parasites) Rapid streptococcal test	13.05 1.93 5.70

#### Payment rules:

G009 and G010 are not insured when rendered for the monitoring of adverse effects resulting from a calorie restricted weight loss program.

### NEPHROLOGY

Fee

### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

### Nephrological management of donor procurement

In addition to the *common elements*, this service includes the following *specific elements*.

- **A.** Monitoring the life support systems of a neurologically dead donor to ensure adequate perfusion and oxygenation of the kidneys.
- **B.** Assessment of renal functions pre-nephrectomy, including the obtaining of specimens and interpretation of results and assessment as to potential recipients to be called in.
- **C.** Prescribing and providing appropriate pre-nephrectomy immunotherapy.
- **D.** Making arrangements for any related assessments, procedures or therapy, related to the harvesting of the organ(s).
- E. Discussion with and providing advice and information to the patient's family or representative, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service including advice unless separately billable, as to the results of such procedure(s) and/or related assessments as may have been performed.
- F. Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for the specific elements.

While no occasion may arise for performing elements C, D and E, when performed in connection with the other *specific elements*, they are included in the service.

G411	Nephrological management of donor procurement	192.10
# G347	Renal perfusion with hypothermia for organ transplantation	96.35
# G348	Renal preservation with continuous machine perfusion	96.35

### Nephrological component of renal transplantation

This applies to the service of being in constant or periodic attendance following transplantation, to provide all aspects of care to the renal transplant patient. This consists of an initial consultation or assessment and such subsequent assessments as may be indicated, including ongoing monitoring of the patient's condition and intervening as appropriate.

# G412	1st day following transplantation		311.90
# G408	2nd to 10th day, inclusive	per diem	155.90
# G409	11th to 21st day, inclusive	per diem	77.95

### **Payment rules:**

**1.** G412, G408, G409 are *not eligible for payment* following transplantation of an organ other than the kidney.

### Note:

G412, G408, G409 includes complete patient care.

## NERVE BLOCKS FOR ACUTE PAIN MANAGEMENT

### PREAMBLE

- 1. Nerve blocks listed in this section are eligible for payment only when rendered for acute pain management, including peri-operative or post-operative pain management as described below and where the nerve block has a duration of action of more than 4 hours. Acute pain is defined as pain that occurs with sudden onset and that is expected to resolve within 6 *week*s.
- 2. Nerve blocks rendered for acute pain with a duration of action of less than 4 hours, topical anaesthesia or local infiltration used as an anaesthetic for any procedure, are *not eligible for payment*.
- **3.** Except as described in paragraph 4, when a physician administers an anaesthetic, nerve block and/or other medication prior to, during, immediately after or otherwise in conjunction with a diagnostic, therapeutic or surgical procedure which the physician performs on the same patient, the administration of the anaesthetic, nerve block and/or other medication is *not eligible for payment*.
- **4.** A major or minor peripheral nerve block, major plexus block, neuraxial injection (*with or without* catheter) or intrapleural block (*with or without* catheter) for post-operative pain control (with a duration of action more than 4 hours) is eligible for payment as G224 when rendered in conjunction with a procedure which the physician performs on the same patient.
- **5.** When a physician renders an anaesthesia service in support of a procedure performed by another physician, a peripheral nerve block, plexus block, neuraxial injection or intrapleural injection using short-acting medication (with a duration of action less than 4 hours) is *not eligible for payment* in addition to the C-suffix anaesthesia service.
- 6. When a physician renders an anaesthesia service in support of a procedure performed by another physician, a peripheral nerve block, plexus block, neuraxial injection or intrapleural injection, listed in this section and performed for post-operative analgesia (with a duration of action more than 4 hours) is eligible for payment in addition to the C-suffix anaesthesia service.

### [Commentary:

- **1.**For the purposes of paragraph 6, only peripheral nerve blocks, plexus blocks, neuraxial injections or intrapleural injections listed in this section are eligible for payment. Nerve blocks listed elsewhere in the *Schedule* are not payable for acute pain management.
- **2.**For obstetrical continuous conduction anaesthesia, see P014C and P016C, listed in the Obstetrics section.]
- **7.** With the exception of a bilateral pudendal block (where only one service is eligible for payment) a nerve block is payable once per region per side where bilateral procedures are performed.
- 8. Notwithstanding maximums applicable to individual nerve block services, there is an overall maximum of 8 per patient per day for any combination of nerve blocks. The ninth and subsequent nerve blocks per patient per day are *not eligible for payment*. Nerve blocks which are defined as a bilateral procedure are counted as two services for the purpose of the overall daily maximum.
- **9.** Professional and/or technical fees for obtaining and/or interpreting images for the purpose of guidance (e.g. nerve stimulation, ultrasound, fluoroscopy) are *not eligible for payment* in addition to the injection services listed in this section.
- **10.** For anaesthesia services in support of a nerve block or interventional pain injection procedure performed by another physician, see General Preamble.
- **11.** Injection services listed elsewhere in the *Schedule* are *not eligible for payment* in addition to injections listed in this section for the same injection procedure.

## NERVE BLOCKS FOR ACUTE PAIN MANAGEMENT

### Neuraxial

# G248	Caudal, single injection	55.00
	Caudal/lumbar epidural with catheter	100.00
# G118	Thoracic epidural with catheter	130.00
# G062	Cervical epidural with catheter	160.00
G260	Major plexus block	80.00

### Payment rules:

**1.** The G260 service is a block of one of the following: brachial plexus, lumbar plexus, sacral plexus, deep cervical plexus, or a combined 3-in-1 block which must include the femoral, obturator and lateral femoral cutaneous nerves.

2. When a major plexus block is rendered, additional blocks of one or more nerves within the same nerve distribution are *not eligible for payment*.

### [Commentary:

If a peripheral nerve block is performed that is not within the same nerve distribution of a major plexus block, then both blocks are eligible for payment. For example, a sciatic nerve block performed in addition to a combined 3-in-1 block.]

**3.** When 2 or more nerve blocks of major and/or minor peripheral nerves that are within the distribution of a major plexus are rendered individually, only G260 is eligible for payment.

### [Commentary:

For example, if radial, median and ulnar nerve blocks are performed individually, only the brachial plexus block (i.e. major plexus block) is eligible for payment. If femoral, obturator and lateral femoral cutaneous blocks are performed individually, only the combined 3-in-1 (i.e. major plexus) block is eligible for payment.]

## Payment rules:

- 1. The G060 service must consist of one of the following:
  - **a.**a block of one of: radial, median, ulnar, musculocutaneous, femoral, sciatic, common peroneal and/or tibial, obturator, suprascapular, pudendal (uni or bilateral), trigeminal or facial nerve;

**b.**a paravertebral block – first injection only;

**c.**an ankle block (must include 2 or more of the following: deep peroneal, superficial peroneal, posterior tibial, saphenous or sural nerve); or

d.a fascia iliaca block.

- **2.** G060 is limited to a maximum of 4 services per patient per physician per day.
- **3.** When a major peripheral nerve block is rendered, additional blocks of one or more nerves within the same nerve distribution are *not eligible for payment*.

## NERVE BLOCKS FOR ACUTE PAIN MANAGEMENT

G061	Peripheral nerve block, minor
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## Payment rules:

**1.** The G061 service must consist of one of the following:

a.a block of one of: ilioinguinal and/or iliohypogastric, genitofemoral, lateral femoral cutaneous, saphenous, occipital, supraorbital, infraorbital or glossopharyngeal nerve;
 b an interpactal block;

**b.**an intercostal block;

c.a superficial cervical plexus block;

d.a transversus abdominis plane (TAP) block; or

- e.a paravertebral block additional injection.
- 2. G061 is limited to a maximum of 4 services per patient per physician per day.
- **3.** When a minor peripheral nerve block is rendered, additional blocks of one or more nerves within the same nerve distribution are *not eligible for payment*.

## Percutaneous nerve block catheter insertion for continuous infusion analgesia

## Payment rules:

- **1.** G279 is eligible for payment in addition to the applicable peripheral nerve or plexus block.
- **2.** G260 is *not eligible for payment* in addition to G279 when rendered for a continuous combined 3-in-1 block; G060 is eligible for payment in addition to G279 in this circumstance.
- **3.** No guidance (e.g. nerve stimulation, ultrasound) used for percutaneous nerve block catheter insertion is eligible for payment.

G066 Intrapleural block G067 Intrapleural block with continuous catheter	55.00 80.00
# G068 Epidural blood patch # G065 Epidural blood patch injected through existing epidural	125.00
catheter	62.50
G224 Nerve block by same physician performing the procedure	15.55

## [Commentary:

Refer to the Preamble of this section for additional information regarding G224.]

## Payment rules:

G247 is *only eligible for payment* to the physician most responsible, or to a physician substituting for the physician most responsible, for providing management and supervision of a:

- 1. continuous catheter infusion for analgesia for a hospital in-patient; or
- **2.** lumbar sub-arachnoid drainage catheter placed in association with a surgical procedure where there is increased risk of spinal cord ischemia.

## [Commentary:

G247 is not for visits to patients solely receiving intravenous pain management, such as patient controlled analgesia alone; a continuous nerve/plexus block or epidural/spinal catheter must be present for G247 to be payable.]

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30.00

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## DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC PROCEDURES

## NERVE BLOCKS FOR ACUTE PAIN MANAGEMENT

## Initiation of outpatient continuous nerve block infusion

The initiation of outpatient continuous nerve block infusion is the service rendered to prepare outpatients for discharge from hospital after the patient has had an insertion of a percutaneous nerve block catheter for continuous infusion analgesia or for outpatient palliative epidural infusion. The service includes an assessment of the patient and all procedures required to prepare the infusion, the infusion of medications and education or counselling of the patient, patient's relative(s), patient representative or other caregiver(s).

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### Note:

When rendered to a hospital in-patient, the service described by G063 is included in G247.

### Management and supervision of outpatient continuous nerve block infusion or outpatient palliative epidural infusion

In addition to the *common elements*, the components of this service include the following specific elements:

**A.** Monitoring the condition of a patient with respect to the continuous nerve block infusion.

- **B.** Adjusting the dosage of the infusion therapy and, where appropriate, prescribing other therapy.
- C. Discussion with, and providing advice and information to the patient, patient's relative(s), patient representative or other caregiver(s), by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service, regardless of the identity of the person initiating the discussion.
- **D.** Making arrangements for any related assessments, procedures or therapy and interpreting results as appropriate.
- **E.** Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for the *specific elements*.

G064 Management and supervision of outpat	ient continuous nerve	
block infusion	per day	20.00

### **Payment rules:**

- **1.** G064 is only eligible for payment when:
  - **a.** rendered by the physician most responsible for the patient's care or by a physician substituting for that physician (the "substitute physician"); and
  - b.the clinical decision(s) pertaining to the medical advice, direction or information provided is formulated personally by the physician or substitute physician.
- 2. G064 is only eligible for payment for a day when one or more components of element C are rendered in that day.
- 3. G064 rendered on the same day as a consultation or visit by the same physician is *not* eligible for payment.
- 4. G064 is limited to a maximum of 7 services per patient per G279 service.

### Medical record requirements:

A dated summary of each contact must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or the service is not eligible for payment.

## **NERVE BLOCKS - INTERVENTIONAL PAIN INJECTIONS**

### PREAMBLE

1. Injections listed in this section rendered for the diagnosis of pain-related conditions are *only eligible for payment* when rendered solely for the purpose of diagnosing the source of pain or developing a therapeutic treatment plan.

### [Commentary:

A repeat diagnostic pain-related injection on the same region is ideally rendered after 1 *week* of a previous diagnostic pain-related injection unless factors such as distance the patient has travelled for an assessment makes the ideal period impractical.]

- 2. Professional and/or technical fees for obtaining and/or interpreting images for the purpose of guidance are *not eligible for payment* in addition to the injection services listed in this section.
- **3.** For anaesthesia services in support of interventional pain injection procedures, see General Preamble Anaesthesiologist Services.
- **4.** Injections listed in this section include the injection of contrast, medication and/or other solution, unless separately listed.
- **5.** Injection services listed elsewhere in the *Schedule* are *not eligible for payment* in addition to injections listed in this section for the same injection procedure.

### [Commentary:

For example, joint injection fee codes G370 and G371 are *not eligible for payment* in addition to facet joint or sacroiliac joint injections listed in this section for the same injection procedure.]

- 6. If more than one procedure listed in this section is performed for the same patient on the same day, each procedure is *only eligible for payment* if rendered to diagnose or treat a separate condition.
- **7.** For the purposes of this section, the term "site" refers to the anatomic area described by the fee code descriptor.

### Medical record requirements:

Injections listed in this section are only eligible for payment if documentation clearly describes:

- **1.**the procedure performed, or where image guidance is used, images of final needle placement that clearly identify the site of injection and/or spread of contrast, when indicated; and
- **2.**the purpose of any diagnostic pain-related injection and the subsequent response to the procedure, indicating a positive or negative result.

## **NERVE BLOCKS - INTERVENTIONAL PAIN INJECTIONS**

### Vertebral facet injections

Percutaneous diagnostic injections with fluoroscopic guidance - facet medial branch block, facet joint injection or sacral lateral branch block.

G910 Cervical, first site	80.00
G911 Thoracic, first site	80.00
G912 Lumbar/Sacral, first site	80.00
G913 - each additional site, to G910, G911 or G912 add	20.00

### Percutaneous diagnostic lumbar facet medial branch block with ultrasound guidance

G914	First site	56.00
G915	- each additional site, to G914add	14.00

### [Commentary:

Ultrasound images must be of sufficient quality to clearly identify the injection site and needle placement at the junction of the transverse process and superior articular process.]

### **Payment rules:**

- **1.** G914 is *only eligible for payment* when a fluoroscopically guided facet injection has been rendered for the same site(s) within the previous *12 month period* by the same physician.
- 2. G913 and G915 are each limited to a maximum of 7 services per patient per day.
- **3.** G910, G911, G912 or G914 are each limited to 6 services per patient per *12 month period*. If, in the opinion of the treating physician, more frequent services are necessary, the physician may obtain written prior authorization from the *MOH*. Authorization will be dependent on the physician demonstrating that the increased frequency of the service is generally accepted as necessary for the patient under the circumstances.

### Percutaneous vertebral facet medial branch or sacral lateral branch neurotomy

# N556 First site # E396 - each additional site to N556add	142.80 6 71.40	
Sacroiliac joint injections G916 Percutaneous diagnostic and/or corticosteroid sacroiliac joint injection with fluoroscopic guidance, unilateral	75.00	
Nerve root injections	73.00	
G917 Percutaneous diagnostic selective nerve root block with fluoroscopic guidance, with or without contrast – any number of sites	160.00	
<b>Payment rules:</b> G917 is limited to a maximum of 1 service per patient per <i>week</i> and a maximum of 12 services per patient per <i>12 month period</i> .		
# N534 Percutaneous radio frequency posterior dorsal root rhizotomy -		

## NERVE BLOCKS - INTERVENTIONAL PAIN INJECTIONS

### Fee

### Epidural and spinal injections

Percutaneous epidural injections

# G246 Lumbar	150.00
# G117 Thoracic	170.00
# G119 Cervical	190.00
# G918 Caudal	74.20
E440 - with injection of contrast using fluoroscopy, to G246, G117, G119 or G918add	30.00
E441 - when performed at same level of previous spinal surgery, to G246, G117, G119 or G918add	16.60
E442 - when performed using a transforaminal technique, to G246, G117, G119 or G918add	20.00
E443 - with catheter for continuous infusion, to G246, G117, G119 or G918add	80.00
# E833 - with insertion of subcutaneous port, G117, G119, G246 or G918 add	116.10

### Payment rules:

1. Percutaneous epidural injections are limited to 12 services per patient per *12 month period* for any combination of G119, G117, G246 and G918. If, in the opinion of the treating physician, more frequent treatments are necessary, the physician may obtain written prior authorization from the *MOH*. Authorization will be dependent on the physician demonstrating that the increased frequency of the service is generally accepted as necessary for the patient under the circumstances.

**2.** G246, G117, G119 or G918 are *only eligible for payment* same patient same day with G236, G234 and G920 if rendered to diagnose or treat a separate condition.

### [Commentary:

The sympathetic block that may result from an epidural injection is not payable as G920, G234 or G236.]

**3.** G246, G117, G119 or G918 are *not eligible for payment* with any concurrent surgical procedure or any anesthetic fee, except for E030C or E031C when indicated as described in the General Preamble Anaesthesiologist Services.

### [Commentary:

- **1.**For initiation and management services for outpatient palliative epidural infusion, refer to G063 and G064 page J73.
- 2. For epidural blood patch, refer to G068 and G065 page J72.]

G245 Lumbar epidural or intrathecal injection of sclerosing solution	180.00
G239 Differential intrathecal spinal block	127.60
# G919 Percutaneous epidural adhesiolysis by infusion with	
fluoroscopic guidance	400.00

### Note:

G919 is only eligible for payment if the following conditions are met:

**1.** it is used for the treatment of epidural fibrosis with symptoms of persistent back or radicular/ neuropathic leg pain following spinal surgery;

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- **2.** the patient has had inadequate symptom control following fluoroscopically-guided epidural steroid injections to the suspected site of pain generation and there is no alternate primary diagnosis, such as facet-mediated or sacroiliac joint-mediated pain; and
- **3**.it is rendered with fluoroscopic guidance using:

a.a directional epidural catheter, with its final position confirmed using contrast;
b.hypertonic saline and hyaluronidase, which are infused for at least one hour; and
c.epidural corticosteroid, which is injected prior to catheter removal.

### [Commentary:

If any of these conditions are not met, epidural adhesiolysis is *only eligible for payment* using another appropriate epidural injection service listed above. For example, if performing an interlaminar lumbar adhesiolysis at a previous surgical site using a bolus-through-needle technique rather than an infusion, and hypertonic saline, hyaluronidase, local anesthetic and corticosteroid are injected following contrast injection to confirm needle placement, G246, E440 and E441 are eligible for payment.]

4.G919 is limited to a maximum of 4 services per patient per 12 month period.

**5.**G246, G117, G119, G918, G245, E440, E441, E442, E443 or E833 are *not eligible for payment* with G919 for the same procedure for which G919 is payable.

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## Sympathetic nerve injections

Percutaneous cervical sympathetic nerve block or Stellate ganglion bloc	:k
G920 - with ultrasound or fluoroscopic guidance, unilateral	80.00
G234 - without ultrasound or fluoroscopic guidance, unilateral	55.10
Percutaneous lumbar, thoracic or sacral sympathetic nerve block with flu	uoroscopic guidance

## Payment rules:

- 1. G920 and G234 are each limited to a maximum of one unilateral or one bilateral procedure per patient per day to a limit of 24 services for any combination of unilateral and bilateral procedures per patient per *12 month period*. G236 is limited to a maximum of one per patient per day to a limit of 12 per patient per *12 month period*. If, in the opinion of the treating physician, more frequent treatments are necessary, the physician may obtain written prior authorization from the *MOH*. Authorization will be dependent on the physician demonstrating that the increased frequency of the service is generally accepted as necessary for the patient under the circumstances.
- **2.** G920, G234 and G236 are *only eligible for payment* same patient same day with other nerve block and/or injection services if rendered to diagnose or treat a separate condition.
- 3. G234 is not eligible for payment with G920 same patient same day.
- **4.** The sympathetic block that may result from epidural, spinal, plexus and peripheral nerve blocks is not payable as G920, G234 or G236.

### Miscellaneous

# G374 I.V. regional guanethidine	54.30
Ganglion/Plexus injections	
G233 Percutaneous celiac, splanchnic or hypogastric ganglior plexus block with fluoroscopic guidance	
E444 - with radiofrequency ablation, to G233 add	150%
G217 Percutaneous trigeminal ganglion block with fluoroscopi guidance	
G232 Percutaneous spheno-palatine ganglion block with fluoroscopic guidance	150.00
E445 - when alcohol or other sclerosing solutions are used G920, G234, G236, G233, G217 or G232 add	
G921 Spheno-palatine ganglion block, transnasal topical, uni bilateral	
Payment rules:	

G921 is not eligble for payment same patient same day with G232.

## [Commentary:

For percutaneous provocation vertebral discography, refer to J006 Discogram page E4.]

## **NERVE BLOCKS - PERIPHERAL/OTHER INJECTIONS**

### PREAMBLE

- With the exception of G224 as described in the Nerve Blocks for Acute Pain Management section, when a physician administers an anaesthetic, nerve block and/or other medication prior to, during, immediately after or otherwise in conjunction with a diagnostic, therapeutic or surgical procedure which the physician performs on the same patient, the administration of the anaesthetic, nerve block and/or other medication is *not eligible for payment*.
- 2. Notwithstanding maximums applicable to individual nerve block services, there is an overall maximum of 8 per patient per day for any combination of nerve blocks. The ninth and subsequent nerve blocks per patient per day are *not eligible for payment*. Nerve blocks which are defined as a bilateral procedure are counted as two services for the purpose of the overall daily maximum.
- **3.** For anaesthesia services in support of a nerve block performed by another physician, see General Preamble.
- **4.** Professional and/or technical fees for obtaining and/or interpreting images for the purpose of guidance (e.g. nerve stimulation, ultrasound, fluoroscopy) are *not eligible for payment* in addition to the injection services listed in this section.
- **5.** Injection services listed elsewhere in the *Schedule* are *not eligible for payment* in addition to injections listed in this section for the same injection procedure.
- 6. Local infiltration used as an anesthetic for any procedure is not eligible for payment.

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G214 Brachial plexus	54.65
Femoral nerve	
G243 - unilateral	54.65
G244 - bilateral	81.95
Occipital nerve	
G264 - first block per day (maximum 1 per day to a maximum of 16 first blocks per calendar year)	34.10
G265 - each additional unilateral block following G264 per spinal level per day when G264 is payable in full (maximum 3 per day to a maximum of 48 additional blocks per calendar	
year)	17.10
G291 - first block per day in excess of 16 per calendar year may be payable on an independent consideration (IC) basis upon submission to the ministry of a written	
recommendation of an independent expert as described below. (maximum 1 per day to a maximum of 16 blocks for a single IC request). A new written recommendation is required on an IC basis each time the number of first	
<ul> <li>G292 - each additional unilateral block following G291 per spinal level per day when G291 is payable in full (maximum 3 per</li> </ul>	19.85
day)	10.00
Note:	
1.G265 and G292 are insured services payable at nil unless an amo	ount is payable for G264 or

G291 rendered to the same patient the same day.

- **2.**When an amount is payable for G264, the amount payable for G291 rendered to the same patient on the same day is nil.
- **3.** When an amount is payable for G265, the amount payable for G292 rendered to the same patient on the same day is nil.
- **4.** For the purpose of G291, independent expert in respect of a patient is a physician who:
  - **a.**has special knowledge and expertise in multidisciplinary management of chronic nonmalignant pain;

**b.**did not refer the patient for treatment;

- $\boldsymbol{c}.$  is not actively involved in management of the patient; and
- **d**.receives no direct or indirect financial benefit for the nerve block services being rendered to the patient.

## [Commentary:

See Appendix B regarding conflict of interest.]

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80.00

# Percutaneous nerve block catheter insertion for continuous infusion analgesia

G279 Percutaneous nerve block catheter insertion.....

## Payment rules:

- **1.** G279 is eligible for payment in addition to the applicable peripheral nerve or plexus block.
- **2.** No guidance (e.g. nerve stimulation, ultrasound) used for percutaneous nerve block catheter insertion is eligible for payment.

## [Commentary:

Maintenance of the catheter may constitute a subsequent visit subject to the limits as outlined on General Preamble GP43.]

G219Infraorbital	20 95 25
G221- for each additional oneadd16.9G258Intrapleural block (single injection)	95 25
G258 Intrapleural block (single injection)44.2G257 Intrapleural block (with the introduction of a catheter for the purpose of continuous analgesia)77.2G225 Mental branch of mandibular nerve34.2	25
G257 Intrapleural block (with the introduction of a catheter for the purpose of continuous analgesia)	-
G225 Mental branch of mandibular nerve	11-
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G250 Maxillary or mandibular division of trigeminal nerve	0
Obturator nerve	
G241 - unilateral	5
G242 - bilateral	5
G227 Other cranial nerve block	5
G228 Paravertebral nerve block of cervical, thoracic or lumbar or	
sacral or coccygeal nerves	0
G123 - for each additional one (to a maximum of 4) add 17.1	0
Pudendal	
G229 - unilateral	55
G240 - bilateral	5
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G240 - bilateral 82.4	
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Z804 Lumbar puncture	150.00
<ul> <li>Payment rules:</li> <li>1. Z804 is not eligible for payment with C-suffix anaesthesia servic procedures, obstetrical anaesthesia procedures or with epidural nerve block sections of the Schedule.</li> </ul>	
<ol> <li>Z804 includes injection of any medication or other therapeutic a lumbar puncture.</li> <li>Z804 includes image guidance if performed.</li> </ol>	gent introduced at time of
# G410 Amytal test (Wada)-bilateral - supervision and co-ordination of	
tests	68.40
# G413 Electrocorticogram - supervision and interpretation	170.85
Note:	
G413 payable at nil when claimed with G267 same patient, same o	day.
G419 Tensilon test # G551 Katzman test (subarachnoid infusion test) including lumbar	20.60
puncture	170.85
# G267 Intra-operative evaluation of movement disorder patient during functional neurosurgery	270.05
Note:	
G267 is not payable with assistant units.	
<ul> <li># G547 Clinical Programming of Deep Brain Stimulator (DBS) - includes one or more visits for DBS checking, minor and major DBS adjustments, and intensive programming. First implantation site (maximum 1 per patient)</li> <li># G549 - additional implantation site(s) (maximum 1 per patient)</li> </ul>	185.70 157.85
Electrophysiological assessment	
# G266 - of movement disorders - includes multi-channel recording of EEG and EMG, rectification, averaging, back averaging, frequency analysis and cross correlation. Minimum of 3 hours. Physician must be physically present throughout assessment	278.85
	210.00
<ul> <li># G548 - of Deep Brain Stimulators - includes measuring electrode impedance, recording EEG and EMG, rectification, averaging, frequency analysis and cross correlation. Minimum of 3 hours. Physician must be physically present</li> </ul>	
throughout assessment	278.85
G417 - inserting subtemporal needle electrodes add	15.90

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## ELECTROENCEPHALOGRAPHY

## Routine EEG

A routine EEG consists of at least a twenty minute recording with referential and bipolar montages and at least eight channels (except in neonates). Hyperventilation and photic stimulation should be done in all cases where clinically possible.

G414 Routine EEG - technical component	25.75	
G415 Routine EEG - professional component		23.15
G418 Routine EEG - professional component (16 - 21 channel EEG)		62.50

### Sleep-deprived/induced EEG

A sleep-deprived/induced EEG is an EEG recording (with or without video monitoring) performed after an overnight period of sleep deprivation of greater than 4 hours; or the administration of a sedative/hypnotic agent prior to the EEG recording for the purposes of sleep induction, and must include all of the following:

a.at least 60 minutes of EEG recording time;

b.a minimum of 16 channels of EEG; and

c.recordings of at least two physiological parameters.

G541	- technical component	41.20	
G543	- professional component		120.00

### EEG with time-locked video recording

An EEG with time-locked video recording must include all of the following:

- **a.** at least 30 minutes of EEG recording time;
- **b.** a minimum of 16 channels of EEG;
- c. recordings of at least two physiological parameters; and
- d. a time-locked video recording

### G541 - technical component

- professional component

41.20

G496

120.00

- Note:
- 1. The amount payable for a sleep-deprived/induced EEG, or an EEG with time-locked video recording that does not meet the above requirements will be reduced to that for a routine EEG fees (i.e. G414 and G415/G418).
- **2.**G414 is not eligible for payment with G541.
- 3. Only one of G415, G418, G543 or G496 are eligible for payment per day.
- **4.**EEG services (i.e. G414, G415, G418, G496, G541, G543, G540, G545, G542, G546, G554, G555, or G544) are not eligible for payment with any overnight or daytime sleep study (i.e. J898, J899, J990, J896, J897, J895, J890, J889, J893 or J894).

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## Prolonged EEG monitoring

Videotape recording of clinical signs in association with spontaneous EEG. Unit means ¼ hour or major part thereof. See General Preamble GP7 for definitions and time-keeping requirements. Payable at nil if claimed with any baseline EEG.
G540 - technical component ...... per unit 9.55
G545 - professional component ..... per unit 14.70
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G540 and G545 are each limited to a maximum of 12 units.

Radiotelemetry or portable recordings to monitor spontaneous EEG from a freely moving patient, add to routine fees.

G542	- technical component	24.40	
G546	- professional component		30.45

### **Ambulatory EEG monitoring**

This is to include 12 to 24 hours of EEG monitoring. The fee includes EEG electrodes and other physiological parameters felt necessary to arrive at an appropriate electrographic diagnosis.

G554 - technical component	48.90
G555 - professional component	120.00
Polygraphic recording of parameters in addition to EEG (such as EKG, muscle movements, etc.)	respiration, eye movement,
G544 - technical component, per itemadd	8.75
Note:	

G544 limited to a maximum of 3.

### [Commentary:

Examples of physiological parameters include ECG, respirations, EMG, extra-ocular movements, oxygen saturation, and temperature.]

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Upper or lower limbs		
G140 - technical component	42.40	
G138 - professional component		71.65
<b>Note:</b> When only one limb is tested, claim the applicable fee - G140 or (	G138 at 50%	<i>.</i>

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### ACQUIRED ACUTE BRAIN INJURY MANAGEMENT

### Definition/Required elements of service:

This is the service rendered by the neurosurgery specialist most responsible for management of a critically ill hospital in-patient with an acquired acute brain injury, where the neurosurgeon provides management:

- **a.** post-operatively for a patient who has received an endovascular intracranial surgical procedure during the same hospital admission but only if that procedure was not performed by any neurosurgeon; or
- b. for a patient who has not received an intracranial surgical procedure during the same hospital admission with the exception of Z820, Z812, N115, N139, N174, Z824, Z802, Z825, Z803.

### [Commentary:

- **1.**Examples of acquired acute brain injury include acutely raised intracranial pressure, subarachnoid, intracerebral or intraventricular haemorrhage, cerebritis, cerebral abscess, malignant cerebral edema, acute hydrocephalus, ventriculitis and trauma.
- **2.** If a neurosurgeon renders an intracranial surgical procedure not on the exception list above, Acquired Acute Brain Injury Management is not payable for a post-operative patient to any physician.]

This service has the same *specific elements* as consultations and assessments. In addition the service *may include* the following elements:

- **a.** An initial consultation or assessment and such subsequent assessments as may be indicated, including ongoing monitoring of the patient's condition and intervening as appropriate;
- **b.** management of coma and monitoring the life support systems to ensure optimum neurological perfusion and oxygenation;
- **c.** management of intracranial pressure (excluding insertion of I.C.P. or brain oxygen/pH measuring device) including monitoring, interpretation and drainage of cerebrospinal fluid when indicated;
- d. monitoring and management of cerebral vasospasm;
- e. prophylaxis and management of seizures;
- **f.** making arrangements for any related assessments, procedures or therapy, related to the patient's acute neurological deterioration, including decompressive craniectomy, cerebral angioplasty or evacuation of intracranial space occupying lesions;
- **g.** clinical and radiological assessment of the cervical spine and spinal cord for the determination of spinal stability;
- h. performance and/or arranging tests for the establishment of a diagnosis of brain death
- i. making referrals, when appropriate, to organ procurement professionals
- **j.** all related discussion, counselling and interviews with the patient's relative(s), patient's representative or other caregiver(s);
- k. All related case conferences.

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Acquired acute brain injury management		
G790 1st day	per diem	223.10
G791 2nd day to 30th day, inclusive	per diem	146.45
G792 31st day onwards	per diem	58.60

### Payment rules:

- **1.** Critical Care ICU per diem fees are not payable with G790, G791or G792 for the same patient, same day, same physician.
- **2.** Consultations, assessments or any time based service such as counselling or interviews or case conferences are *not eligible for payment* same patient, same day with G790, G791 or G792.
- **3.** G790 is only payable once per patient, per same hospital admission.
- 4. G791 and G792 are each only payable once per patient, per day.
- **5.** G790, G791 or G792 are *not eligible for payment* for stabilized patients, whether or not the patient is in an ICU.

OPHTHALMOLOGY Fee Anae Contact lens fitting - includes follow-up for 3 months except for patients under 4 G424 years of age at the time of the initial fitting ..... 201.00 - under general anaesthesia ..... add G431 41.60 6 [Commentary: Follow up services are payable in addition to contact lens fitting (G424) for children under 4 vears of age.] G423 One eye only, when the other eye has been previously fitted by the same physician, with follow-up for 3 months..... 90.30 Note: G424, G423 - Contact lens fitting is not a benefit except under certain specific conditions. Please check with the Ministry of Health Medical Consultant. G463 Hydrophilic Bandage lens fitting ..... 90.30 G453 Electro-oculogram - interpretation fee ..... 41.60 G426 Glaucoma provocative tests, including water drinking tests ... 9.70 G427 Ophthalmodynamometry ..... 9.60 Radioactive phosphorus examination - anterior approach ..... G429 42.45 G430 - posterior approach ..... 86.05 G421 Subconjunctival or sub-Tenons capsule injection ..... 27.70 Note: G429, G430, G421 - for bilateral procedures, add 50% of the listed benefit. + G435 Tonometry ..... 5.10

### Note:

G435 may not be claimed in conjunction with an ophthalmological consultation or specific assessment as this is included in these services.

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## Colour vision detailed assessment

<ul> <li>Colour vision detailed assessment (not to be claimed for screening HRR and University, etc.) only where underlying pathology is press that the following services are rendered: one of the screening tests following detailed tests: 100 Hue, D-15, Lathony New Colour Test of performed where underlying pathology is present or suspect. Not the screening test.</li> <li>G850 - technical component</li></ul>	ent or suspe s and at leas or anomalos	ected. Requires st two (2) of the scope test. To be
Dark adaptation curve (Goldmann adaptometer or equivalent)		
G851 - technical component G437 - professional component	32.30	22.90
Electro-retinography with report		
<ul> <li>G852 Full field or multi-focal electro-retinography - technical component</li> <li>G439 Full field electro-retinography - professional component</li> <li>G524 Multi-focal electro-retinography - professional component</li> </ul>	35.00	75.00 75.00
<b>Payment rules:</b> <b>1.</b> G852 is limited to 4 services per patient per <i>12 month period</i> .		
<ol> <li>G439 is limited to 2 services per patient per <i>12 month period</i>.</li> <li>G524 is limited to 2 services per patient per <i>12 month period</i>.</li> <li>G524 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> for the evaluation of disorders resolution vision function (i.e. cone function).</li> <li>Electro-retinography includes any pupil dilation and refraction n study.</li> </ol>		
Fluorescein angiography		
G853 - technical component G425 - professional component	23.20	44.40
	23.20	44.40
<ul> <li>G425 - professional component</li> <li>Fluorescein angioscopy</li> <li>G854 - technical component</li> <li>G444 - professional component</li> </ul>	23.20 6.80	44.40 7.00
G425 - professional component Fluorescein angioscopy G854 - technical component	6.80	7.00
<ul> <li>G425 - professional component</li> <li>Fluorescein angioscopy</li> <li>G854 - technical component</li> <li>G444 - professional component</li> <li>Note:</li> </ul>	6.80	7.00
<ul> <li>G425 - professional component</li> <li>Fluorescein angioscopy</li> <li>G854 - technical component</li> <li>G444 - professional component</li> <li>Note:</li> <li>G425, G853, G444, G854 - for bilateral procedures, add 50% of the second seco</li></ul>	6.80	7.00
G425 - professional component Fluorescein angioscopy G854 - technical component G444 - professional component Note: G425, G853, G444, G854 - for bilateral procedures, add 50% of the Hess screen examination G855 - technical component	6.80 ne listed ben	7.00 lefit.

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Visu	ual fields - kinetic (with permanent record)		
G857	- technical component	4.65	
G436	- professional component		14.50
Visu	ual fields - static		
or a i	sual fields static perimetry, is <i>only eligible for payment</i> where under suspected and the following services are rendered: permanent re minimum of 50 points per eye, quantification of deficient points ar liability.	ecord with m	neasurement of

G858	- technical component	14.05	
G432	- professional component		26.95

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### **Corneal pachymetry**

Corneal pachymetry – measurement of corneal thickness by any method for the purpose of identifying patients at risk for glaucoma on the basis of suspicious optic nerve and/or visual field testing and/or elevated intraocular pressure, and/or family history.

### **Payment rules:**

This service is limited to one per patient per lifetime. Services in excess of this limit, or rendered for any purpose other than identifying patients at risk for glaucoma, are not insured services.

### Keratometry

Keratometry - measurement of the central 4mm of the cornea for the purpose of assessing patients:

- **a.** with irregular astigmatism resulting from scarring due to trauma, herpes simplex keratitis, dystrophies (such as Salzman's and map-dot-fingerprint dystrophy) or other inflammatory disorders; or
- **b.** with keratoconus, pellucid marginal degeneration, keratoglobus, following penetrating keratoplasties or following pterygium excision, or
- **c.** with corneal thinning or ectasia where corneal cross linking is being contemplated or has been performed.

### **Corneal topography**

Corneal topography - topographical mapping of the cornea for the purpose of assessing patients with same indications as those set out above for keratometry.

### Payment rules:

G811 (keratometry) or G810 (corneal topography) rendered for other indications are not insured services.

### Specular photomicroscopy

Specular photomicroscopy – Examination of the cornea prior to intraocular surgery when affected by Fuch's corneal dystrophy, pseudophacic keratopathy, or other conditions that may compromise the corneal endothelium.

### Payment rules:

Specular photomicroscopy rendered for other indications is not an insured service.

Fe Optical coherence tomography (OCT) - retinal disease	e
G818 OCT unilateral or bilateral - retinal disease, when the physician interprets the results and either performs the procedure or supervises the performance of the procedure	5.00
Optical coherence tomography (OCT) - glaucomaG820 OCT unilateral or bilateral - glaucoma, when the physician interprets the results and either performs the procedure or supervises the performance of the procedure	5.00
G821 OCT unilateral or bilateral - active management of retinal disease with laser or intravitreal injections when the physician interprets the results and either performs the procedure or supervises the performance of the procedure 35	5.00
<ul> <li>G822 OCT unilateral or bilateral - active management with laser or intravitreal injections for neovascularization associated with: <ol> <li>retinal disease, e.g. wet acute macular degeneration;</li> <li>diabetic macular edema; or</li> <li>retinal vein occlusion</li> </ol> </li> <li>when the physician interprets the results and either performs the procedure or supervises the performance of the procedure</li></ul>	5.00
<ul> <li>Payment rules:</li> <li>1. G822 is limited to a maximum of 8 services per patient per 12 month period an of 16 services per patient for 24 consecutive months.</li> <li>2. G822 is only eligible for payment when the limit of any combination of G818, 0 is reached.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>G823 OCT unilateral or bilateral - evaluation of an infant/child/ adolescent with retinal disease and/or glaucoma (including genetic retinal anomalies and cancer), or low vision associated with or resulting in developmental delay when the physician interprets the results and either performs the procedure or supervises the performance of the procedure on a patient younger than 18 years of age</li></ul>	5.00
<ul> <li>Payment rules:</li> <li>1. G823 is limited to a maximum of 12 services per 12 month period.</li> <li>2. G818, G820, G821 and G822 are not eligible for payment when rendered on a younger than 18 years of age.</li> <li>Payment rules:</li> </ul>	a patient

### Payment rules:

- Except as described in payment rule #2, OCT is an insured service only:

   a.for the diagnosis and management of retinal disease and/or glaucoma; and
   b.when the ophthalmologist performing the service is the physician most responsible for the care of the patient's retinal disease and/or glaucoma.
- **2.** Any OCT service rendered in whole or in part for preparation related to cataract surgery is *not eligible for payment.*

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**3.** G818 is eligible for payment only for one or more of the following: **a.**hemorrhage or exudate in the macula on clinical examination;

**b**.retinal folds/wrinkling on clinical examination;

c.macular hole/pseudohole on clinical examination;

d.vision loss not explained by dilated clinical examination findings; or

- **e.**presence or reasonable suspicion of choroidal neovascular membrane, subretinal fluid or cystoid macular edema on clinical examination.
- **4.** G820 is eligible for payment only for one or more of the following:

**a.**suspicion of glaucoma based on optic nerve appearance on dilated clinical examination; **b.**suspicion of glaucoma based on visual field testing;

c.elevated intraocular pressure; or

d.history of glaucoma in an immediate family member.

**5.** G818, G820, G821, G822 or G823 is *only eligible for payment* when a consultation or assessment has been rendered by the same physician for the same patient in relation to the same condition for which OCT is being performed.

### [Commentary:

For every claim for G818, G820, G822 or G823 there must be a separate consultation or assessment claimed by the same physician, but the services do not necessarily have to be rendered on the same day.]

- 6. G820 is limited to a maximum of two services per patient per 12 month period.
- **7.** Any combination of G818, G820 or G821 is limited to a maximum of four services per patient per *12 month period*.
- 8. Only one of G818, G820, G821, G822 or G823 is eligible for payment per patient same day.

## **Orthoptic examination**

Orthoptic examination must include quantitative measurement of all cardinal positions of gaze (straight ahead, left, right, up, down, tilt right and tilt left), sensory testing for binocular vision suppression, cyclodeviation, retinal correspondence and interpretation. Orthoptic examination is eligible for payment in addition to an ophthalmology consultation or visit. The examination must be rendered by an orthoptist who is certified by the Canadian Orthoptic Council and employed by the ophthalmologist or a public hospital. The interpretation component of the examination must be personally rendered by the ophthalmologist.

### Note:

G814 is *only eligible for payment* when all tests described under orthoptic examination are rendered and the results and measurements are documented in the patient's permanent medical record.

## [Commentary:

If the interpreting ophthalmologist is also rendering the examination, the service should be claimed as A230.]

OPHTHALMOLOGY		
	Т	Р
Visual evoked response - simple		
G149 - technical component	18.55	
G147 - professional component		12.30
Visual evoked response - threshold		
G152 - technical component	31.80	
G150 - professional component		19.20

### OPHTHALMOLOGY

### **OCULAR PHOTODYNAMIC THERAPY (PDT)**

Ocular photodynamic therapy (PDT) is, subject to the limitations set out below, an insured service when rendered by an ophthalmologist. PDT must include completion and submission of patient registration and drug requisition forms, establishment of intravenous access, supervision of drug infusion and personal application of non-thermal diode laser for activation of verteporfin.

PDT is insured only if the patient's clinical condition meets all of the following:

- a. the patient has predominantly classic subfoveal choroidal neovascularization (CNV) secondary to either age-related macular degeneration (AMD), Presumed Ocular Histoplasmosis Syndrome or pathologic myopia. Predominantly means that the area of classic subfoveal CNV is equal to or greater than 50% of the total CNV lesion, as determined by fluorescein angiography and documented by retinal photographs retained on the patient's permanent medical record;
- b. treatment is commenced within 30 *months* after initial diagnosis of predominantly classic subfoveal CNV secondary to AMD, Presumed Ocular Histoplasmosis Syndrome or pathologic myopia;
- c. the patient's visual acuity is equal to or worse than 20/40; and
- **d.** for each repeat therapy, recurrent or persistent CNV leakage is detected by fluorescein angiography and documented by retinal photographs retained on the patient's permanent medical record.

If the patient's clinical condition meets all the above criteria but retinal photographs are not made prior to the procedure and retained on the patient's permanent medical record or the procedure is not performed by an ophthalmologist, then PDT is *not eligible for payment*. Maximum one PDT (unilateral or bilateral) per patient per day.

G460 Unilateral PDT per patient	per day	330.00
G461 Bilateral PDT per patient	per day	500.00

### Note:

- **1.**G379 rendered to same patient in conjunction with G460 or G461 is an insured service payable at nil.
- 2.G460 rendered to same patient same day as G461 is an insured service payable at nil.
- **3.**Assessments and angiography are payable in addition to PDT. Retinal photography is insured as a specific element of the assessment and is not payable separately.

### [Commentary:

- **1.**PDT will normally not be administered to each affected eye more frequently than once every 3 *months*.
- 2.PDT performed for treatment of clinical conditions other than described above is uninsured.]

OTOLARYNGOLOGY		
	Fee	
# G103 Debridement of maxillectomy cavity	6.05	
+ G420 Ear syringing and/or extensive curetting or debridement unilateral or bilateral	13.15	
<b>Note:</b> <b>1.</b> G420 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> when rendered in addition to Z906, Z90	7, Z908 or	Z913.

**2.**G420 is only insured when:

**a.**there is impacted ear wax resulting in hearing loss that is unresponsive to topical application of cerumenolytics; or

**b.**immediate removal of ear wax is medically necessary to visualize the tympanic membrane or the external ear canal for diagnostic and/or therapeutic purposes.

+ G403 Particle repositioning maneuvre for benign paroxysmal	
positional vertigo	21.15

## OTOLARYNGOLOGY

### PREAMBLE

### DIAGNOSTIC HEARING TEST

- **A.** Diagnostic hearing tests (DHTs) are identified for payment purposes as either basic or advanced DHTs.
- **B.** Basic DHTs are insured services payable at nil unless:
  - **1.** the *professional component* is rendered personally by a physician qualified by appropriate education or training and experience to perform basic DHTs (qualified physician); and
  - 2. the *technical component* is either rendered by a qualified physician or delegated by a qualified physician to a person who is either an appropriately qualified employee of the physician or is an audiologist who is a member of the College of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists of Ontario and employed by a public hospital.

C. Advanced DHTs are insured services payable at nil unless:

- 1. the *professional component* is personally rendered by an otolaryngologist or, for evoked audiometry, a neurologist or by a non-certified physician with equivalent post-graduate academic training (appropriate specialist or equivalent); and
- 2. the *technical component* is personally rendered by an appropriate specialist or equivalent, or delegated by an appropriate specialist or equivalent to an audiologist who is a member of the College of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists of Ontario and is employed by the appropriate specialist or equivalent or a public hospital.
- D. Physicians submitting claims for DHTs shall maintain written records of appropriate qualifications as indicated above for themselves and those employees to whom they may delegate the *technical component*. Such records must be made available to the ministry on request. In the absence of such records, the DHT is an insured service payable at nil.

### [Commentary:

- **1.**Delegated DHT services To qualify for payment, delegated DHT services must comply with the requirements for delegation of insured services described in the General Preamble GP62.
- **2.** Interpretation of DHT services To qualify for payment, the physician who claims the *professional component* must personally interpret the DHT and cannot delegate the interpretation to another person.
- **3.**Controlled Acts Communicating to the individual or his or her personal representative a diagnosis identifying a disease or disorder as the cause of symptoms of the individual in circumstances in which it is reasonably foreseeable that the individual or his or her personal representative will rely on the diagnosis, or prescribing a hearing aid for a hearing impaired person are controlled acts. If a physician interprets a diagnostic hearing test without communicating the diagnosis to the patient or his or her personal representative, a controlled *act* has not occurred.
- **4.** Fixed level screening audiometry is not an insured service.
- **5.**DHTs at the request of or arranged by third party, e.g. school boards, employers or WSIB etc. are not insured services. See Appendix A regarding third party service.]

OTOLARYNGOLOGY		
	Т	Р
BASIC DIAGNOSTIC HEARING TESTS		
Pure tone threshold audiometry with or without bone conducG440- technical componentG525- professional component	<b>tion</b> 10.85	5.85
Pure tone threshold audiometry (with or without bone conductive threshold and/or speech discrimination scores. G441 - technical component	<b>ction) and s</b> 18.90	speech reception
G526 - professional component	10.00	16.45
ADVANCED DIAGNOSTIC HEARING TESTS		
Impedance audiometry by manual or automated methods G442 - technical component G529 - professional component Note: G442, G529 <i>may include</i> stapedial reflex and/or compliance test	3.44 ting.	1.86
Sound field audiometry ( <i>infant</i> s and <i>child</i> ren) G448 - technical component G450 - professional component	22.90	5.70
<b>Note:</b> The amount payable is reduced to nil if any claim is submitted for rendered to the patient on the same day.	or G525, G4	41 or G526
Miscellaneous advanced testing e.g. recruitment, tests of main and stapedial reflex decay tests - per test	lingering, c	entral auditory
<ul><li>G443 - technical component, to a maximum of 1 per test</li><li>G530 - professional component, to a maximum of 1 per test</li></ul>	8.25	5.95
Cortical evoked audiometry G143 - technical component G141 - professional component Note:	38.00	19.15
For cortical evoked audiometry, multiple frequency, as required t	by WSIB - se	ee Appendix F.
Brain stem evoked audiometry		
G146 - technical component G144 - professional component	38.00	19.15

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38.00	19.15
19.60	20.90
19.60	18.30
	Fee 16.80 12.40 20.20
	19.60

### PALLIATIVE CARE

### TELEPHONE MANAGEMENT OF PALLIATIVE CARE

The provision by telephone of medical advice, direction or information at the request of the patient, patient's relative(s), *patient's representative* or other caregiver(s), regarding a patient receiving *palliative care* at *home*. The service must be *rendered personally by the physician* and is eligible for payment only when a dated summary of the telephone call is recorded in the patient's medical record.

### **Payment rules:**

- 1. This service is limited to a maximum of two services per week.
- **2.** This service is *not eligible for payment* if rendered the same day as a consultation, assessment, time-based service or other visit by the same physician.
- **3.** This service is *not eligible for payment* if a claim is submitted for K071 or K072 for the same telephone call.
- **4.** This service is *only eligible for payment* when rendered by the physician most responsible for the patient's care or by a physician substituting for this physician.

### [Commentary:

This service is *only eligible for payment* when the patient is receiving *palliative care* in either the patient's *home* or the *home* of a family member or other individual with whom the patient is residing. See definitions of "*home*" and "*palliative care*" in the Definitions section of the General Preamble.]

### PALLIATIVE CARE

### PALLIATIVE CARE CASE MANAGEMENT FEE

The service rendered for providing supervision of *palliative care* to a patient for a period of one *week*, commencing at midnight Sunday, and includes the following *specific elements*.

- **A.** Monitoring the condition of a patient including ordering tests and interpreting test results.
- **B.** Discussion with and providing telephone advice to the patient, patient's family or *patient's representative* even if initiated by the patient, patient's family or *patient's* representative.
- **C.** Arranging for assessments, procedures or therapy and coordinating community and hospital care including but not limited to urgent rescue palliative radiation therapy or chemotherapy, blood transfusions, paracentesis/thoracentesis, intravenous or subcutaneous therapy.
- D. Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for all elements of the service

### Payment rules:

- **1.** The service is *only eligible for payment* when rendered by the physician most responsible for the patient's care, or by a physician substituting for this physician.
- **2.** G511, K071 or K072 are *not eligible for payment* to any physician when rendered during a *week* that G512 is rendered.
- **3.** G512 is limited to a maximum of one per *week* (Monday to Sunday inclusive) per patient and, in the instance a patient is transferred from one *most responsible physician* to another, is *only eligible for payment* to the physician who rendered the service the majority of the *week*.
- **4.** In the event of the death of the patient or where care commences on any day of the *week*, G512 is eligible for payment even if the service was not provided for the entire *week*.

### [Commentary:

- **1.**Services not excluded in payment rule #2 such as assessments, subsequent visit fees, W010, K023, special visit premiums etc. remain eligible for payment when rendered with G512.
- 2. See the Definitions section of the General Preamble for the definition of palliative care
- **3.** This service is eligible for payment for services rendered to patients receiving *palliative care* in any location including their *home*, hospital, nursing *home* etc.]

### PHYSICAL MEDICINE



### NEEDLE ELECTROMYOGRAPHY AND NERVE CONDUCTION STUDIES

### PREAMBLE

- 1. When patients are referred directly to an electromyography (EMG) and/or nerve conduction studies (NCS) facility for diagnostic testing, then consultation or assessment by the diagnostic physician is *not eligible for payment* except where a medically necessary consultation or assessment is requested by the referring provider in addition to the EMG.
- 2. If a physician owns the EMG/NCS equipment and either employs and provides clinical supervision for a technician to perform the procedure or performs the procedure personally, then both the technical and the *professional component* are payable to the physician.
- **3.** Schedule A, Schedule B, Schedule C and Single Fibre Electromyography refer to procedures performed using intramuscular placement of a recording needle electrode. Claims for surface EMG or other EMG techniques are *not eligible for payment*.
- **4.** A nerve conduction study is a procedure using direct electrical stimulation of relevant peripheral nerve(s) with corresponding measurement(s) of evoked latency, conduction velocity, and amplitude using surface or percutaneous recording electrodes. Additional recordings, such as late responses or reflexes, are included in the service, if rendered. A permanent record of the procedure must be maintained in the patient chart.

### Schedule A

Complete procedure i.e. conduction studies on two or more nerves presumed to be involved in the disease process together with EMG studies of appropriate muscles, as necessary and/or detailed studies of neuromuscular transmission. It also includes as necessary study of normal nerve and/or opposite side for comparison.

G455	- technical component	28.90	
G456	- professional component		99.90

### Schedule B

Limited procedure i.e. conduction studies on a single nerve (motor and/or sensory conduction) and/or limited EMG studies of the involved muscle(s) and or limited neuromuscular transmission study.

G466	- technical component	19.45	
G457	- professional component		61.95

### PHYSICAL MEDICINE

### Schedule C

A complete procedure for complex neuromuscular disorders requiring a minimum of 60 minutes to perform the procedure that includes either:

- a. at least two motor and sensory NCS in each of three limbs; and
- b. needle EMG studies of at least two muscles in two separate segments.

or

- a. at least two motor and sensory NCS in two limbs;
- b. needle EMG studies of at least two muscles in each of two separate segments; and
- c. repetitive nerve stimulation studies of at least one nerve/muscle pair.

### Note:

For the purposes of G471/G473, the cranial, cervical, thoracic and lumbosacral regions represent separate segments.

G471	- technical component	28.90	
G473	- professional component, when physician performs EMG		
	and/or performs or supervises nerve conduction studies and		
	interprets the results		275.00

### **Payment rules:**

- 1. G473 is not eligible for payment with G456 or G457 same patient same day.
- 2. G471 is not eligible for payment with G455 or G466 same patient same day.
- **3.** G458 is eligible for payment in addition to G473 only when the time necessary to perform the G458 service is not included in the minimum time requirement for G473.

### Medical record requirements:

The start and stop time must be recorded in the patient's medical record or the service is *not eligible for payment*. See General Preamble GP7 and GP55 for definitions and time-keeping requirements.

### [Commentary:

Complex neuromuscular disorders where *Schedule* C nerve conduction studies/ electromyography may be appropriate include demyelinating neuropathies, mononeuritis multiplex, motor neuron disease, brachial/lumbosacral plexopathies and neuromuscular transmission disorders.]

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PHYSICAL MEDICINE	
	Fee
Single fibre electromyography	
G458 Single fibre electromyography	191.70
CHEMODENERVATION INJECTION	
Chemodenervation injection of individual peripheral motor nerve usir similar non-anaesthetic chemical agents for reduction of focal spasti electromyography (EMG) guidance of injection(s).	
G485 - first major nerve and/or branches	45.45
G486 - each additional major nerve and/or its branches same day	
add	28.50
Repeat or additional procedure within 30 days of previous chemo	odenervation injection
G487 - first major nerve and/or its branches	28.50
G488 - each additional major nerve and/or its branches same day	
add	18.80
Note:	
<ol> <li>Use nerve block listings under Nerve Blocks sub-section if anaest instead of phenol or alcohol or similar non-anaesthetic chemical a</li> </ol>	•

**2.**Chemodenervation injection into same muscle same day as botulinum toxin is an insured service payable at nil.

PSYCHIATRY AND RESPIRATORY DISEASE		
	Fee	Anae
PSYCHIATRY		
Electroconvulsive therapy (ECT) cerebral - single or multiple		
# G478 - in-patient	89.70	6
# G479 - out-patient	103.40	6
Note:		
Electrosleep therapy or Sedac therapy are not insured benefits.		
RESPIRATORY DISEASE		
G404 Chronic ventilatory care outside an Intensive Care Unit	61.00	
Note:		

Maximum 2 per *week*. Any other amount payable for consultations or assessments same patient, same physician, same day will be reduced to nil.

#### SLEEP STUDIES

For the purpose of sleep studies (including overnight sleep studies in non-specialized facilities, overnight sleep studies rendered in specialized facilities and daytime sleep studies),

*"CPSO* Standards" means the publication of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario entitled "Independent Health Facilities, Clinical Practice Parameters and Facility Standards, Sleep Medicine" in effect 6 *months* prior to the date upon which the sleep study was rendered.

"off-site premises" means off-site premises operated by a hospital corporation that has received approval under section 4 of the *Public Hospitals Act*.

"prior approval" means approved for payment as an insured service, before the service is rendered, by the Ministry of Health following assessment on a case-by-case basis in accordance with all medically relevant criteria.

#### [Commentary:

A "physician practicing sleep medicine" refers to a physician who meets the Medical Staff requirements as defined in Chapter 2 of the "Independent Health Facilities, Clinical Practice Parameters and Facility Standards, Sleep Medicine, September 2010 from the *CPSO*.]

#### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

Sleep Studies are divided into a *professional component* listed in the columns headed with a "P", and a *technical component* listed in the column headed with an "H" (the *technical component*).

The *specific elements* for the *technical component* H include the *specific elements* for the *technical component* of non-invasive diagnostic procedures listed in the Preamble to Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures.

If the physician is physically present during the study, the physician's physical presence is a specific element of the technical and *professional components*.

### OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

For services rendered outside a hospital or off-site premises, the only fees payable under the *Health Insurance Act* are for the *professional component* listed under the "P" column (use suffix C). Costs for the *technical component* of these services are only payable under the *Integrated Community Health Services Centres Act, 2023* and are listed in the Schedule of Facility Costs.

Sleep studies are subject to limits or maximums set out below. Unless otherwise specifically provided, service(s) in excess of limits are not insured services except when prior approval to exceed the limit is obtained from the *MOH*. Despite the foregoing, where prior approval to exceed a limit is not requested from the *MOH* but the service would otherwise satisfy one or more of the conditions for which prior approval to exceed the limit is routinely granted (had prior approval been requested) any service in excess of the limit is *not eligible for payment*.

### [Commentary:

For definitions of maximum and limits see GP7.]

#### **Claims submission instructions:**

Submit claims for *professional and technical components* separately. Submit claims for the *technical component* H using listed fee code with suffix B. Submit claims for *professional component* using listed fee code with suffix C. (e.g. J890C)

### **SLEEP STUDIES**

### **Technical Component**

### Payment rules:

The *technical component* of the procedure is eligible for payment only if it meets all of the following requirements:

- 1. It satisfies the conditions set out under "Diagnostic Services Rendered at a Hospital".
- 2. It is rendered at a hospital or off-site premises.
- **3.** A technician is in constant attendance with the patient(s) during the period of the sleep study.
- **4.** The qualifications of technical staff participating in the sleep study comply with the criteria set out in the *CPSO* Standards.
- 5. All equipment and test components comply with the criteria set out in the CPSO Standards.

### **Professional Component**

### Payment rules:

The *professional component* of any sleep study service is eligible for payment only if it meets all of the following requirements:

- **a.** The qualifications of the physician interpreting the sleep study comply with the criteria for physicians practicing sleep medicine set out in the *CPSO* Standards. The service, if delegated in whole or in part, is delegated to a physician whose qualifications comply with the criteria for physicians practicing sleep medicine set out in the *CPSO* Standards; and
- **b.**A physician meeting the qualifications above is accessible at all times during the sleep study;
  - i. to make applicable decisions about the patient in connection with the performance of the procedure; and
  - **ii.** to insure that all elements of the *technical component* of the procedure including setup and monitoring are carried out in accordance with generally accepted standards of practice as set out in the *CPSO* Standards.

### [Commentary:

**1.**Special visit premiums are *not eligible for payment* in conjunction with sleep studies.

**2.**Physical presence by the physician is not required. However, if the physician is physically present, the physician's physical presence is a specific element of the *technical* and *professional components*.]

### Medical record requirements:

- **1.**Records of the *technical component* must conform to the standards for facilities and facility operators (including records required prior to data analysis) as set out in the *CPSO* Standards, or the *technical component* is *not eligible for payment*.
- **2.**Records of the *professional component* must conform to the *CPSO* record standards (including records required at data analysis, and reports) as set out in the *CPSO* Standards, or the *professional component* is *not eligible for payment*.

### **SLEEP STUDIES**

### A. Incomplete overnight sleep studies

If the recording does not contain information sufficient for a diagnostic interpretation as determined in accordance with generally accepted standards as set out in the CPSO Standards, the professional fee is not eligible for payment and the service constitutes one of the following, as determined by time in bed (total study time):

J898	Sleep study less than 1 hour	92.65
J899	Sleep study between 1 and 4 hours	185.40
J990	Sleep study more than 4 hours	370.75

#### **Payment rules:**

- **1.** A maximum of one of any of J898, J899 and J990 is eligible for payment, per patient ,per facility, per *12 month period*.
- 2. J898, J899 and J990 are not included in the limits for overnight studies set out below.

B. Overnight sleep studies in non-specialized facilities

#### Level 1

Is an overnight sleep study with continuous monitoring of oxygen saturation, ECG and Ventilation (airflow and respiratory effort) and additional monitoring to stage sleep (including all of the following: EEG, EOG and sub-mental EMG).

#### Initial diagnostic study

"Initial diagnostic study" means the first overnight sleep study rendered to an insured person as an insured service in Ontario for the purpose of establishing the diagnosis of a sleep disorder (and includes a split night study). Every overnight diagnostic sleep study rendered before July 1, 2010 for which a claim was submitted and paid as an insured service under the *Health Insurance Act* constitutes an "initial diagnostic study" and is deemed to have been rendered on July 1, 2010.

#### Initial diagnostic study - Level 1

#### Note:

**1.**A maximum of one initial diagnostic study is eligible for payment per patient per lifetime.

**2.**All subsequent overnight sleep studies constitute "repeat diagnostic" or "therapeutic" studies.



**SLEEP STUDIES** 

## H P

## Repeat diagnostic study

"Repeat diagnostic study" means an overnight diagnostic sleep study rendered:

- **a.** for the purpose of obtaining a second opinion at a different facility than the facility where the preceding study was rendered, provided that the following conditions are met:
  - i. prior to the repeat diagnostic study, the patient has been assessed by a physician who practices sleep medicine at the different facility,

### [Commentary:

The different facility requirement above applies to a repeat diagnostic study rendered at a hospital, a hospital off-site premise or an *ICHSC*.]

- **ii.** where the previous study was rendered at an *ICHSC* and the repeat diagnostic study is rendered at a different *ICHSC* (the "different facility") than the *ICHSC* where the preceding study was rendered (the "first facility"), neither the owner nor the operator of the different facility is, at the time the repeat study is rendered, an associate of the owner or operator of the first facility, where "associate" has the same meaning as in the *Integrated Community Health Services Centres Act, 2023*; or
- **b.** for one or more of the following purposes, after pre-study assessment by a physician practicing sleep medicine:
  - i. re-evaluation of a previous negative or inconclusive diagnostic sleep study as indicated by persistent or progressive symptoms;
  - **ii.** re-evaluation, other than primarily for Positive Airway Pressure therapy (PAP) adjustment, of patients previously diagnosed with a primary sleep disorder in which there has been symptom development suggesting another co-morbid sleep disorder; or
  - **iii.** re-evaluation of patients with an established diagnosis of a sleep disorder other than a sleep related breathing disorder who have significant symptom progression or non-response to therapy.

## [Commentary:

- **1.** In the case of patients with previously diagnosed sleep related breathing disorders, although PAP treatment may be adjusted during a repeat study, a repeat study is *not eligible for payment* if rendered primarily for PAP treatment adjustment.
- **2.**Examples of sleep disorders other than a sleep related breathing disorder are Narcolepsy, Idiopathic hypersomnia and Periodic Limb Movement Disorder.]

## Repeat diagnostic study - Level 1

J897 - diagnostic study...... 370.75 97.50

## Payment rules:

- **1.** Repeat diagnostic studies are limited to one per patient, per facility, per *12-month period* except where prior approval has been given.
- 2. Repeat diagnostic studies performed in the same facility that performed the initial diagnostic study are *not eligible for payment* in the *12 month period* following an initial diagnostic study except where prior approval has been given.

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#### Therapeutic study

Except as described in note #3 on page J112, "Therapeutic Study" means a sleep study rendered after pre-study assessment by a physician practicing sleep medicine, for any of the following purposes:

**a.** To establish optimal settings for nasal positive airway pressure therapy (CPAP/BiPAP/ASV etc.) and/or oxygen therapy for sleep related breathing disorders;

#### [Commentary:

Examples of sleep related breathing disorders are obstructive sleep apnea syndrome (OSAS), central sleep apnea syndrome (CSAS), Cheyne-Stokes breathing, complex sleep apnea syndrome, or hypoventilation syndromes.]

- b. To evaluate the response to surgical procedures for the treatment of OSAS;
- c. To determine the efficacy of oral appliance therapy for OSAS;
- d. To evaluate the efficacy of positional therapy for the treatment of OSAS;
- e. To evaluate the efficacy of substantial weight loss for the treatment of OSAS; or
- **f.** To titrate ventilatory settings for patients with respiratory control disorders, neuromuscular or neurodegenerative diseases.

SLEEP STUDIES			
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Therapeutic study for sleep related breathing disorders - Level 1			
J895 - therapeutic study	370.75	97.50	

#### **Payment rules:**

- **1.** There is a limit of one therapeutic study per patient during any two consecutive *12 month periods* except where prior approval has been given.
- **2.** J895 rendered to the same patient during the same 12 hour period as J896 or J897 is *not eligible for payment.*

### [Commentary:

Subject to the prior approval requirements, an additional therapeutic study in excess of the above limits may be payable when necessary to evaluate a change in the treatment modality for a sleep related breathing disorder.]

#### Note:

- **1.**For payment purposes, repeat diagnostic studies or therapeutic studies for indications or in circumstances other than listed above, or in excess of the limits set out above require prior approval.
- **2.** A repeat diagnostic study rendered without the required pre-study assessment by a physician practicing sleep medicine, is *not eligible for payment*.
- **3.** A therapeutic study rendered without a pre-study assessment by a physician practicing sleep medicine is *not eligible for payment* except:
  - **a.**For the therapeutic study that immediately follows an initial diagnostic or repeat diagnostic study where:
    - i. the time interval is such that it is unlikely the clinical circumstances of the patient has changed; and
    - **ii.** the physician practicing sleep medicine has previously assessed the patient and documented the applicable decisions with respect to the performance of the therapeutic study; or
  - **b.**In exceptional circumstances where the physician can demonstrate to the ministry upon request that the *CPSO* standards are satisfied with the use of a clinical protocol or approved medical directive.

### [Commentary:

- 1. An example of an exceptional circumstance may be where a patient is required to travel a long distance to a sleep facility and requires an initial diagnostic or repeat diagnostic study followed by a therapeutic study on a subsequent night. For payment purposes, a pre-study assessment by a physician practicing sleep medicine is not required provided the therapeutic study is rendered in accordance with a clinical protocol or medical directive that has been approved by an authority other than a physician affiliated with the sleep facility (e.g. a Medical Advisory Committee for a sleep clinic affiliated with a hospital). The physician should be prepared to provide any necessary supporting documentation to the ministry upon request.
- **2.**Prior approval, where required, will typically be dependent on the physician demonstrating that the study is generally accepted as necessary for the patient under the circumstances.
- **3.** Sleep studies that require prior approval also require a pre-study assessment by a physician practicing sleep medicine. It is this assessment upon which the request for prior approval is considered.

## **SLEEP STUDIES**

## H P

- **4.**Prior approval requires a written request accompanied by supporting documentation including the pre-study assessment and the relevant previous sleep study reports.
- **5.**Split-night sleep studies are claimed as J896 or J897 only, as appropriate to the study rendered.]

**SLEEP STUDIES** 

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C. Overnight sleep studies rendered in specialized facilities

A specialized facility is:

- **a.** a facility where patients are on ventilatory support and that specializes in the treatment of adults with conditions such as amyotropic lateral sclerosis or polio; or
- **b.** a paediatric hospital where there is a Paediatric ICU and that treats *child*ren with respiratory control disorders.

#### Level 1

Overnight sleep study with continuous monitoring of oxygen saturation, ECG and Ventilation (airflow and respiratory effort) and additional monitoring to stage sleep (including all of the following: EEG, EOG and sub-mental EMG).

#### Specialized facility diagnostic study

J890	- diagnostic study	370.75	97.50
Spe	ecialized facility therapeutic study		
J889	- therapeutic study	370.75	97.50
Pa	ayment rules:		
1	1880 rendered to the same nation during the same 12 - hour	nariad as	1800 is not a

- J889 rendered to the same patient during the same 12 hour period as J890 is not eligible for payment.
- 2. Except where prior approval is given, overnight sleep studies rendered in specialized facilities are limited to two per patient, per 12 month period for any combination of such studies.
- **3.** For services rendered on or after July 1, 2010, the *12 month period* is determined from July 1, 2009 onwards.

#### D. Daytime sleep studies

J893	Multiple sleep latency test	68.95	49.90
J894	Maintenance of wakefulness test	68.95	49.90

### Payment rules:

- **1.** J894 rendered to same patient same day as J893 is not eligible for payment.
- 2. A maximum of one J893 and a maximum of one J894 are payable per 12 month period per facility per patient.
- **3.** If the recording does not contain information sufficient for a diagnostic interpretation as determined in accordance with CPSO Standards, the service is not eligible for payment.
- 4. EEG services (i.e. G414, G415, G418, G541, G543, G540, G545, G542, G546, G554, G555, or G544) are not eligible for payment with any overnight or daytime sleep study (i.e. J898, J899, J990, J896, J897, J895, J890, J889, J893 or J894).

UROLOGY		
	Fee	Ρ
# G900 Residual urine measurement by ultrasound	12.70	
Note:		
Residual urine measurement by ultrasound (G900) is <i>not eligible for payme</i> ultrasound of the pelvis, intracavity ultrasound, G192 - G194, or G475 wher and/or voiding pressure studies are rendered.		
[Commentary:		
G475 is payable with G900 when uroflow studies are performed (flow rate v postural studies) with residual urine measurement by ultrasound.]	vith or witho	ut
+ G475 Cystometrogram and/or voiding pressure studies and/or flow		
rate with or without postural studies and/or urethral pressure		
profile including interpretation	23.75	
G192 Video fluoroscopic multichannel urodynamic assessment to include monitoring of intravesicular, intra-abdominal, and urethral pressures, with simultaneous fluoroscope imaging		
and recording of filling and voiding phases including		
interpretation	73.65	
# G193 Complete multichannel urodynamic assessment - to include monitoring of intravesicular, intra-abdominal, and urethral		
pressures, with or without pressure-flow studies	43.85	
# G194 - with EMGadd	8.35	
G477 Interpretation of comprehensive urodynamic studies (when the		
procedure is done by paramedical personnel)		5.40
+ G476 Prostatic massage	5.40	

NOT ALLOCATED

#### PREAMBLE

#### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

In addition to the *common elements*, most obstetrical services have the same *specific elements* as other services listed elsewhere in the *Schedule*.

Obstetrical Care includes the following kinds of services:

- **a.** Prenatal visits (major or minor or high risk) and postnatal care in the office are assessments (see General Preamble GP21).
- **b.** Labour-Delivery services have the *specific elements* of *IOP* Surgical Procedures identified with prefix # (see Surgical Preamble SP1).
- **c.** Anaesthetic services have the same *specific elements* as other services provided by an anaesthesiologist (see General Preamble GP92).
- **d.** Postnatal care in hospital/*home* (P007) is the initial assessment of a well patient postpartum with subsequent assessments of the well patient in the hospital or *home* until the patient's first visit to the physician's office. The *specific elements* for each visit are those for assessments (see General Preamble GP21).
- e. Attendance at labour is a service of being in constant or periodic attendance on a patient, during stages one and two of labour but without completion of the delivery, to provide all aspects of care. This includes the initial assessment, and such subsequent assessments as may be indicated, including ongoing monitoring of the patient's conditions, intervening except where intervention is a separately billable service. The *specific elements* are those of assessments (see General Preamble GP21) except element H, but include providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for any aspects of the *specific elements* of the service that are performed outside the place in which the encounter(s) with the patient occurs.
- **f.** Attendance at delivery, *specific elements* as for Surgical Assistants' Services (see General Preamble GP85).

For all other procedures listed in this section the *specific elements* are those of *IOP* surgical procedures identified with prefix # (see Surgical Preamble SP1) except for removal of Shirodkar suture for which the *specific elements* are those for surgical *IOP* procedures not identified with prefix #.

Fee *schedule* codes listed below which do not include providing all premises, equipment and personnel used to perform the *specific elements* of the service are identified with prefix #.

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#### OTHER TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

1. A prenatal major assessment includes a full history, and an examination of all parts or systems (and *may include* a detailed examination of one or more parts or systems), an appropriate record and advice to the patient. All other prenatal visits include the necessary history, examination, appropriate record and advice to the patient. All prenatal visits (major and minor and high risk) include pregnancy-related counselling as a form of providing advice to the patient or the *patient's representative*.

A prenatal general assessment is payable after another general assessment only if the reason for the first assessment does not pertain to the establishment of the antenatal care.

Normal (uncomplicated) prenatal care includes a prenatal general assessment visit, then *month*ly visits to 28 *week*s, followed by visits every 2nd *week* to 36 weeks, then weekly visits until delivery. However, complicated pregnancies may require additional visits. Labour, delivery and postpartum care are listed separately.

- 2. If an uncomplicated obstetrical patient is transferred from one physician to another physician for obstetrical care, the appropriate assessment benefit may be claimed by the second physician, followed by prenatal visits. This statement does not apply to physicians substituting for each other or when the second physician sees the patient for the first time in labour. If the obstetrical patient is referred to a consultant for obstetrical care because of the complexity, obscurity or seriousness of the case, the consultant may claim a consultation in addition to the prenatal visits.
- **3.** Illnesses resulting from or associated with pregnancy or false labour requiring added *home* or hospital visits, shall be claimed on a per visit basis.
- **4.** When a pregnant patient visits her physician for a condition unrelated to her pregnancy and apart from her routine *schedule*d prenatal visits, the physician may claim the appropriate assessment.
- **5.** Fee *schedule* codes in this section are subject to the provisions of the Surgical Preamble where applicable.
- 6. An assessment is payable for illness resulting from, or associated with, pregnancy or false labour even if the patient progresses to delivery within the next two days. This does not apply to patients who are assessed in the first stage of labour and admitted, or are transferred, to the delivery room from the antenatal floor in labour.
- 7. The listings under the heading Referred Services may be claimed by the consultant physician in addition to the appropriate consultation or visit fee. They may not be claimed by physicians providing obstetrical care to their own patients.
- **8.** If a consultant is requested by another physician to perform a surgical induction of labour, or emergency removal of a Shirodkar suture (except at delivery) assuming someone else has inserted the suture, the consultant should claim a consultation fee for this(these) service(s).
- **9.** Medical induction or stimulation of labour may be claimed once per pregnancy by any one physician and only when carried out for a recognized obstetrical complication(s). The fee listed is applicable regardless of the time spent by the physician, therefore, detention may not be claimed.

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- **10.** The listings for "Attendance at labour and delivery" and for "Attendance of obstetric consultant(s) at delivery" may not be claimed by any physician when a patient is transferred to a second physician for normal obstetrical care.
- **11.** Ordinary immediate care of the *newborn* is included in the labour-delivery fee and when the service is rendered by the anaesthetist, it is included in the anaesthetic benefit. A life threatening emergency situation requiring active resuscitation of the *newborn* provided by any physician may be claimed under codes G521, G522, G523. When indicated, endotracheal intubation and tracheo-bronchial toilet should be billed under G211 and not as G521, G523.
- **12.** When an obstetrician routinely transfers all *newborns* to another physician, the latter may not claim a consultation for these *transferals*. If the baby is well, the physician should claim *newborn* care in hospital plus attendance at maternal delivery (H007/H267) if this service is provided. If the baby is sick, the physician may claim a general assessment and attendance at maternal delivery (H007/H267) if this services are required.
- 13. If an obstetrician who normally cares for *newborns* him/herself or transfers the care of newborns to a family physician, refers a *newborn* to a paediatrician because of the complexity, obscurity or seriousness of the case, the latter may claim for this service according to the following guidelines:
  - **a.** If attendance at maternal delivery is provided, C263 may be claimed in addition to H267 if a general assessment of the baby is carried out. A postnatal consultation of the baby, (C265) may not be claimed in addition to attendance at maternal delivery (H267).
  - **b.** If attendance at maternal delivery (H267) is not provided, a postnatal consultation (C265) may be claimed, if rendered, whether or not a prenatal consultation has already been claimed.
- **14.** Physicians may claim for assisted breech delivery (P020) when the service includes spontaneous delivery to the umbilicus, with extraction of the shoulders, arms and head.
- **15.**See General Preamble GP104 for After Hours Premiums.
- **16.** If claims are being submitted in coded form, the obstetrician should add the suffix "A" to the listed procedural code, the assistant should add the suffix "B" to the listed procedural code, and the anaesthetist should add the suffix "C" to the listed procedural code.

PRENATAL CARE	Asst Surg Anae
	Asst Surg Anae
P003 General assessment (major prenatal visit)	80.35
Antenatal preventative health assessment	
The service rendered by the <i>most responsible physician</i> for conduct antenatal risk. The review must examine all current psychosocial, ge affecting antenatal risk and must be documented in writing in the pa record. Maximum once per pregnancy. P005 rendered same patient as any other consultation or visit except P003 and P004 is an insure	enetic and medical issues tient's permanent medical same day same physician
P005 Antenatal preventative health assessment	47.70
P004 Minor prenatal assessment	38.15
High risk prenatal assessment	
A high risk prenatal assessment is an assessment by a maternal-fet requiring a minimum of 20 minutes in direct contact with the patient documented significant maternal and/or fetal risk factor(s) where the significant risk for serious complications during the pregnancy.	for the management of a
P002 High risk prenatal assessment	74.70
<b>Medical record requirements:</b> The service is eligible for payment only if start and stop times of the spatient's permanent medical record.	service are recorded in the
Medical management of early pregnancy - initial service	
Medical management of early pregnancy - initial service when a phy assessment and administration of cytotoxic medication(s) for the ter pregnancy or missed abortion. The cost of the drug(s) is not include	mination of early

A920 Medical management of early pregnancy - initial service ....... 161.15

### Payment rules:

Services described as consultations, assessments or counselling (and those procedures that are generally accepted components of this service) are *not eligible for payment* when rendered the same day to the same patient by the same physician as A920.

### Medical management of ectopic pregnancy – initial service

Medical Management of ectopic pregnancy – initial service when a physician renders an initial assessment and administration of cytotoxic medication(s) for the termination of an ectopic pregnancy. The cost of the drug(s) is not included in the fee for the service.

A922 Medical management of ectopic pregnancy - initial service .... 207.80

### Payment rules:

Services described as consultations, assessments or counselling (and those procedures that are generally accepted components of this service) are *not eligible for payment* when rendered the same day to the same patient by the same physician as A922.

## [Commentary:

As with all insured services, A920 and A922 must be provided in accordance with professional standards - such as those published by the Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada.]

PRENATAL CARE	
As	st Surg Anae
Medical management of early or ectopic pregnancy - follow-up visi	t
Medical management of early or ectopic pregnancy - follow-up visit is up of A920 or A922, whether rendered by the same physician who ren service or by another physician.	
A921 Medical management of early or ectopic pregnancy - follow-up visit	36.85
<ul> <li>Payment rules:</li> <li>1.Services described as consultations, assessments or counselling (ar are generally accepted components of this service) are <i>not eligible f</i> rendered the same day to the same patient by the same physician a</li> </ul>	<i>for payment</i> when
<ol> <li>A921 is limited to two per patient per pregnancy. Services in excess adjusted to another assessment fee.</li> </ol>	of this limit will be
P001 Medical management of non-viable fetus or intra-uterine fetal demise between 14 and 20 weeks gestation	399.00
<b>Payment rules:</b> <b>1.</b> P001 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> if the length of gestation is confirmed	ed by ultrasound.
2. Services described as consultations, assessments or counselling (ar are generally accepted components of this service, including cervica infusion if rendered) are not eligible for payment when rendered the patient by the same physician as P001.	al ripening and oxytocin

3.Z774 is eligible for payment in addition to P001 if uterine curettage is required for postpartum hemorrhage due to retained products.

#### [Commentary:

P001 is only payable for the active medical management of the patient. It is not payable when the fetus delivers spontaneously prior to initiating intervention.]

LABOUR - DELIVERY			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
# P006 Vaginal		498.70	
# P020 Operative delivery, i.e. mid-cavity extraction or assisted breech delivery		535.60	6
# E502 - vaginal birth after caesarean section (VBAC) whether successful or unsuccessfuladd		51.00	
<b>[Commentary:</b> P006 and P020 include the repair of a tear or episiotomy extensior when rendered.]	ı, first o	r second de	gree,
# P018 Caesarean section	6	579.80	7
# P041 Caesarean section including tubal interruption	6	609.20	7
# P042 Caesarean section including hysterectomy	8	1004.60	8
# E500 - for the third and each subsequent delivery, subject to the payment rules set out below, for each additional delivery, to			
P006, P018, P020, P041 or P042add		148.60	

# E499 - for the second caesarian delivery, subject to the payment rules set out below, to P018, P041 or P042 .....add 397.75

### Payment rules:

**1.** For vaginal deliveries of two or more *infant*s, P006 or P020 as appropriate is eligible for payment for the first delivery, in addition to 85% of P006 or P020 as appropriate for the second delivery, and E500 for the third and each subsequent delivery.

- **2.**For vaginal delivery of the first *infant* followed by caesarean section, one of P018, P041 or P042 as appropriate is eligible for payment, in addition to 85% of P006 or P020 as appropriate, and E500 for the third and each subsequent delivery.
- **3.** For multiple deliveries by caesarean section only (*with or without* trial of labour), one of P018, P041 or P042 as appropriate is eligible for payment, in addition to E499 for the second delivery and E500 for the third and each subsequent delivery.
- **4.**Despite payment rules above, for spontaneous vaginal deliveries between 20 and 23 weeks gestational age, only P006 is eligible for payment, regardless of the number of fetuses delivered.
- **5.** Despite payment rules above, for multiple deliveries by caesarean section only between 20 and 23 weeks gestational age, only one of P018, P041 or P042 as appropriate is eligible for payment, in addition to E499 for the second delivery. E500 is *not eligible for payment* for the third or subsequent deliveries.
- 6. For delivery of one or more fetuses known to be stillborn in addition to delivery of one or more live fetuses, only the delivery of live fetuses is eligible for payment in accordance with the payment rules above. If all fetuses are known to be stillborn, only one of P006, P018, P020, P041 or P042 as appropriate, is eligible for payment.

#### Attendance at labour

P038 - when patient transferred to another centre for delivery .... 211.20

### Attendance at labour and delivery

Payable to a physician other than an obstetric consultant for attending labour and delivery when the physician either assists at vaginal delivery or surgery, gives anaesthetic at a caesarean section or operative delivery, or resuscitates the *newborn*.

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#### Asst Surg Anae

#### Note:

Anaesthesia or Assistant units are *not eligible for payment* when the same physician claims P009 on the same patient.

#### [Commentary:

See Obstetrics Preamble p. K1, paragragh "e" for the services included in attendance at labour. P009 or P038 is not payable if any of these component services of attendance at labour are not rendered.]

P010 Attendance of obstetric consultant(s) at delivery ...... 211.20

#### Note:

Amount payable for attendance of a physician other than an obstetric consultant at only delivery is nil.

#### Special visit for first obstetrical delivery with sacrifice of office hours

Payable in addition to first obstetric delivery in calendar day. Maximum of one per physician per calendar day. See General Preamble GP65 for definition of special visit.

C989	<ul> <li>special visit for first obstetrical de</li> </ul>	livery with sacrifice of	
	office hours	add	76.40
Sole	e delivery premium		
Pa	yable in addition to labour and deliver	ry fees P006A, P009A, E414, P0 <sup>2</sup>	18A, P020A, P038A or
P0	41A if sole delivery in calendar day, to	o maximum of 25 sole delivery pr	emiums per physician
pe	r fiscal year.		
<b>E</b> 111	solo delivery promium	add 100%	

E411 - sole delivery premium ...... add 100%

#### LABOUR - DELIVERY

### Asst Surg Anae

#### High risk obstetrical premium

Payable in addition to labour and delivery procedures when at least one of the following conditions are present: fetal prematurity (<32 weeks gestational age), severe pregnancy induced hypertension, intrauterine growth retardation (IUGR) less than 10th percentile, or significant placental insufficiency as demonstrated by absent umbilical vessel flow or reverse systolic/diastolic (S/D) ratio.

# E414 High risk obstetrical premiumadd	62.05	
# P045 Repair of third degree tear or episiotomy extension, must include repair of perianal sphincter and perineum	82.15	6
# P046 Repair of fourth degree tear or episiotomy extension, must include repair of rectal mucosa, perianal sphincter and perineum	200.00	6

#### Note:

- **1.**Repair of a tear or episiotomy extension that does not extend into the perianal sphincter (third degree) is included in the labour and delivery fee (P006 and P020) and does not constitute P045 or P046.
- **2.**Repair of the superficial transverse perineal muscle constitutes a repair of a second degree tear or episiotomy extension and does not constitute P045 or P046.

#### Claims submission instructions:

Claims for P046 submitted by a provider with a specialty other than Obstetrics and Gynecology (20) must be submitted for manual review.

# Z774	Postpartum haemorrhage - exploration of vagina and cervix,		
	uterine curettage	113.65	6
P007	Postnatal care in hospital and/or home	55.15	
P008	Postnatal care in office	36.85	

#### **REFERRED SERVICES - WHEN ONLY SERVICES(S) RENDERED**

#### **Repair of laceration**

# P036	- vaginal	54.40	6
# P039	- cervical	54.40	6
# P029	Manual removal of retained placenta	54.40	6

OBSTET	RICAL ANAESTHESIA			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
# P013	Obstetrical anaesthesia		-	6
Con	tinuous conduction anaesthesia - see General Preamble GP9	5		
# P014C	<ul> <li>introduction of catheter for labour analgesia, including the first dose of medication with or without any combined spinal- epidural injection(s)</li> </ul>		-	7
# P016C	<ul> <li>maintenance of obstetrical epidural anaesthesia (one unit for each ½ hour to a maximum of 12)</li> </ul>		-	
# E100C	attendance at delivery		-	4

### Payment rules:

- **1.** Anaesthesia extra units listed on GP97 are *not eligible for payment* with P014C except for E010C, E022C and E017C.
- 2.Z804 is not eligible for payment with P014C or P016C.
- **3.**Anaesthesia extra units listed on GP97 are *not eligible for payment* with P016C or E100C.
- **4.**E100C time units are payable for time spent in constant attendance at delivery, exclusive of time spent engaged in any separately payable services except for P016C. Start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.
- **5.**E100C time units for attendance at delivery are calculated as 4 basic units and 1 unit for each 1/4 hour.

### [Commentary:

Anaesthesia extra units listed on GP97 are eligible for payment with other C-suffix anaesthesia service rendered the same day as P014C/P016C/E100C, unless otherwise listed.]

HIGH R	RISK PREGNANCIES			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
# Z776	Fetal blood sampling		40.80	
# Z773	Fetoscopy (may include fetal blood sample, cell harvest or amniocentesis or cordocentesis)		165.40	
# Z734	Double set up examination to rule out placenta previa, or trial of forceps - failed leading to caesarean section (same physician)		58.00	
# P030	Cervical ripening using topical, oral or mechanical agents, maximum once per pregnancy. Payable in conjunction with P023		58.60	
Ν	lote:			

### Note:

Cervical ripening rendered to same patient same day by same physician as a consultation or visit is an insured service payable at nil.

# P023	Oxytocin infusion for induction or augmentation of labour	67.75
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### Note:

See Obstetrics preamble #9.

### Non stress test

Payable only for high risk pregnancies - must include interpretation of trace, discussion with patient and providing a written report to be retained in the patient's permanent medical record and *may include* application of the fetal monitor and data acquisition. Maximum one per patient per day.

# P025 Non stress test		9.65	
# Z721 Pharmacological suppression of premature labour by I.V. therapy to be claimed once per physician after 3 hours of			
supervision in same institution		67.75	
# Z775 Pharmacological management of P.I.H. and toxemia by I.V			
therapy to be billed once per patient, per pregnancy		67.75	
# Z778 Amniocentesis - diagnostic or genetic		102.00	
# Z779 Chorionic villus sampling		153.00	
# P031 Prophylactic cervical cerclage - any technique	6	145.10	6
# P032 Emergency cervical cerclage when the external os is open to 2			
cm or more and the membranes visible or prolapsed, any			
technique	6	250.00	6
[Commentary:			
If the criteria for cervical cerclage listed under the definition of P032	2 are no	ot met,	
submit claims using P031.]			
UVC Elective removal of Shirodkar suture		visit.fee	
# P034 Uterine inversion, manual replacements		125.75	6
# Z777 Breech presentation - external cephalic version with or without			
tocolysis - to be claimed in hospital after 35 weeks, once per			
pregnancy		60.35	
Note:			
Listings for ectopic pregnancy, hysterotomy, abortion and postpart	ım tuhal		are

Listings for ectopic pregnancy, hysterotomy, abortion and postpartum tubal interruption are listed under the Female Genital System - Corpus Uteri.

MATERNAL - FETAL PROCEDURES			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
# P050 Therapeutic amnio-reduction	6	248.85	6
# P051 Percutaneous fetal blood transfusion - into fetal hepatic vein.	8	348.40	8
# P052 Percutaneous fetal blood sample - from umbilical cord or fetal	6	199.10	6
hepatic vein # P060 Percutaneous amnioinfusion	6	248.85	6
Fetal management			
# P053 - selective fetal reduction of one or more fetuses by bipolar or	-		
unipolar cautery of umbilical cord	6	248.85	6
<ul> <li># P054 - selective fetal reduction of one or more fetuses by intracardiac potassium chloride injection</li> </ul>	6	248.85	6
	0	240.05	0
Insertion of fetal shunt			
# P055 - bladder to amniotic cavity	8	398.10	8
# P056 - chest to amniotic cavity	8	398.10	8
# P057 Fine needle fetal body cavity aspiration from fetal abdomen, chest, heart, bladder and/or renal tract	6	199.10	6
# P058 In-utero ligation of umbilical cord vessels	8	464.45	0 8
# P059 In-utero placental vessel ablation by YAG laser	8	464.45	8

#### Note:

Procedures listed under Maternal - Fetal Procedures are payable in addition to J149 Ultrasonic Guidance and/or Z552 Diagnostic Laparoscopy, where applicable.

NOT ALLOCATED

### SPECIFIC ELEMENTS

In addition to the common elements, all surgical services include the following specific elements.

- A. Supervising the preparation of and/or preparing the patient for the procedure(s).
- **B.** Performing the procedure(s), by any method, or assisting another physician in the performance of the procedure and carrying out appropriate recovery room procedures, being responsible for the transfer of the patient to the recovery room, ongoing monitoring and detention during the immediate post-operative and recovery period.
- **C.** Making arrangements for any related assessments or procedures, including obtaining any specimens from the patient and interpreting the results where appropriate.
- **D.** Where indicated, making or supervising the making of arrangements for follow-up care, and postprocedure monitoring of the patient's condition, including intervening, until the first post-operative visit.
- **E.** Discussion with, providing any advice and information, including prescribing therapy, to the patient or *patient's representative*, whether by telephone or otherwise, on matters related to the service.
- F. Providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for the *specific elements*:
  - a. for services not identified with prefix #, for all elements; or
  - **b.** for services identified with prefix #, for any aspect(s) of A, C, D and E that is(are) performed in a place other than the place in which the surgical procedure(s) is performed.

#### SURGICAL SERVICES WHICH ARE NOT LISTED AS A "Z" CODE

In addition to the above, the fee for this service includes the following:

1. Pre-operative Care and Visits

Pre-operative hospital visits which take place 1 or 2 days prior to surgery.

#### 2. Post-operative Care and Visits

Post-operative care and visits associated with the procedure for up to two *weeks* post-operatively, and making arrangements for discharge, to a hospital in-patient except for:

- **a.** the first and second post-operative visits in hospital (payable at the specialty specific subsequent visit fee); and
- **b.** subsequent visit by the *Most Responsible Physician* (*MRP*) day of discharge (C124).

The *specific elements* for pre- and post-operative visits are those for assessments.

#### [Commentary:

For surgical services not listed with a "Z" code, C122 or C123 (subsequent visit by the *MRP* - day following, or second day following the hospital admission assessment) and C142 or C143 (first and second subsequent visits by the *MRP* following transfer from an Intensive Care Area/ Neonatal Intensive Care) are *not eligible for payment* to the surgeon for visits rendered either 1 or 2 days prior to surgery or in the first two *weeks* following surgery.]

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#### OTHER TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

### FOR DEFINITION OF THE ROLE OF THE SURGICAL ASSISTANT - SEE GENERAL PREAMBLE GP85. FOR DEFINITION OF THE ROLES OF THE ANAESTHESIOLOGIST - SEE GENERAL PREAMBLE GP92.

With the exception of the listings in the "Consultations and Visits" section, all references to surgeon in this *Schedule* are references to any physician performing the surgical procedure.

1. If the surgeon is required to perform a service(s) not usually associated with the original surgical procedure, he/she may claim for these on a fee-for-service basis.

If special visits to hospital are required at any time post-operatively, the surgeon may claim the minimum special visit premiums even if the basic hospital visit fees may not be claimed (under these circumstances the hospital visits should be claimed on an N/C (\$00.00) basis).

The surgical benefit as noted above does not include the major pre-operative visit - i.e. the consultation or assessment fee which may be claimed when the decision to operate is made and the operation is *scheduled*, regardless of the time interval between the major pre-operative visit and surgery.

The hospital or day care admission assessment (consultation, repeat consultation, general or specific assessment or re-assessment, partial assessment) may not be claimed by the surgeon unless it happens to be the major pre-operative visit as defined above.

Routine subsequent hospital visits may be claimed for visits rendered more than two days prior to surgery. Other visits (excluding admission assessments) prior to admission may be claimed for in addition to the surgical fee.

Because the number of hospital visits is limited to three per *week* after the fifth *week* of hospitalization and six per *month* after the thirteenth *week* of hospitalization, the starting point for calculating the number of hospital visits is based on the date of admission if the operating surgeon has admitted the patient or the date of *referral* if the patient has been referred to the operating surgeon while in hospital.

The listed benefit for a procedure normally includes repair of any iatrogenic complications occurring during the course of the surgery performed by the same surgeon. Other major interventions should be handled on an individual basis. The surgical benefit includes the generally accepted surgical components of the procedure.

- **2.** When a physician makes a special visit to perform a non-elective surgical procedure, he/she may claim the following benefits for procedures commencing:
  - a. 07:00h -17:00h Monday to Friday
     A consultation (if the case is referred) or the appropriate assessment, the appropriate special visit premium plus the procedural benefit.
  - **b.** 17:00h 07:00h Any night or on Saturdays/Sundays or *Holiday*s A consultation or assessment, the appropriate special visit premium, the procedural benefit plus the surgical premium E409 or E410.

(see General Preamble GP65 to GP78 and GP104).

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- **3.** When more than one procedure is carried out by a surgeon under the same anaesthesia or within 14 days during the same hospitalization for the same condition, the full benefit applies to the major procedure and 85% of the listed benefit(s) applies to the other procedure(s) performed unless otherwise stated in the Preamble(s) or *Schedule*. The above statement applies to staged or bilateral procedures but does not apply when a normal appendix or simple ovarian or para-ovarian cyst is removed incidentally during an operation, for which no claim should be made.
- **4.** When a subsequent operation becomes necessary for the same condition because of a complication or for a new condition, the full benefit should apply for each procedure.
- **5.** When a subsequent non-elective procedure is done for a new condition by the same surgeon, the full benefit will apply to each procedure. When a subsequent elective procedure is done for a different condition within 14 days during the same hospitalization by the same surgeon, the benefit for the lesser procedure shall be reduced by 15%.
- 6. When different operative procedures are done by two different surgeons under the same anaesthesia for different conditions, the benefit will be 100% of the listed benefit for each condition. Under these circumstances, the basic assistant's benefit should not be claimed by either operating surgeon; however time units may be claimed.
- **7.** As a general rule, when elective bilateral procedures are performed by two surgeons at the same time, one surgeon should claim for the surgical procedures and the other surgeon should claim the assistant's benefit.
- 8. Where two surgeons are working together in surgery in which neither a team fee nor other method of billing is set out in the benefit *schedule*, the surgeon should identify him/herself as the operating surgeon and claim accordingly; the surgeon who is assisting the operating surgeon should identify him/herself as such and claim the assistant's benefit.

Where the second or assistant surgeon is brought into the case on a consultation basis, he/she may, when indicated, claim a consultation as well but should be prepared to justify it on an IC basis.

Except where otherwise provided in this *Schedule*, if the nature or complexity of a procedure requires more than one operating surgeon, each providing a separate service in his/her own specialized field, e.g. one surgeon carries out the ablative part and another surgeon the reconstructive part of the procedure, then each surgeon should claim the listed benefit for his/ her services. This statement applies when the additional procedure(s) are not the usual components of the main procedure. If one surgeon, in addition to performing a specialized portion of a procedure, acts as an assistant during the remainder of the procedure, he/she may also claim time units for assisting.

When surgical procedures are rendered to trauma patients who have an Injury Severity Score (ISS) of greater than 15 for individuals age 16 or more, or an Injury Severity Score (ISS) of greater than 12 for individuals less than age 16, and it is required that two surgeons perform components of the same procedure, the full surgical fee for that procedure is payable to each surgeon.

#### [Commentary:

The full surgical fee is payable to each surgeon for surgical procedures rendered either on the day of the trauma or within 24 hours of the trauma.]

- 9. Unless otherwise stated, the listed benefits are for unilateral procedures only.
- **10.** When a procedure is performed, a procedural benefit, if listed, should be claimed. Substitution of consultation and/or visit benefits for procedural benefits (except as in paragraph 11), is not in keeping with the intent of the benefit *schedule*.
- **11.** When a surgical benefit (non-*IOP*, Complete Care, Fracture or Dislocation) is less than the surgical consultation benefit, and the case is referred, a physician may claim a surgical consultation benefit instead of the surgical benefit. However, to avoid the consultation being counted as such under the Ministry of Health limitation rules on the number of consultations allowed per year, the physician should claim the consultation fee under the surgical procedure nomenclature or code. Since the consultation is replacing a procedural benefit which includes the pre- and post-operative and surgical care, no additional claims beyond the consultation should be made.
- **12.** If a physician performs a minor surgical procedure and during the same visit assesses and treats the patient for another completely unrelated and significant problem involving another body system, the physician should claim for the procedure as well as the appropriate assessment.
- **13.** Where a procedure is listed with a "Z" code, the procedure is an "*Independent Operative Procedure (IOP)*". If the major pre-operative visit is rendered in the previous *12-month period* prior to the *IOP* service by the same physician, only the following assessment services are eligible for payment on the same day prior to the *IOP* service:
  - a. a minor assessment if rendered by a General and Family Physician; or
  - b. a partial assessment if rendered by a specialist.

When the major preoperative assessment is rendered on the same day as the *IOP*, no other consultation or assessment is eligible for payment if rendered prior to the *IOP* service by the same physician on the same day.

When multiple or bilateral *IOP* are performed at the same time by the same physician, the listed procedural benefits should be claimed in full but the pre- and post-operative benefits should be claimed as if only one procedure had been performed.

When an *IOP* service is rendered on the same day as a non-*IOP* service by the same physician, the terms and conditions for payment as described in the 'Surgical Services which are not listed as a "Z" code' section of this *Schedule* are also applicable to the *IOP* service(s).

- **14.** When procedures are specifically listed under Surgical Procedures, surgeons should use these listings rather than applying one of the plastic surgery listed fees under Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue in the Integumentary System Surgical Procedures section of this *Schedule*.
- 15. For excision of tumours not specifically listed in this Schedule, claims should be made on an IC basis (code R993). Independent Consideration also will be given (under code R990) to claims for other unusual but generally accepted surgical procedures which are not listed specifically in the Schedule (excluding non-major variations of listed procedures). In submitting claims, physicians should relate the service rendered to comparable listed procedures in terms of scope and difficulty (see General Preamble GP12).

- **16. Cosmetic or esthetic surgery:** means a service to enhance appearance without being medically necessary. These services are not insured benefits (see Appendix D.)
- **17. Reconstructive surgery:** is surgery to improve appearance and/or function to any area altered by disease, trauma or congenital deformity. Although surgery solely to restore appearance may be included in this definition under certain limited conditions, emotional, psychological or psychiatric grounds normally are not considered sufficient additional reason for coverage of such surgery. Appendix D of this *Schedule* describes the conditions under which surgery for alteration of appearance only may be a benefit. Physicians should submit requests to their regional *OHIP* Office for authorization of any proposed surgery which may fall outside of Ministry of Health coverage. (See Appendix D.)
- **18.** Additional claims for biopsies performed when a surgeon is operating in the abdominal or thoracic cavity will be given Independent Consideration.
- **19.** When a listed procedure is performed and no anaesthetic is required, the procedure should be claimed under the "local anaesthetic" listing.
- **20.** Except as described in the paragraph below, when a physician administers an anaesthetic, nerve block and/or other medication prior to, during, immediately after or otherwise in conjunction with a diagnostic, therapeutic or surgical procedure which the physician performs on the same patient, the administration of the anaesthetic, nerve block and/or other medication is *not eligible for payment*.

A major or minor peripheral nerve block, major plexus block, neuraxial injection (*with or without* catheter) or intrapleural block (*with or without* catheter) for post-operative pain control (with a duration of action more than 4 hours) is eligible for payment as G224 when rendered in conjunction with a procedure which the physician performs on the same patient.

#### [Commentary:

For additional information, refer to the Nerve Blocks - Acute Pain Management, Nerve Blocks - Interventional Pain Injections or Nerve Blocks - Peripheral/Other sections of the *Schedule*.]

- **21.** If claims are being submitted in coded form, the surgeon should add the suffix A to the listed procedural code, the surgical assistant should add the suffix B to the listed procedural code and the anaesthetist should add the suffix C to the listed procedural code.
- **22.** When Z222/Z223 is claimed for a patient for whom the physician submits a claim for rendering another insured service on the same day, the amount payable for Z222/Z223 is reduced to nil.
- **23.** When a surgical procedure is attempted laparoscopically in the digestive system or the female genital system, but requires conversion to a laparotomy, unless otherwise specified, the diagnostic laparoscopic fee E860 is payable in addition to the procedural fee.

#### 24. Morbidly obese patients

E676 is eligible for payment once per patient per physician in addition to the amount eligible for payment for the major surgical procedure(s) where a morbidly obese patient undergoes major surgery to the neck, thorax, peritoneal cavity, retroperitoneum, pelvis, or hip and:

- **a.** the patient has a *Body Mass Index (BMI)* greater than 40 for major surgery on the thorax, peritoneal cavity, retroperitoneum, pelvis, or hip, or a BMI greater than 45 for major surgery on the neck;
- **b.** the surgery is rendered under *general anaesthesia* using either an open technique for the neck, thorax, or hip, or an open or laparoscopic technique for the peritoneal cavity, pelvis, retroperitoneum; and
- **c.** the principal surgical technique is neither aspiration, core or fine needle biopsy, dilation, endoscopy, mediastinoscopy, thoracoscopy, cautery, ablation nor catheterization.

E676A	Morbidly obese patient, surgeon, to procedural fee(s) add	25%
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E676B Morbidly obese patient, surgical assistant, to major procedure add

6 units

#### Note:

E676A/B is only payable with the following procedures: D043, D046, D047, D052, E090, E499, E500, E589, E593, E626, E627, E655, E664, E673, E686, E697, E704, E706, E707, E708, E709, E711, E712, E713, E714, E718, E721, E722, E725, E728, E729, E731, E733, E734, E735, E736, E737, E738, E739, E743, E745, E748, E752, E754, E756, E757, E762, E764, E765, E766, E767, E768, E769, E771, E794, E796, E852, E853, E854, E855, E857, E860, E880, E882, E883, E884, E885, F098, F099, F100, F101, F135, M081, M082, M084, M090, M099, M100, M142, M143, M144, P018, P041, P042, P050, P055, P056, P057, P058, P059, P060, R216, R241, R269, R330, R423, R439, R440, R443, R470, R481, R488, R491, R553, R569, R590, R627, R628, R639, R686, R783, R784, R785, R786, R800, R802, R803, R805, R806, R807, R811, R814, R815, R817, R823, R825, R826, R834, R839, R852, R855, R856, R858, R860, R861, R910, R877, R885, R905, R915, R932, R933, R934, R935, R936, R937, S089, S090, S114, S115, S116, S117, S118, S120, S121, S122, S123, S124, S125, S128, S129, S131, S132, S133, S134, S137, S138, S139, S140, S149, S150, S154, S157, S158, S159, S160, S162, S164, S165, S166, S167, S168, S169, S170, S171, S172, S173, S175, S176, S177, S180, S182, S183, S184, S185, S187, S188, S189, S191, S192, S193, S194, S195, S196, S197, S199, S204, S207, S213, S214, S215, S217, S218, S222, S227, S265, S266, S267, S269, S270, S271, S274, S275, S276, S278, S280, S281, S282, S285, S287, S291, S292, S294, S295, S297, S298, S299, S300, S301, S302, S303, S304, S305, S306, S307, S308, S309, S310, S311, S312, S313, S314, S315, S318, S319, S321, S323, S325, S329, S332, S340, S342, S343, S344, S345, S402, S403, S405, S408, S410, S411, S412, S413, S415, S416, S420, S422, S423, S424, S427, S428, S430, S431, S432, S433, S434, S435, S436, S437, S438, S440, S441, S445, S446, S447, S448, S449, S450, S451, S452, S453, S454, S455, S457, S460, S461, S462, S465, S466, S467, S468, S471, S482, S483, S488, S490, S491, S512, S513, S546, S549, S561, S590, S647, S650, S651, S652, S653, S710, S714, S727, S728, S729, S731, S733, S735, S736, S738, S739, S740, S741, S743, S745, S747, S748, S750, S751, S757, S758, S759, S760, S761, S763, S764, S766, S775, S776, S778, S780, S781, S782, S784, S788, S789, S790, S792, S793, S795, S798, S799, S800, S813, Z526, Z552, Z553, Z564, Z569, Z577, Z594, Z737, Z738

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#### Medical record requirements:

E676 is *only eligible for payment* when the BMI is recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.

#### [Commentary:

E676 is not eligible for payment if the surgery is rendered under local anaesthesia.]

#### 25. Lysis of extensive intra-abdominal adhesions and/or scarring e.g. post radiation

E673 is payable to the surgeon in addition to the fee for the major intra-abdominal procedure only when lysis requires at least 60 minutes beyond the average duration of the major procedure. E673 less than 60 minutes in duration or rendered in conjunction with E718 is an insured service payable at nil.

- # E673 Lysis of extensive intra-abdominal adhesions ...... add 62.05
  - **26.** Payment for all surgical procedures includes payment for any intraoperative monitoring of the patient, if rendered.

#### 27. Cancelled surgery – surgical services

- **a.** If the procedure is cancelled prior to induction of anaesthesia, the service constitutes a subsequent hospital visit.
- **b.** When an anaesthetic has begun but the operation is cancelled due to a complication prior to commencement of surgery and the surgeon has scrubbed but is not required to do anything further, the service constitutes E006A and the amount payable is calculated by adding the time units to 6 basic units and multiplying by the surgical assistant's unit fee.
- **c.** If the operation is cancelled after surgery has commenced but prior to its completion, the service is *eligible for payment* under independent consideration (R990).

#### [Commentary:

Submit claim for R990 by adding the time units to the listed procedural basic units and multiplying by the surgical assistant's unit fee and attach a copy of the operative report for review by a *medical consultant*.]

#### Note:

For the purpose of cancelled surgery, time units for the surgeon are calculated in the same way as time units for the surgical assistant (see General Preamble GP85).

#### **28.**Bariatric surgery

S120 (gastric bypass or partition), S189 (intestinal bypass) and S114 (sleeve gastrectomy) are insured services only when all of the following four criteria are satisfied:

**1.**Presence of morbid obesity that has persisted for at least the preceding 2 years, defined as:

a.Body mass index (BMI) exceeding 40; or

- **b**.BMI greater than 35 in conjunction with any of the following severe co-morbidities:
  - i. Coronary heart disease;
  - ii. Diabetes mellitus;
  - **iii.** Clinically significant obstructive sleep apnea (i.e. patient meets the criteria for treatment of obstructive sleep apnea); or

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- **iv.** Medically refractory hypertension (blood pressure greater than 140 mmHg systolic and/or 90 mmHg diastolic despite optimal medical management);
- The patient's bone growth is completed (18 years of age or documentation of completion of bone growth);
- **3.** The patient has attempted weight loss in the past without successful long-term weight reduction; and
- **4.** The patient must be recommended for the surgery by a multidisciplinary team at a Regional Assessment and Treatment Centre in Ontario.

#### 29. Transplant surgery

### **Claims submission instructions:**

**Transplant recipient:** Submit claims using the transplant recipient's Ontario health insurance number only.

If the recipient is from out-of-province, submit claims using the recipient's provincial health insurance number.

**Transplant donor:** Submit claims using the transplant donor's Ontario health insurance number.

For a donor with a health insurance number from another province or for a donor from another country, submit claims using the Ontario recipient's health insurance number.

In circumstances where the donor is an Ontario resident but the health insurance number cannot be obtained despite reasonable efforts to do so, use the recipient's Ontario health insurance number.

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INCISION			
Abscess or haematoma - Local anaesthetic			
Z101 - subcutaneous - one	nil	25.75	
Z173 - subcutaneous - two		30.35	
Z174 - subcutaneous - three or more		40.80	
Z104 - perianal		20.10	
Z106 - ischiorectal or pilonida		44.35	
Z103 - palmar or plantar spaces		44.35	
E542 - when performed outside hospital add		11.55	
Abscess or haematoma - General anaesthetic			
# Z102 - subcutaneous - one		44.35	6
# Z172 - subcutaneous - two or more		66.60	7
# Z105 - perianal		66.00	6
# Z107 - ischiorectal or pilonidal		108.00	6
# Z108 - palmar or plantar spaces		72.00	6
but not in an emergency department or <i>emergency department equivalent</i> . To Z102, Z172, Z105, Z107 add 100%.			
Foreign body removal			
Z114 - local anaesthetic		25.25	
E542 - when performed outside hospital add		11.55	
# Z115 - general anaesthetic	6	88.80	6
# Z100 - complicated (see General Preamble GP12)	6	I.C	7
# Z227 Intramuscular abscess or haematoma		101.65	6
Z118 Aspiration of superficial lump for cytology		28.25	0
		20.25	
Biopsy(ies)			
Z116 - any method, when sutures are used		29.60	
E542 - when performed outside hospital add		11.55	
Z113 - any method, when sutures are not used		29.60	
Note:			
Z116 may be allowed more than once on an IC basis if medically diagnosis or to plan treatment) to biopsy more than one lesion or from an extensive lesion. If claimed, may be allowed with chemic Z117).	to obtain	a second b	piopsy
# Z155 Biopsy(ies) - extensive, complicated or requiring general			
anaesthetic when sole procedure (see General Preamble			
GP12)		I.C	I.C
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# Z245 Biopsy for malignant hyperthermia, three or more	152.85	10

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### EXCISION (WITH OR WITHOUT BIOPSY)

#### **LESIONS - SINGLE OR MULTIPLE SITES**

#### Note:

1. Tattoo removal - (see Appendix D Surface Pathology Section 3).

**2.**Removal of any lesions (e.g. keratosis, nevi) for cosmetic purposes and not for any clinical suspicion of disease or malignancy is not an insured service.

#### Group 1 - e.g. keratosis, pyogenic granuloma

(see Appendix D Surface Pathology)

Removal by excision and suture

Z156	- single lesion	20.00	6
Z157	- two lesions	26.50	6
Z158	- three or more lesions	44.25	6
E542	- when performed outside hospitaladd	11.55	
R	emoval by electrocoagulation and/or curetting		
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	, , ,	10.55	6
Z159	- single lesion - two lesions	10.55 15.85	6 6

#### Note:

- **1.**Paring of a lesion by any method, including curetting, and/or electrocoagulation, without complete removal of the lesion does not constitute Z159, Z160 or Z161 and is *not eligible for payment*.
- **2.**Excision or removal by electrocoagulation and/or curetting of plantar verrucae is not an insured service.

#### Group 2 - nevus

(see Appendix D Surface Pathology, Section 4)

Removal by excision and suture

Z162	- single lesion	20.00	6
Z163	- two lesions	26.50	6
Z164	- three or more lesions	44.25	6
E542	- when performed outside hospitaladd	11.55	
#Z165	Congenital (extensive) (see General Preamble GP12)	I.C	I.C

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Gro	oup 3 - cyst, haemangioma, lipoma					
Fa	ace or neck - Local anaesthetic					
Z122	- single lesion	nil	38.50			
Z123	- two lesions		67.80			
Z124	- three or more lesions		78.00			
E542	- when performed outside hospital add		11.55			
Face or neck - General anaesthetic						
# Z145	- single lesion	6	65.35	6		
# Z146	- two lesions	6	98.55	6		
# Z147	- three or more lesions	6	162.55	6		
# Z148	- extensive or massive (see General Preamble GP12)	6	I.C	7		
0	ther areas - Local anaesthetic					
Z125	- single lesion	nil	32.00			
Z126	- two lesions		45.00			
Z127	- three or more lesions		60.00			
E542	- when performed outside hospitaladd		11.55			
0	ther areas - General anaesthetic					
# Z149	- single lesion	6	50.00	6		
# Z150	- two lesions	6	65.55	6		
# Z151	- three or more lesions	6	98.55	6		
# Z152	- extensive or massive (see General Preamble GP12)	6	I.C	6		
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	oup 4 - other lesions	•	~~ ~~	•		
	Lipoma - 5 to 10 cm	6	80.00	6		
E542	- when performed outside hospital add	•	11.55	0		
# Z097	Lipoma - over 10 cm	6	160.00	6		
# R034	Congenital dermoid cyst adult	6	124.40	6		
# R043	- infant or child	6	201.10	6		
# R042	- midline, e.g. nasal	6	272.80	6		
# R037	Giant cell tumour	6	200.00	6		
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# R035	lonidal cyst		200.00	6		
# R035 # R054	- simple excision or marsupialization		200.00	0		
# 6034	<ul> <li>simple excision or marsupialization, if patient's BMI greater than 40</li> </ul>	6	250.00	6		
# R036	- excision and skin shift	6	280.00	6		
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Inguinal, perineal or axillary skin and sweat glands for hyperhydrosis and/or hydradenitis						
ny # R059	- unilateral	6	248.80	6		
# R059 # R060	- with skin graft(s) or rotation flap(s)	6	248.80 377.90	7		
$\pi$ 1.000	- with skill grants, or rotation hap(s)	0	511.90	I		

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# EXCISION OF PRE-MALIGNANT LESIONS INCLUDING BIOPSY OF EACH LESION – SINGLE OR MULTIPLE SITES

The amount payable for excision of a pre-malignant lesion will be adjusted to a lesser fee if the pathologist's report is not retained in the patient's record.

#### Face or Neck

Simple excision

R160	- single lesion	6	53.20	6			
R161	- two lesions	6	87.40	6			
R162	- three or more lesions	6	174.75	6			
E542	- when performed outside hospitaladd		11.55				
Other Areas							
Simple excision							
R163	- single lesion	6	43.60	6			
R164	- two lesions	6	71.80	6			
R165	- three or more lesions	6	143.55	6			
E542	- when performed outside hospitaladd		11.55				

### Note:

Excision of a pre-malignant lesion is only payable for the following lesions:

- **1.**Dysplastic Nevus (nevus with dysplastic features, atypical melanocytic hyperplasia, atypical melanocytic proliferation, atypical lentiginous melanocytic proliferation or premalignant melanosis)
- 2. Actinic/Solar Keratosis
- 3. Chemical and other pre-malignant keratoses
- 4.Large Cell Acanthoma
- 5. Erythroplasia of Queryrat
- 6.Leukoplakia

#### [Commentary:

In-situ lesions such as Lentigo Maligna (melanoma-in-situ) and Bowen's Disease (squamous cell carcinoma-in-situ) are considered malignant lesions.]

#### Z119 Cryotherapy treatment of at least 5 pre-malignant actinic

keratosis lesions on the same day, not to include freeze-	
thaw cycles	29.00
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#### Note:

Z119 is only eligible for payment when liquid nitrogen is used.

### [Commentary:

For fewer than five lesions see Z117.]

### **Claims submission instructions:**

Submit claims with diagnostic code 232.

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#### MALIGNANT LESIONS INCLUDING BIOPSY OF EACH LESION - SINGLE OR MULTIPLE SITES

The amount payable for treatment of a malignant lesion will be adjusted to a lesser fee if the pathologist's report is not retained in the patient's record.

#### Note:

A pre-malignant lesion is not a malignant lesion for the purposes of payment.

#### Face or neck

Simple excision

R048	- single lesion	6	92.15	6
R049	- two lesions	6	139.20	7
R050	- three or more lesions	6	233.00	7
E542	- when performed outside hospitaladd		11.55	
Oth	er areas			
Si	mple excision			
R094	- single lesion	6	58.15	7
R040	- two lesions	6	95.70	6
R041	- three or more lesions	6	191.40	7
E542	- when performed outside hospitaladd		11.55	
Mal	ignant melanoma			
R010	<ul> <li>wide excision in any area and must include &gt; 1 cm margins and layered closure</li> </ul>	6	124.10	7
# E540	<ul> <li>if excision is performed in hospital for tumour free margin with frozen section, to excision or repair fees add 25%</li> </ul>			

#### [Commentary:

For sentinel node biopsy refer to Z427 p R2.]

#### Note:

When excision of benign, pre-malignant or malignant lesions are corrected by advancement, rotation, transposition, Z-plasty, flap or graft, claim appropriate benefit listed under Repair Section instead of foregoing excision benefits.

#### Face or neck

Curettage, electrodesiccation or cryosurgery			
R018 - single lesion	6	68.55	6
R019 - two lesions	6	112.90	7
R020 - three or more lesions	6	225.75	6
Other areas			
Curettage, electrodesiccation or cryosurgery			
R031 - single lesion	6	55.05	6
R032 - two lesions	6	90.70	7
R033 - three or more lesions	6	181.55	6
# R051 Laser surgery on Group 1 - 4, pre-malignant and malignant lesions (see General Preamble GP12)		I.C	I.C

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#### Note:

Physicians treating vascular ectasias by laser may obtain from their Ministry of Health *Medical Consultant* the current Ministry policy regarding conditions approved for coverage under the Plan.

#### Chemical and/or cryotherapy treatment of skin lesions

Z117 - Chemical and/or cryotherapy treatment, one or more lesions 11.65

#### Note:

**1.**Z117 includes paring and/or debulking of a lesion prior to or subsequent to chemical and/or cryotherapy treatment, when rendered.

**2.**Z117 is limited to a maximum of one service per patient per physician per day.

#### [Commentary:

See Appendix D (8) of this *Schedule* for the conditions under which treatment of warts is an insured service.]

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#### MOHS MICROGRAPHIC SURGERY

#### **Definition/Required elements of service**

Mohs micrographic surgery is eligible for payment when rendered for a lesion that is a histologically confirmed cutaneous malignancy (including basal cell carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma, malignant melanoma, lentigo maligna, dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans, sebaceous carcinoma, microcystic adnexal carcinoma, atypical fibroxanthoma, Merkel cell carcinoma, eccrine carcinoma, extramammary Paget's disease, leiomyosarcoma and primary cutaneous adenocarcinoma); and that meets one or more of the following conditions:

- a. a lesion with clinical margins greater than 1.5 cm;
- **b.** a lesion located in an anatomically sensitive area, in particular but not limited to the periocular, perinasal, perilabial, and periauricular surfaces, or the nose;
- c. a recurrent malignancy that has not responded to prior therapy;
- **d.** a malignant lesion in a patient with immunodeficiency or genodermatoses predisposing to widespread skin cancers, such as basal cell nevus syndrome;
- e. a histologically aggressive lesion (such as a basal cell carcinoma that is sclerosing, infiltrative, baso-squamous, or micronodular, or a squamous cell carcinoma that is poorly differentiated, or demonstrates peri-neural/lymphatic/vascular involvement) at any anatomic site.

# R081	- Initial cut, including debulking	6	315.45	7
# E524	- one or more additional cuts, to R081add		273.45	

#### Note:

**1.**R081 and E524 are eligible for payment only to physicians with generally accepted specialized training in Mohs surgery.

#### [Commentary:

An example of generally accepted specialized training is the successful completion of a fellowship accredited by the American College of Mohs Surgery.]

**1.**R081 is eligible for payment only when the preparation of slides is rendered or supervised by the physician claiming R081 and all microscopic tissue sections are personally reviewed and interpreted by the physician claiming R081. If a pathologist interprets or submits a claim for analyzing histological slides prepared by the physician claiming R081, R081 and E524 are *not eligible for payment*.

#### [Commentary:

In these circumstances, the physician should instead claim the appropriate fee code for excising a malignant skin lesion.]

**2.**Closure of the resulting defect by undermining and advancement flaps is included in the above fees. If more complicated closure is necessary, the service may be eligible for payment using fee codes under skin flaps and grafts.

#### Payment rules:

**1.**R081 is eligible for payment once per lesion including when excision of the lesion is completed over two or more days up to two *week*s.

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- **2.**E524 is eligible for payment once per lesion. An additional E524 may be eligible for payment on an Independent Consideration (IC) basis when claimed on a subsequent day up to two *week*s after the R081 service.
- **3.**R081 *with or without* E524 is eligible for payment at 85% for a second lesion excised by Mohs surgery on the same patient on the same day. Submit a claim for three or more lesions for Independent Consideration with an operative report describing the indications for the surgery and the necessity for multiple procedures.
- **4.**R081 *with or without* E524 may be eligible for payment on an Independent Consideration (IC) basis for a lesion that is histologically aggressive but not specified in the definition.

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#### Wound and ulcer debridement

Debridement of wound(s) and/or ulcer(s) extending into subcutaneous tissue

Z080	- one	20.00
Z081	- two	30.00
Z082	- three	45.00
Z083	- four or more	60.00

Debridement of wound(s) and/or ulcer(s) extending into any of the following structures: tendon, ligament, bursa and/or bone

Z084	- one	60.00
Z085	- two or more	90.00
E542	- when performed outside hospital, to Z080, Z081, Z082,	
	Z083, Z084 or Z085 add	11.55

#### Payment rules:

1. Wound and ulcer debridement services are only eligible for payment where:

- **a.**the physician performs a minimum of 10 minutes of debridement; and **b.**the service is *rendered personally by the physician*.
- **2.**Suture of laceration (Z154, Z175, Z176, Z177, Z179, Z190, Z191, Z192), and complex laceration repair (Z187, Z188, Z189) services are *not eligible for payment* with wound and ulcer debridement services.
- **3.**All wound and ulcer debridement services include the application of any necessary dressing if rendered.

#### [Commentary:

Debridement of wound(s) or ulcer(s) must be performed personally by the physician. Wound dressings may be performed by the physician or by others delegated to perform wound dressings where such delegation is authorized in accordance with the *Schedule* requirements for delegated services. See page GP62 of the General Preamble of this *Schedule*.]

#### Note:

Wound dressing and wound and debridement services are not payable in addition to any surgical procedure unless complications require such care in excess of the usual post-operative care.

#### Medical record requirements:

Wound or ulcer debridement services are only eligible for payment where:

- **1.**the minimum time requirements involved in the debridement of the wound(s) or ulcer(s) are documented in the patient's permanent medical record; and
- **2.**Documentation supporting the debridement of each separate lesion for which a claim is made is found in the medical record.

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#### Burns

#### Note:

For burn care the following definitions apply:

Total Body Surface Area (TBSA) as calculated using the "rule of nines" or the Lund-Browder chart.

Young - a person 9 years of age and younger.

Adult - a person from 10 years up to, and including, 50 years of age.

Old - a person 51 years of age and older.

### **Minor Burn**

- a. less than 10% TBSA burn in adult
- b. less than 5% TBSA burn in young or old
- c. less than 2% TBSA full thickness burn any age

### Moderate Burn

- a. 10 to 20 % TBSA burn in adult
- b. 5 to 10 % TBSA burn in young or old
- c. 2 to 5 % TBSA full thickness burn any age
- **d.** the following regardless of TBSA or age of patient:
  - i. high-voltage injury
  - ii. suspected inhalation injury
  - iii. circumferential burn
  - **iv.** concomitant medical problem predisposing to infection (e.g. diabetes, sickle cell disease)

#### Major Burn

- a. more than 20% TBSA burn in adult
- b. more than 10% TBSA burn in young or old
- c. more than 5% TBSA full-thickness burn any age
- d. the following regardless of TBSA or age of patient:
  - i. high voltage burn
  - **ii.** known inhalation injury
  - iii. any deep partial and/or full thickness burn to face, eyes, ears, genitalia, hands, feet or joints
  - iv. significant associated injuries (e.g. fracture or major trauma)

#### Note:

For burn care requiring anaesthetists' and assistants' services, the following fee codes apply.				
# R030	Minor burns	6	-	6
# R038	Moderate burns	6		10

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# R039 Major burns	8	-	15

### **Resuscitation - Major Burn, Initial Care**

These fees apply to the service of being in constant or periodic attendance following a major burn, to provide all aspects of resuscitation to the patient. This follows the initial assessment, and includes such subsequent assessments as may be indicated. The *specific elements* are those of an assessment, including ongoing monitoring of the patient's condition, and intervening as appropriate (see General Preamble GP15). Instead of element H, the assessment includes, providing premises, equipment, supplies and personnel for any aspects of the *specific elements* that is(are) performed in a place other than the place in which the assessment is performed. Separately billable interventions may be claimed in addition to these fees.

# Z180	- first day	106.25
# Z181	- continuing care, 2nd to 4th day inclusive, per day	53.10

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#### Debridement, excision, fasciotomy, escharotomy, and/or grafting - in Operating Room

# R691	Minor burn pe	r unit 75.	00
# R692	Moderate burn pe	r unit 87.	50
# R693	Major burn pe	r unit 100.	00

#### Payment rules:

**1.**R691, R692 and R693 are eligible for payment only when rendered in an Operating Room.

- 2. Unit means 1/4 hour or major part thereof.
- **3.** Time units are calculated based on the time spent by the physician in direct contact with the patient and commence when the physician is first in attendance with the patient in the operating room and end when the physician is no longer in attendance with that patient in the operating room.
- **4.**Only one of R691, R692 or R693 is eligible for payment for the same patient during the same encounter.
- **5.**R083, R084, R085, R086, R087, R088, R091, R092, R093, R495 are *not eligible for payment* in addition to R691, R692 or R693.

#### [Commentary:

See General Preamble GP7 for definitions and time-keeping requirements. As noted on GP7, start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or the service is *not eligible for payment*.]

#### Burn debridement and excision - outside Operating Room

#R660 - hand - each digit		28.90	
#R661 - dorsum, palm - each		47.95	
#R662 - nose, cheek, lip, ear, forehead, scalp, neck, eyelid - each.		28.90	
#R637 Debridement and excision, per % of total body treated other			
than hand, head or neck		29.65	
Skin allograft procurement			
R690 - for banking purposes, per % of total body harvested, other			
than hand, head or neck	7	17.25	7

#### **NECROTIZING FASCIITIS**

#### Debridement, excision, fasciotomy and flap and/or graft closure - in Operating Room

# R698 Debridement, excision, fasciotomy and flap and/or graft

closure for necrotizing fasciitis ..... per unit 6 100.00 10

#### Payment rules:

**1.**R698 is *only eligible for payment* when the service is rendered in an Operating Room and the patient requires Intensive Care Unit management on the day the surgery takes place.

- 2.R698 is not eligible for payment for reconstructive services.
- **3.**Unit means <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hour or major part thereof.
- **4.** Time units are calculated based on the time spent by the physician in direct contact with the patient in the operating room.
- 5.R495 is not eligible for payment in addition to R698

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#### [Commentary:

- **1.**For reconstruction services, the appropriate fee codes apply.
- **2.**See General Preamble GP7 for definitions and time-keeping requirements. As noted on GP7, start and stop times must be recorded in the patient's permanent medical record or the service is *not eligible for payment*.]

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#### **Repair of lacerations**

#### Note:

Wound closure via tissue adhesives (such as cyanoacrylate) is payable at 50% of the appropriate fee.

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Z176	- up to 5 cm	20.00	6
Z154	<ul> <li>up to 5 cm if on face and/or requires tying of bleeders and/</li> </ul>		
	or closure in layers	35.90	6
Z175	- 5.1 to 10 cm	35.90	6
Z177	- 5.1 to 10 cm if on face and/or requires tying of bleeders and/		
	or closure in layers	71.30	6
Z179	- 10.1 to 15 cm	50.40	6
Z190	- 10.1 to 15 cm if on face and/or requires tying of bleeders		
	and/or closure in layers	101.45	6
Z191	- more than 15.1 cm - other than face	77.30	6
Z192	- more than 15.1 cm - on face	154.95	7
E530	<ul> <li>if inhalation general anaesthesia (other than 50% N2O/O2 mixture) is used, when suture of laceration is sole</li> </ul>		
	procedure add	50.40	
E531	<ul> <li>if extensive debridement is required (see General</li> </ul>		
	Preamble GP12) add	I.C	
E542	- when performed outside hospitaladd	11.55	
R024	- Acute laceration earlobe, unilateral	100.65	
UVC	- Removal of sutures only	visit.fee	

#### **Complex laceration repair**

#### Face

A complex laceration repair of the face is a repair that requires a minimum of 20 minutes of time to perform the repair procedure and at least one of the following:

a.anatomical alignment of the vermilion border, eyebrow, eyelid or pinna;

**b.**closure of three or more layers (muscle sheath, subcutaneous tissue, skin etc.); or **c.**ligation of multiple bleeding vessels.

#### Anatomical area other than face (except zone 1 repair of digit)

A complex laceration repair of an anatomical area other than face is a repair that requires a minimum of 20 minutes of time to perform the repair procedure and at least one of the following:

**a.**closure of three or more layers (muscle sheath, subcutaneous tissue, skin etc.); or **b.**ligation of multiple bleeding vessels.

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#### Zone 1 repair of digit

A complex repair of zone 1 of the digit is repair of an injury without soft tissue loss that requires a minimum of 20 minutes of time to perform the repair procedure.

Z189 Complex repair, digit, zone 1 repair, without soft tissue loss,

#### Note:

- **1.**Other repair fee codes are *not eligible for payment* in addition to Z189 for the same zone 1 injury.
- **2.** For digit tip amputations or a zone 1 injury with soft tissue loss that would requirement advancement, graft or other surgical method of closure, see specific listings for surgical repair in the Integumentary System or Musckuloskeletal System Surgical Procedures sections of this *Schedule*.

#### Payment rules:

- **1.**Wound and ulcer debridement services, Z128, Z129, and Z114 are *not eligible for payment* in addition to Z187, Z188 or Z189 for the same repair.
- **2.**Z187, Z188, and Z189 include removal of any foreign bodies in the wound, irrigation and debridement when rendered.
- **3.**Plastic Surgery Procedure services (i.e. R150, R151, R152, R153 and R154) are *not eligible for payment* for any laceration repair.

#### Medical record requirements:

Z187, Z188, and Z189 are *only eligible for payment* where the minimum time requirements involved in the repair service are documented in the patient's permanent medical record. The time requirement includes time to perform the repair exclusive of time spent rendering any other separately billable service.

#### [Commentary:

For laceration repairs that do not meet the above criteria for a complex laceration repair, see Repair of Lacerations listings on page M11.]

#### Muscle repair

# R525	- Simple muscle repair(s) to include repair of involved skin .	6	88.60	7
# R528	- Complex (see General Preamble GP12)	6	I.C	6

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### PREAMBLE TO SKIN FLAPS AND GRAFTS

The amount payable will depend on the size and location of the area grafted and the type of graft. Additional procedures other than the skin grafting are payable in addition to the skin flap or grafts, e.g. tendon grafts, inlay grafts, etc.

#### [Commentary:

For sentinel node biopsy refer to Z427 p R27.]

#### SKIN FLAPS

#### A. Advancement flaps

#### Note:

To include undermining of more than 2.5 cm per side. Is intended to include excision of a lesion if this is technique of closure.

#### Defect 2.1 to 5 cm

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# R011	- face, neck or scalp	6	89.85	6
# R002	- other areas	6	67.40	6
D	efect 5.1 to 10 cm			
# R012		6	247.15	6
	- face, neck or scalp	-	-	-
# R003	- other areas	6	161.75	6
# R004	- Defect more than 10 cm such as thoracic abdominal flap	6	242.70	7
B. F	Rotations, transpositions, Z-plasties			
N	ote:			
	cludes undermining but will depend on the site and size.			
D	efect less than 2 cm average diameter			
# R045	- face, neck or scalp	6	203.70	6
# R072	- other areas	6	133.40	7
		-		
	efect 2.1 to 5 cm average diameter	0		•
# R046	- face, neck or scalp	6	335.15	6
# R075	- other areas	6	223.35	6
D	efect 5.1 to 10 cm average diameter			
#R047	- face, neck or scalp	6	477.45	7
#R073	- other areas	6	318.45	7
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	efect more than 10 cm average diameter			
#R076	- face, neck or scalp	6	709.90	7
#R074	- other areas	6	477.85	7

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C. Pedicle flaps			
# R070 Small/Intermediate, e.g. cross finger, cervical finger	6	293.75	7
# R071 - each subsequent stage	6	223.35	6
# R080 Large, e.g. cross leg, deltopectoral, forehead	6	416.30	6
# R078 - each subsequent stage	6	311.45	7
# E069 - preparation of a contracted recipient site, to R070 or R080			
add		134.75	
# R101 Delay, Small/Intermediate flap	6	132.45	7
# R100 Delay, major flap	6	291.90	6

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D. Myocutaneous, myogenous or fascia-cutaneous flaps			
Note:			
To include closure by any means.			
# R005 Sterno-mastoid, tensor fascia lata, gluteus maximus, gracilis,			
sartorius, rectus femoris, gastrocnemius (medial and	_		_
lateral), trapezius	6	545.00	6
# R006 Pectoralis major	6	734.95	6
# R155 Latissimus dorsi or unilateral rectus abdominus	6	734.95	6
Note:			
R006 is not eligible for payment for post-mastectomy breast recor	nstruction		
# R008 Lower transverse rectus abdominus flap	6	984.55	8
Repair of abdominal defect			
# Z196 - different surgeon		377.65	
# E523 - same surgeon, to other procedure add		321.00	
# R009 Myocutaneous - osseous flaps e.g. pectoralis major			
myocutaneous flap with rib graft, trapezius flap with scapula			
spine	6	783.40	8
# R007 Other - (see General Preamble GP12)	I.C	I.C	I.C
SKIN GRAFTS			
A. Split thickness grafts (for burn grafts see pages M9 & M10)			
# R084 Very minor, very small areas, e.g. trauma		92.30	7
# R085 Minor, medium sized areas, e.g. small or skin ulcer, breast, etc	6	140.25	6
# R086 Intermediate, large areas, e.g. trunk, arms, legs	6	259.10	7
# R087 Major, complex areas, e.g. face, neck, hands	6	388.00	7
# R088 Extensive major, very large area(s)	6	567.95	6
Note:		_	
The <i>Medical Consultant</i> may be requested to determine appropria	iteness of	f code claim	ned
relative to size.			
B. Full thickness grafts			
# R092 Minor - less than 1 cm average diameter		116.65	7
# R093 Intermediate - 1 cm to 5 cm average diameter	6	178.90	7
# R083 Major - over 5 cm	6	280.15	7
# R091 Complex - eyelid, nose, lip, face	6	263.95	7
<b>Note:</b> <b>1.</b> R092, R093, R083, R091 - The <i>Medical Consultant</i> may be requ	upstad to	determine	
appropriateness of codes claimed relative to size of graft.		ucicitiinic	
<b>2.</b> Skin grafts are <i>not eligible for payment</i> in addition to R117.			
# R057 Appendage or tissue re-vascularization involving			
microanastomosis with or without micro neuroanastomosis			
(see General Preamble GP12)	I.C	I.C	I.C

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# R058 Revision of above (see General Preamble GP12)	I.C	I.C	I.C
Stasis ulcer			
# R847 - with skin graft - per leg	6	195.85	7
# R845 - multiple ligation and skin graft - per leg	6	341.55	6
Neurovascular island transfer			
# R061 Minor, e.g. finger tip	6	140.25	6
# R062 Intermediate, e.g. finger to thumb transfer	6	259.20	6
# R063 Major, e.g. foot to heel	6	430.85	6

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#### **FREE ISLAND FLAPS**

#### Note:

When excision of the lesion and preparation of the recipient site are carried out by different surgeons, the preparation fees should be reduced by 15%.

	Free jejunum artery and vein for transplantation	10	338.85	10
# R014	Preparation of microvascular recipient site for free jejunum artery and vein	10	925.85	10
# R016	Preparation of microvascular recipient site for jejunum artery and vein immediately following ablative surgery, and when recipient vessels are in site of the ablation	10	544.95	10
# R015	Transplantation of free jejunum artery and vein with microvascular anastomosis	10	925.85	10
# R064	Elevation of free island skin and subcutaneous flap and closure of defect	10	874.60	10
# R065	Preparation of microvascular recipient site for free island skin subcutaneous flap	10	925.85	10
# R055	Preparation of microvascular recipient site for free island flap and subcutaneous flap immediately following ablative surgery and when recipient vessels are in site of the			
	ablation	10	544.95	10
# KU00	Transplantation of free island skin and subcutaneous flap with microvascular anastomosis(es)	10	925.85	10
# R067	Elevation of innervated free island skin and subcutaneous flap and closure of defect	10	1028.20	10
# R068	Preparation of microvascular recipient site for innervated free island skin and subcutaneous flap	10	1028.20	10
# R056	Preparation of microvascular recipient site for innervated free island skin and subcutaneous flap immediately following ablative surgery and when recipient vessels are in the site of ablation	10	605.15	10
# R069	Transplantation of innervated free island skin and subcutaneous flap with microvascular anastomosis(es) and	10	000.10	10
	nerve repair	10	961.60	10
	Elevation of free island skin and muscle flap and closure of defect	10	874.60	10
# R126	Preparation of microvascular recipient site for free island skin and muscle flap	10	925.85	10
# R122	Preparation of microvascular recipient site for free island skin and muscle flap immediately following ablative surgery and	-		
# R107	when recipient vessels are in the site of the ablation Transplantation of free island skin and muscle flap with	10	544.95	10
$\pi \times 2$	microvascular anastomosis(es)	10	874.60	10

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FR	EE ISLAND FLAPS			
	Elevation of free island muscle flap with tendon and nerve, and closure of defect	10	1183.50	10
# R129	Preparation of microvascular recipient site for muscle, tendon and nerve anastomosis(es)	10	1183.20	10
# R123	Preparation of microvascular recipient site for muscle, tendon and nerve anastomosis(es) immediately following ablative surgery and when recipient vessels are in site of the	10	696.40	10
# R130	ablation Transplantation of free island muscle flap with tendon, nerve	10	090.40	10
	and microvascular anastomosis(es)	10	1183.50	10
	Elevation of free island bone flap and closure of defect Preparation of microvascular recipient site for free island bone	10	874.60	10
# R124	flap Preparation of microvascular recipient site for free island bone flap immediately following ablative surgery and when	10	925.85	10
# R133	flap immediately following ablative surgery and when recipient vessels are in the site of the ablation Transplantation of free island bone flap with microvascular	10	544.95	10
<i>"</i> 1000	anastomosis(es) and bone fixation	10	1028.20	10
	Elevation of free island skin and bone flap and closure of defect Preparation of microvascular recipient site for free island skin	10	1048.60	10
	and bone flap Preparation of microvascular recipient site for free island skin	10	1048.60	10
	and bone flap immediately following ablative surgery and when recipient vessels are in the site of the ablation Transplantation of free island skin and bone flap with	10	617.10	10
	microvascular anastomosis(es) and bone fixation	10	1048.60	10
	Elevation of free toe or finger and closure of defect Preparation of microvascular recipient site for free toe or finger	10	1048.60	10
	transplant	10	1048.60	10
# R141	Preparation of microvascular recipient site for free toe or finger transplant immediately following ablative surgery and when recipient vessels are in the site of the ablation	10	617.10	10
# R139	Transplantation of free island toe or finger with microvascular			
# R025	anastomosis(es) and tendon nerve and bone repair Revision of free island flaps (see General Preamble GP12)	10 10	1233.75 I.C	10 10
	Skin flaps and grafts - other than listed above (see General Preamble GP12)	I.C	I.C	I.C

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<b>FINGER OR TOE-NAI</b>	L			
	nent of onychogryphotic nail involving ple laminae		17.45	
Note:				
<ol> <li>Trimming or clippin</li> </ol>	g of nails does not constitute Z110.			
<b>2.</b> Z110 is <i>not eligible</i> service.	for payment if not rendered personally	by the physicia	an claiming	the
[Commentary: Trimming or clipping	of nails is not an insured service.]			
Simple, partial or cor	nplete, nail plate excision requiring a	anaesthesia		
Z128 - one			33.10	6
•			35.70	6
E542 - when performe	ed outside hospital	add	11.55	
Radical, including de	struction of nail bed			
# Z130 - one		nil	62.75	6
# Z131 - multiple			82.65	6
E542 - when performe	ed outside hospital	add	11.55	
Webbed fingers and	toes			
# R089 Webbed fingers - c	one web space	6	400.00	6
# R090 Webbed toes - one	e web space	6	250.00	7
SCAR REVISION - AN	IY METHOD OF CLOSURE			
Up to 2.5 cm				
R021 - face or neck		6	115.60	6
R026 - other areas		6	77.35	6
2.6 cm to 5 cm				
R022 - face or neck		6	194.85	6
R027 - other areas		6	130.10	6
5.1 cm to 10 cm				
R023 - face or neck		6	277.90	7
			185.60	6
Greater than 10 cm				
R017 face or neck		6	417.05	7
R029 other areas		6	288.20	7
<b>Note:</b> 1.Authorization is rec Appendix D).	quired for all scar revisions in areas oth	er than the face	e or neck (s	ee

**2.**Revision of post-infection scarring of face must be claimed on an "I.C" basis - maximum payable will be as equated to R023.

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#### PLASTIC SURGERY PROCEDURES

#### [Commentary:

The setting of benefits covering the various procedures of plastic surgery is a very difficult problem. Since many procedures are divided into stages which have to be considered in assessing a fee, it is felt that all such plastic surgical procedures should be classed by the responsible *specialist* as very minor, intermediate, major or extensive major. Benefits should be claimed according to procedures set forth in the tariff, except in cases which are difficult to define, in which case "I.C" should be the basis of the claim.]

The minimum benefit for each would be as follows:

	92.30	6
6	140.25	6
6	259.20	7
6	388.00	7
6	568.95	6
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#### Note:

- **1.**Descriptive details of procedure (e.g. operative report) should be submitted with claims for codes R150 R154 for professional assessment.
- **2.** Taking of skin by a surgeon for grafting by an Oral Surgeon claim as R150.
- **3.**R150, R151, R152, R153, and R154 are *not eligible for payment* for the repair of any laceration(s). See repair of laceration services in the Integumentary System Surgical Procedures section of this *Schedule*.
- **4.**R150, R151, R152, R153, and R154 are *not eligible for payment* to physicians in the following specialties: General and Family Practice (00) and Emergency Medicine (12).

# Z132	Insertion of tissue expander	6	304.10	7
# E527	- additional expander, same incisionadd		58.95	
# E528	- additional expander, different incisionadd		258.50	

#### Note:

1.Z132 is not eligible for payment for post-mastectomy reconstruction of the breast.

2. Authorization may be required from the Ministry of Health (e.g. for scars of legs, etc.).

#### Removal tissue expander injection port when sole procedure

	- general anaesthetic - local anaesthetic	6	75.45 37.70	6
Z137 E541	Percutaneous inflation of first tissue expander - each additional expander (to a maximum of 3)		23.05 11.55	
# Z138	Replacement of tissue expander by permanent prosthesis		195.85	7

OPERATIONS OF THE BREAST	Asst	Surg	Anae
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INCISION			
Needle biopsy			
Z141 - one or more	nil	37.20	
E542 - when performed outside hospital add		11.55	
Z143 - large core breast biopsy - (14 gauge or larger bore needle)		132.75	
Aspiration of cyst			
Z139 - one or more	nil	37.20	
Drainage of intramammary abscess or haematoma			
# Z140 Single or multiloculated - local anaesthetic		33.00	
# Z740 Single or multiloculated - general anaesthetic		133.80	6
EXCISION			
# R107 Tumour or tissue for diagnostic biopsy and/or treatment, e.g.			
carcinoma, fibroadenoma or fibrocystic disease (single or			
multiple - same breast)	6	169.95	6
# E525 - after localization with mammographic wire or radioactive			
seeds, to R107add		48.05	
# R111 Partial mastectomy or wedge resection for treatment of breast			
disease, with or without biopsy, e.g. carcinoma or extensive			
fibrocystic disease	6	269.40	7
# E525 - after localization with mammographic wire or radioactive		40.05	
seeds to R111add # E546 - with axillary node dissection up to the level of the axillary		48.05	
# E546 - with axillary node dissection up to the level of the axillary vein, to R111add		388.75	
# E505 - with limited axillary node sampling, to R111 add		178.05	
Payment rules:			
<b>1.</b> E505 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> in addition to Z427.			
<b>2.</b> Z427 is only eligible for payment in addition to E546 when a fro	zen secti	on report	
demonstrates micrometastases.		onroport	
[Commentary:			
For sentinel node b <i>iop</i> sy refer to Z427 p R2.]			
Mastectomy - female (with or without biopsy)			
# R108 - simple	6	330.00	7
# R117 - subcutaneous with nipple preservation	6	273.95	7
# E505 - with limited axillary node sampling, to R108 or R117 add	Ū	178.05	
Note:			
Skin grafts are <i>not eligible for payment</i> in addition to R117.			
[Commentary:			
For patients who have been approved by OHIP for mastectomy re	elated to	sex-reassig	nment
surgery, the following fee codes may apply for mastectomy deper	nding on t	he techniqu	le:
4 D400 Mastertano simple + D400 femainale master and			

1.R108 - Mastectomy simple + R120 for nipple preservation and grafting

2.R117 - Mastectomy - subcutaneous with nipple preservation.]

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	Asst	Surg	Anae
# R109 Mastectomy, radical or modified radical (with or without biopsy)	6	685.00	7
[Commentary:			
Skin grafts are <i>eligible for payment</i> in addition to R109.]			
Mastectomy - male (benign)			
Unilateral - for treatment of adolescent gynecomastia, gynecomast	tia secon	dary to end	ocrine o
genetic disorders (e.g. Klinefelter's Syndrome) or chemotherapy. F		oval is not r	required
Removal of male breast fat tissue by liposuction is not an insured			
# R146 - simple	6	177.50	7
# R147 - subcutaneous with nipple preservation	6	273.95	7
Mastectomy - male			
Unilateral - for treatment of pathological male breast disease ( <i>with</i> carcinoma	n or witho	<i>out</i> b <i>iop</i> sy),	e.g.
# R148 - simple	6	273.95	7
# R149 - subcutaneous with nipple preservation	6	273.95	7
# E505 - with limited axillary node sampling, to R148 or R149 add		178.05	
Oncoplastic Breast Surgery			
# R102 Level 1 oncoplastic breast conserving lumpectomy or partial			
mastectomy for malignancy	6	350.00	7
# R158 Level 2 oncoplastic breast conserving lumpectomy or partial	Ū	000100	
mastectomy for malignancy	6	547.45	7
# E505 - with limited axillary node sampling, to R102, R158 or			
R159 add		178.05	
# E525 - after localization with mammographic wire or radioactive			
seeds, to R102, R158 or R159 add		48.05	
# E546 - with axillary node dissection up to the level of the axillary		000 75	
vein, to R102, R158 or R159		388.75	
# R159 Level 3 oncoplastic breast conserving lumpectomy or partial mastectomy for malignancy	6	701.15	7
Payment rules:	0	701.15	1
<b>1.</b> R102 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> when			
<b>a</b> .resected breast volume is <= 15% of ipsilateral breast paren	chyma c	and	
	•		ologuro
<ul> <li>b.the operative report documents dual plane undermining and</li> <li>2.R102 includes nipple undermining, nipple-areolar complex elevation</li> </ul>	•	•	
resection and glandular advancement if performed.			II, 5KIII
<b>3.</b> R158 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> when			
a.resected breast volume exceeds 15% of ipsilateral breast pa	renchym	na or	
<b>b</b> .when the tumour is resected from the upper inner quadrant of	-		ho
breast.			
<b>4.</b> R158 is only eligible for payment when the operative report doc			
excision, glandular rotations, pre-emptive nipple recentralization			
techniques that preserve the blood supply to the nipple-areolar	complex	and parend	nyma.
<b>5.</b> R159 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> when			
<b>a</b> .resected breast volume exceeds 25% of ipsilateral breast pa	renchym	na, and	

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- **b**.the operative report documents the use of reduction mammoplasty techniques sufficient to achieve cosmesis.
- **6.**R159 include glandular pedicles coupled with large mobilizations, transpositions, and rotations of residual breast tissue if performed.
- 7.R102, R158 or R159 are not eligible for payment when
  - **a.**additional ipsilateral breast reconstructive procedure(s) are performed on the same day by a second surgeon, or
  - **b**.the procedure is part of a pre-planned staged breast reconstruction.
- 8.R143 is not eligible for payment on the same day as R102

#### [Commentary:

It is anticipated that contralateral balancing procedures will not be required when R102 is performed.]

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OPERATIONS OF THE BREAST	Asst	Surg	Anae
REPAIR		5	
Post-mastectomy breast reconstruction	0	050.00	-
# R119 Breast mound creation by prosthesis as sole procedure	6	350.00	7
# R118 Breast skin reconstruction by local flaps or grafts, includes Wise pattern skin flaps and de-epithelialized skin flaps	6	405.60	6
# E529 - with breast mound creation by prosthesis, to R118 add	0	102.45	0
# R156 Breast mound creation by insertion of tissue expander,		102.40	
includes creation of submuscular pocket	6	425.00	6
# E513 - breast mound creation by soft tissue, includes flap			
insetting and shaping for autogenous reconstruction, to			
R118, R125, R064, R008 or R155 add		297.50	
# E514 - immediate breast reconstruction following mastectomy, to			
R125, R064, R156, R008, R118, or R155 add		200.00	
Note:			
<b>1.</b> Z132 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> with R156.			
<b>2.</b> E513 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> with E529.			_
3.E514 is only eligible for payment if post-mastectomy breast recommediately following mastectomy during the same anaesthesia		on is perfori	med
# R114 Revision of breast mound	6	230.30	7
# R120 Nipple-areola reconstruction by grafts and/or flaps	6	300.00	7
# R142 Nipple-areola tattooing - unilateral	nil	175.00	nil
# R143 Contralateral balancing mastopexy or reduction, to include			
nipple transplantation or grafting, if rendered	6	472.15	6
# R144 Contralateral balancing augmentation mammoplasty	6	350.00	6
	0	330.00	0
<b>Note:</b> <b>1.</b> R143 and R144 are <i>only eligible for payment</i> when performed f	or post_m	astectomy	broast
reconstruction. Prior authorization of payment from the Ministry	•		
<b>2.</b> R110 and R112 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> with R143 or R144.			
[Commentary:			
1. For reduction or augmentation mammoplasty performed for rea procedure related to post-mastectomy breast reconstruction, se respectively. Prior authorization of payment from the ministry is	e R110 a	and R112	alancing
2.See the applicable service for post-mastectomy breast reconstr flaps or free flaps.]	•		eous
Reduction mammonlasty and augmentation mammonlasty (ot	hor than	nost_mast	octomy

# Reduction mammoplasty and augmentation mammoplasty (other than post-mastectomy breast reconstruction)

# R110 Reduction mammoplasty (female, to include nipple			
transplantation or grafting, if rendered) - unilateral	6	472.15	7
# R112 Augmentation mammoplasty - unilateral	6	350.00	7

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#### PREAMBLE

- **A.** Corrective splints must be corrective to qualify for a benefit as such. The corrective splint listings are not applicable to simple immobilization such as with a Jones bandage or metal finger splint following soft tissue injury.
- **B.** The removal of a wire or pin or other device when used for traction or external fixation (except for rigid external fixators) in the treatment of a fracture or other orthopaedic procedure is to be included in the procedural fee (unless otherwise stated in the *Schedule*) unless a general anaesthetic is required, in which case a fee may be claimed. Removal of devices used for internal fixation more than 30 days after insertion may be claimed for in addition to the procedural benefit.
- **C.** The benefit for total joint replacement also includes denervation of the joint, all tenotomies and division and repair of muscle.
- **D.** The benefit for obtaining a bone graft is not to be claimed in cases of pseudoarthrosis repair, fusions or for listings in which bone grafting is included.
- **E.** For the supervision of limb fitting and 6 *month*s post-operative care following amputation, claim visit fees. Amputation with immediate fitting to include supervision of final limb fitting, add 40% (E586).

#### Note:

Reconstruction or Arthroplasty Procedures: If other procedures are claimed, same joint, same time, e.g. debridement, synovectomy, tendon release etc., the *Medical Consultant* will assess the surgeon's claim.

#### Payment rules:

Synovectomy codes other than E554 are *not eligible for payment* when rendered in addition to the codes listed above.

#### FRACTURES AND DISLOCATIONS

- 1. For fractures or dislocations requiring open or closed reduction or no reduction, the major preoperative visit, i.e. consultation or appropriate assessment, may be claimed in addition to the listed benefits.
- 2. OPEN REDUCTION shall mean the treatment of a fracture and/or dislocation by either closed intramedullary fixation or by an operative procedure to expose the fracture. The benefits include fixation by internal or external devices.
- **3.** CLOSED REDUCTION shall mean the reduction of a fracture or dislocation by non-operative methods (including traction).
- 4. NO REDUCTION shall mean the treatment of a fracture or dislocation by any other method and includes the use of the initial external support other than a simple splint. No reduction, rigid immobilization, means that the device used to achieve a rigid immobilization is custom-molded and is applied by the physician. In cases involving no reduction, application of a simple splint, such as a metal splint, is not billable as rigid immobilization (visit fees only apply).

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- **5.** The service includes all related follow-up treatment by the physician for 2 *week*s from the date of treatment of the fracture or dislocation except:
  - a. for the first and second post-treatment visits to a hospital in-patient;
  - b. for the subsequent visit by the MRP day of discharge (C124);
  - c. for the first post-treatment visit when the patient is no longer a hospital in-patient;
  - d. if additional reductions are necessary;
  - e. if the patient is transferred to another surgeon; or
  - **f.** if the patient is a paraplegic.

#### [Commentary:

The first and second post-treatment visits in hospital for 2 *weeks* from the date of treatment of the fracture or dislocation are payable at the specialty specific subsequent visit fee.]

- 6. In multiple fractures or dislocations, the benefit for the major fracture or dislocation shall be 100% and the benefit for the other fractures or dislocations is 85%. When no procedural benefit is applicable, but that fracture or dislocation necessitates hospitalization or concurrent care over that demanded by the major injury, a visit benefit may be claimed in addition to other procedural benefits.
- **7.** For repeat reductions (closed or open) for the same fracture or dislocation, the full benefit should be claimed for the final reduction and after care; previous reductions by the same surgeon should be claimed at 85%.
- **8.** Emergency splinting of fractures in the emergency department should be on the basis of appropriate visit benefit, plus application of cast if appropriate.
- 9. Transferred cases:
  - **a.** When patients are transferred to a chronic or convalescent facility, additional visit benefits on a chronic care basis shall be allowed to other than the operating surgeon (and also to the surgeon after 2 *week*s).
  - b. When patients are transferred to another physician for after care of fractures and dislocations treated by closed or no reduction, the physician rendering the initial care should claim 75% of the listed fee and the surgeon rendering subsequent care should claim visit fees except where otherwise specified. In cases involving open reduction, the percentage should be 80% for the surgeon providing the initial care.
  - **c.** In cases where the original physician's attempts to reduce a fracture or dislocation under *general anaesthesia* is unsuccessful, and the patient is referred to another physician for definitive care, the original physician should claim 75% of the listed fee.
- 10. Pseudoarthrosis repair/reconstruction is only payable when a fracture requires additional reconstruction because of inadequate healing at least 4 *months* following the original injury. Pseudoarthrosis repair/reconstruction includes bone graft, debridement, osteotomy and internal or external fixation other than the use of an intramedullary nail with distal and proximal locking screws, or circular external fixation if performed.
- **11.** For fractures and dislocations not requiring reduction, visit fees apply unless a specific fee is listed. If the listed fee is less than the consultation, the consultation should be claimed under the fracture/dislocation fee code number.

GENERAL FEES		
	Asst Surg	Anae
BONE/FASCIAL/DERMIS GRAFTS		
Autogenous# E551- separate incisionadd# E552- same incisionadd# Z279- different surgeon	86.30 58.45 193.00	
Homogenous # E553 - banked bone or bone substitutesadd	25.15	
Allograft		
# R200 - cadaver - per long bone, each	144.80	
<b>Note:</b> Other donor allografts are payable at 85% of the listed excision fe	ee.	
FIXATION		
<ul> <li># E547 - methyl methacrylate (not arthroplasty) add</li> <li># E555 - rigid external fixation (excluding casts) for closed reduction, to closed reduction fee add 50%</li> </ul>	59.40	
# E544 - cast bracing with closed reduction, to closed reduction fee		
<ul> <li># E569 - percutaneous pinning, to closed reduction fee add 50%</li> <li># E826 - percutaneous pinning, to F005, F006, F009, F013 or F016 add 75%</li> </ul>		
<b>Payment rules:</b> E544 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> when a prefabricated cast, brace	e or splint is used.	
Note:		
E569 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> with E826. # E590 - rigid external fixation - pseudoarthrosisadd	76.10	
Removal of internal fixation device		
# R267 - general anaesthetic # R268 - local anaesthetic	6 158.65 6 54.85	6 6
# R598 Removal of extensive external fixation device under general anaesthetic	48.25	6
Adjustment of circumferential external fixation		
<ul><li># Z280 - without general anaesthetic</li><li># Z281 - with general anaesthetic</li></ul>	72.35 145.70	6
# Z210 - Insertion traction pin - excludes fractures and dislocations	33.35	
WOUND CARE		
E550 - insertion of closed irrigation system during a surgical procedure for post-operative management add	63.15	
# E556 - extensive debridement of compound fractures or dislocations, to reduction fee add 50%		

GENERAL FEES		
Asst	Surg	Anae
# Z783 Secondary closure	97.35	7
<b>Note:</b> Z783 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> for the delayed surgical closure of a wound	. Debriden	nent of a
wound with healing by secondary intention is not payable as Z783.		
# R517 Excision of foreign body	107.70	6
# Z250 Chronic Electrical Stimulation (not to include T.E.N.S.) external or internal	193.00	7
# Z273 Muscle core biopsy using a 6mm or larger Bergstrom muscle biopsy needle or equivalent kit - includes one or more		
biopsies	63.35	
Note:		

Z219 is not eligible for payment when rendered in addition to Z273.

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#### ORTHOPAEDIC TUMOUR SURGERY

R226 Biopsy of suspected sarcoma, or resection of a complex bone or complex soft tissue tumour(s), per 15 minutes .....

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100.00 15

#### **Payment rules:**

**1.**R226 is eligible for payment only to an oncological orthopaedic surgeon with fellowship training in orthopaedic oncology. Documentation of fellowship training must be provided to the ministry prior to submitting a claim for R226.

#### [Commentary:

Surgeons eligible to claim R226 will typically be working within a multidisciplinary sarcoma subspecialty group.]

2.R226 is a time based service. Except when rendering the services of a surgical assistant, time calculation for the purpose of R226A includes all resection and reconstruction components of the procedure rendered by the physician claiming R226A.

#### [Commentary:

For any period of time that a surgeon claiming R226A renders the services of an assistant, the time spent assisting constitutes surgical assist time and is not eligible for payment as time for the purpose of R226A.]

**3.** Biopsy of suspected sarcoma, or resection of a complex bone or complex soft tissue tumour(s) is not eligible for payment as R226 when rendered in conjunction with another procedure(s) by the same surgeon when the biopsy or tumour resection is not the major procedure.

#### [Commentary:

In these circumstances (payment rule 3), use the appropriate fee code listing in the Schedule under biopsy or excision of bone or soft tissue.]

4.R226 is eligible for payment for complex tumour resection by amputation only when the tumour resected is malignant.

#### [Commentary:

For other tumour resection by amputation, use the appropriate fee code listing in the Schedule under amputation.]

5. If the nature, complexity and/or length of the procedure require(s) two oncological orthopaedic surgeons to render components of the same procedure simultaneously or sequentially, R226A is eligible for payment to each surgeon.

#### Claims submission instructions:

Submit R226A claims for a second surgeon using the manual review indicator and accompanied by operative report.

#### [Commentary:

In accordance with the Surgical Preamble, if a surgeon who is not an oncological orthopaedic surgeon renders a specialized component of the procedure (eg reconstructive flaps or grafts), the surgeon should claim the appropriate fee code(s) from the Schedule for the service(s) rendered.]

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- **6.** Time calculation commences when the surgeon begins the procedure and ends when the surgeon leaves the operating room.
- **7.** Time unit calculation is based on full 15 minute time units.

#### Medical record requirements:

This service is eligible for payment only if start and stop times of the service are recorded in the patient's permanent medical record.

#### [Commentary:

Any surgeon rendering R226A should also record in the patient's permanent medical record the start and stop times of surgical assistant services when rendered.]

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#### CASTS

Application of plaster casts or corrective splints are not to be claimed if applied at the time of surgery (except for the application of a cast brace) or applied during the first 2 *weeks* for a fracture or dislocation when a procedural fee is applicable. The subsequent application of plaster casts may be claimed according to the following *Schedule*.

Direct supervision requires the physical presence of the physician in the office in which the cast is applied at the time the cast is applied unless all conditions listed on page GP62 to GP63 of the General Preamble (Delegated Procedures) are met.

Finger - application of plaster cast outside hospital add		10.25 11.15	
Hand - application of plaster cast outside hospital add		14.90 11.15	6
Arm, forearm or wristave application of plaster cast outside hospital add		24.10 11.15	6
Foot - application of plaster cast outside hospital add		14.90 11.15	6
Below knee, knee splints (Stove pipe, etc.) Whole leg (mid thigh to toes) Toes - application of plaster cast outside hospital add		24.10 28.80 10.25 11.15	6 6 6
	6 6 6	97.35 97.35 57.50	6 7 6
lip spica - unilateral - bilateral	6 6	97.35 121.60	6 7
Wedging of casts in other than fracture treatment		10.25	
Application of Unna's paste		14.90	
Application of cast brace (must include hinge)		67.75	
Removal of plaster (not associated with fractures or dislocations within 2 weeks of initial treatment)		10.25	
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#### Payment rules:

Z201, Z198, and Z873 are not eligible for payment for application of a prefabricated cast, brace or splint.

HAND AND WRIST	Asst	Surg	Anae
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AMPUTATION			
# R606 Phalanx		161.45	6
# R608 Metacarpal or metaphalangeal joint		190.20	7
# E583 - each additionaladd		94.60	
# R610 Trans. metacarpal 2nd to 5th ray		279.35	7
# R611 Hand - all metacarpals	6	289.50	6
# R612 Wrist	6	289.50	6
# R629 Revision of amputated finger tip	6	241.55	6
ARTHRODESIS			
# R465 Finger-thumb	6	321.30	7
# R466 Wrist	6	714.70	6
ARTHROPLASTY			
# E564 - revision of arthroplastyadd 35%			
Wrist			_
# R437 - interposition	6	374.00	7
# R485 - total	6	679.95	6
# R479 - removal only	6	193.00	6
Hand - interposition			
# R435 - single	6	254.35	7
# R436 - multiple	6	459.40	7
# R489 Single joint - total (arthrodesis and/or arthroplasties)			
maximum of 4	6	290.55	7
# R209 Basal thumb - first carpometacarpal joint	6	363.05	7
# R500 Removal only	6	144.80	6
# R236 Carpal replacement	6	322.05	7
ARTHROSCOPY			
# R682 Wrist arthroscopy setup, includes when rendered			
debridement, synovectomy, synovial biopsy, removal of			
loose body(ies) and/or screw, drilling of defect or			
microfracture, and/or wrist ganglion debridement.	6	400.00	7
Note:			
<ol> <li>A wrist procedure listed in the Hand and Wrist section of the So</li> </ol>	<i>chedule</i> pe	rformed	
arthroscopically is eligible for payment in addition to R682 if that as a component of R682 or described by an E-add-on code to	•	re is not de	escribed
2.Arthroscopic E-add-on codes listed below are not eligible for pa when the service described by the E-code is a generally accept described in Note #1.	•		
# E479 Arthroscopy of midcarpal and/or distal radio-ulnar joint, through separate portals, to R682add		192.00	
# E478 Pinning of osteochondral fragment, to R682 add		251.55	

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#### Note:

F-prefix fracture procedures are not eligible for payment with E478 for the same fracture.

# E480 Triangular fibrocartilage complex repair, to R682 add	350.65
# E482 Soft tissue capsular release, for contractures, without bone procedure, to R682 add	251.55
# E483 Synovectomy for inflammatory arthritis requiring a minimum of 90 minutes to resect, to R682add	326.55
Payment rules:	

**1.**Synovectomy less then 90 minutes in duration is included in R682.

2. Only one of E482 or E483 is eligible for payment same patient same day.

HAND AND WRIST			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
ARTHROTOMY			
# R409 Finger		168.00	6
# R410 Wrist	6	212.50	6
ASPIRATION/INJECTION	-		-
See Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures - Injections and Infu	isions		
	1510115.		
BIOPSY			
Bone			
# Z230 - punch, x-ray control		89.70	6
# Z214 - open biopsy or taking of bone graft by other than operating			
surgeon	6	144.80	6
Joint			
Z221 - needle		49.20	_
# R409 - open finger	0	168.00	6
# R410 - open wrist	6	212.50	6
Soft tissue			
# Z228 - open		97.35	6
Z219 Muscle needle biopsy, soft tissue, per site		31.20	
DECOMPRESSION - DENERVATION			
# N290 Decompression median nerve at wrist (carpal tunnel	0	450 75	0
syndrome) # N285 Exploration and/or decompression and/or transposition and/or	6	156.75	6
neurolysis of major nerve (excluding carpal tunnel nerve).	7	256.15	7
INCISION AND DRAINAGE	-		•
# R409 Finger joint		168.00	6
# R410 Wrist joint	6	212.50	6
-	•		·
Phalanx/metacarpal/carpus # R219 - incision and drainage	6	182.90	6
# R218 - sequestrectomy	6	144.80	6
# R217 - saucerization and bone graft	6	242.25	7 7
# R534 Tendon sheath	6	225.00	6
	Ŭ	220.00	Ŭ
EXAMINATION/MANIPULATION			
Z222 Manipulation - under general anaesthetic (see Surgical Preamble SP5)		134.10	6
Note:			-
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Without general anaesthetic, see Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures - Physical Medicine.

HAND AND WRIST			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
EXCISION			
Bone			
# R316 Proximal row carpectomy	6	338.75	7
# R285 Carpal - bone (one)	6	214.45	7
# R317 Dorsal exostosis (triquetrum)	6	189.75	6
# R286 Radial styloid	6	234.75	7
# R283 Phalanx/metacarpal	6	193.00	7
# R272 Bone tumour (see General Preamble GP12)	I.C	I.C	I.C
Joint			
Synovectomy/capsulectomy/debridement			
# R425 - finger joint	6	226.40	6
# R414 - two or more joints	6	339.65	7
# R407 Synovectomy of extensor or flexor tendons		224.45	6
# R418 Synovectomy/debridement - wrist	6	342.55	7
# R492 Radio-ulnar meniscectomy	6	231.10	7
Soft tissue			
# R549 Ganglion - Simple or complex	6	177.80	6
# R551 Excision of fascia for Dupuytrens (palmar fibromatosis), single			
ray, with or without flaps.	6	322.15	7
# E832 - excision of fascia for Dupuytrens, one or more additional			
rays, to R551add		273.85	
# E831 - use of skin grafts, or revision surgery (with or without skin grafts), to R549 or R551 add 30%			
<ul> <li>Payment rules:</li> <li>1.Excision of fascia for Dupuytren's (R551, E832) is only insured at least one of the following physical signs:</li> </ul>			onstrate
<b>a</b> Metacarophalangeal (MCP) joint flexion contractures of 30 of	tearees o	r more	

- a.Metacarophalangeal (MCP) joint flexion contractures of 30 degrees or more.
- **b.**Interphalangeal (IP) joint flexion contracture of any degree.
- **c**.Adduction contractures of the interdigital web spaces with significant functional impairment.
- **d**.Recurrence of Dupuytren's disease, defined as any recurrent flexion contracture of the MCP or IP joints following prior interventional treatment (e.g., fasciotomy/fasciectomy).
- e.Significant functional impairment with any degree of contracture at the MCP or IP joints.
- 2.R551 is not payable for treatment of Dupuytren's by aponeurotomy.

**3.**A maximum of one R551 is eligible for payment per limb, per day.

#### Note:

**1.**Services listed under "Skin Flaps and Grafts" are *not eligible for payment* with R549 or R551.

**2.**R551, E832 and E831 include the palmar and digital components of the Dupuytrens procedure, when rendered.

#### Muscle

# R522	- simple	6	193.00	6
# R523	- complex	6	484.35	7

HAND AND WRIST			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
RECONSTRUCTION			
Bone - Pseudoarthrosis/non-union/avascular necrosis			
# R321 Phalanx, metacarpal	6	260.75	7
# R322 Scaphoid	6	588.20	6
# R345 Carpal bone, other than scaphoid	6	260.75	6
# E497 - pedicled vascularized bone graft, to R322 or R345 add		526.40	
<ul> <li>1.R322 and R345 must include fixation and a non-vascularized k</li> <li>2.E497 is payable in addition to R322 and R345 if a pedicled vasa addition to, or in place of a non-vascularized bone graft.</li> <li>3.F019 and Z279 rendered in conjunction with R322 and R345 a</li> </ul>	cularized b	oone graft is	
Bone - Deformity			
Osteotomy - phalanx		400.07	
# R257 - terminal	0	162.65	6
# R258 - middle proximal or metacarpal	6	193.20	7
# E591 - each additionaladd		158.65	
Ligaments			
# R597 <sup>°</sup> Simple/single repair - wrist	6	301.60	7
# R548 Extensive/multiple repair - wrist	6	511.45	7
# R601 Metacarpal phalangeal repair	6	316.75	7

#### Note:

Reconstruction - Nerve - see page X13.

HAND AND WRIST			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
RECONSTRUCTION			
Tendon			
Tenoplasty			
# R557 - one	6	223.65	7
# E050 - each additional add		77.05	
Tendon graft			
# R559 - one	6	306.30	7
# E052 - each additional add		259.85	
# R586 Reconstruction of flexor tendon pulley, per finger		97.35	7
Silicone rod insertion			
# R554 - one	6	294.20	7
# E051 - each additionaladd		245.90	
Transplant/transfer			
# R563 - single	6	284.95	7
# E054 - each additionaladd		236.10	
Tendon repair - extensor	C	404.40	7
<pre># R578 - singleadd # E580 - each additional*add</pre>	6	164.10 70.95	7
Flexor		10.00	
# R585 - single	6	307.60	7
# E581 - each additional*add	Ũ	128.95	·
Mallet finger			
UVC - closed		visit.fee	
# R574 - K-wire		133.95	7
# R573 - open	6	147.20	6
Boutonniere			
UVC - closed	0	visit.fee	0
# R577 - open # R582 - late	6 6	147.30 246.65	6 7
• Note:	0	240.05	1
*If additional tendon repair(s) requires a separate incision, bill ac	cording to	Surgical P	reamble
SP3.	-	-	
Extremities			
# R602 Pollicization	6	596.35	6
# R603 Digital reimplantation involving microvascular and neuro			_
anastomosis	8	1586.20	8
# R604 Revision of R602, R603 (see General Preamble GP12)	I.C	I.C	I.C

HAND A	AND WRIST			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
RE	LEASE			
Ton	don			
	enolysis - flexor and/or extensor tendon of			
# R575	- one digit	6	194.05	6
# E537	- each additional digitadd	Ũ	165.20	Ū
	Flexor tenolysis with pulley preservation	6	309.00	6
Ten	otomy or fasciotomy (closed)			
Fi	nger			
# Z247	- one		49.20	6
# Z248	- two		72.35	7
# Z249	- three or more		99.15	6
# Z231	- palmar or plantar		73.70	7
Ten	don release (open)			
# R536	- finger/palm		156.50	6
# E592	- more than one, to R536 add		133.05	
# R537	- wrist	6	175.00	6
# E571	- more than one, to R537 add		148.75	
RE	DUCTION			
	ctures			
P	nalanx			
F004	- no reduction, rigid immobilization		49.20	
F005	- closed reduction		99.25	6
E584	- application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	
E558	- each additionaladd	0	22.25	-
# F007	- open reduction	6	298.45	7
	etacarpal			
F008	- no reduction, one or more, rigid immobilization		49.20	_
F009	- closed reduction		99.25	6
E584	- application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	
E504	- each additionaladd	0	22.20	-
# F011	- open reduction	6	262.60	7
E559	- each additional (open) add		142.90	
	tra-articular			
F006	- closed reduction		119.75	
E584	- application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	
E503 # E010	- each additionaladd	G	26.85	7
# F010	- open reduction	6	335.80	7

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HAND A		Asst	Surg	Anae
RFC	DUCTION			
	ctures ennett's			
F012	- no reduction, rigid immobilization		49.20	
E584	- application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	
# F013	- closed reduction	6	119.80	6
# F015	- open reduction	6	335.80	7
Ca	arpus			
F102	- no reduction, rigid immobilization		49.20	
E584	- application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	
# F016	- closed reduction, one or more		115.10	6
# F017	- open reduction, one or more	6	346.15	7
	aphoid			
F018	- no reduction, rigid immobilization		49.20	
E584	- application of plaster cast outside hospital add	0	11.15	-
# F019	- open reduction	6	480.00	7
# F020	- excision	6	193.00	7
Disl	ocations			
Fir	nger			
D001	- closed reduction		57.50	6
E584	- application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	
E576	- each additionaladd		10.25	
# D003	- open reduction	6	196.50	6
	etacarpal/phalangeal			
D004	- closed reduction		57.50	6
E584	- application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	
E577	- each additionaladd	0	10.25	-
# D006	- open reduction	6	181.85	7
	arpal			
D007	- closed reduction		128.05	6
E584	- application of plaster cast outside hospital add	0	11.15	7
# D008	- open reduction	6	241.30	7

ELBOW AND FOREARM	Asst	Surg	Anae
AMPUTATION			
# R613 Through radius and ulna	6	351.05	7
# R614 Elbow disarticulation	6	289.50	6
ARTHRODESIS			
# R466 Elbow	6	714.70	6
ARTHROPLASTY			
# E564 revision of elbow arthroplasty add 35%			
	0	000.00	0
# R281 Ulna replacement (lower end)	6	296.90	6
# R288 Implant radial head	6 6	269.90 402.75	6 7
<ul><li># R499 Removal of total replacement</li><li># R486 Complete arthroplasty replacement</li></ul>	0 6	402.75 927.70	8
# R480 Complete anthopiasty replacement # R510 Interposition arthroplasty	0 6	435.20	8 7
	0	400.20	I
ARTHROSCOPY			
# R683 Elbow arthroscopy setup, includes when rendered			
debridement, synovectomy, synovial biopsy, removal of			
loose body(ies) and/or screw, drilling of defect or	c	400.00	7
microfracture, and/or arthroscopic epicondylar release	6	400.00	1
Note: 1 An albow procedure listed in the Elbow section of the Schedule	norformo	d arthrococ	nicolly ic
1.An elbow procedure listed in the Elbow section of the Schedule eligible for payment in addition to R683 if that procedure is not	-		• •
R683 or described by an E-add-on code to R683.			
<b>2.</b> Arthroscopic E-add-on codes listed below are <i>not eligible for pa</i>	wment in	addition to	R683
when the service described by the E-code is a generally accepted	•		
described in Note #1.	ou compe		recours
# E478 Pinning of osteochondral fragment, to R683 add		251.55	
		201.00	
<b>Note:</b> F-prefix fracture procedures are <i>not eligible for payment</i> with E47	8 for the	same fract	uro
			ure.
# E481 Osteochondroplasty (extensive bone and arthrofibrotic tissue			
removal requiring a minimum of 2 hours to resect), to R683		500.00	
add		500.00	
# E482 Soft tissue capsular release for contractures without bone			
procedure, to R683 add		251.55	
# E483 Synovectomy for inflammatory arthritis requiring a minimum of			
90 minutes to resect, to R683 add		326.55	
Payment rules:			
<b>1.</b> Only one of E481, E482 or E483 is eligible for payment same p	atient sar	ne day.	
<b>2.</b> Synovectomy less then 90 minutes in duration is included in R6	83.		
3 Osteochondronlasty less than 2 hours in duration is included in			

**3.**Osteochondroplasty less than 2 hours in duration is included in R683.

ELBOW AND FOREARM			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
ARTHROTOMY			
# R445 Elbow, loose body, etc	6	199.55	7

### ASPIRATION/INJECTION

See Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures - Injections and Infusions.

ELBOW AND FO	DREARM			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
BIOPSY				
Bone				
Z225 - needle	9		72.35	6
# Z214 - open .		6	144.80	6
Joint				
# R432 - open .		6	171.45	6
# Z228 - Muscl	e/soft tissue		97.35	6
Z219 - Muscl	e needle biopsy, soft tissue, per site		31.20	
DECOMPRE	SSION/DENERVATION			
	my for compartment syndrome (not including	_		_
	dary closure wound)	6	320.20	7
	dary closure		97.35	7
Catheter				
	on		49.20 visit.fee	
	pring		VISILIEE	
-	on and/or decompression and/or neurolysis of ulnar (elbow)	7	215.35	7
	ve transposition at elbow - may include exploration,	1	210.00	1
	pression and/or neurolysis	7	279.25	7
# R426 Denerva	ion - elbow	6	258.00	7
INCISION A	ND DRAINAGE			
# R228 Acute		6	302.55	7
	e or bursa, incision and drainage		97.35	7
		6	199.55	7
	ectomy	6	355.35	7
	ation and bone grafting	6	452.90	7
	ON/MANIPULATION			
•	tion - under general anaesthetic (see Surgical ble SP5)		134.10	6
Note:	neral anaesthetic, see Diagnostic and Therapeutic Pro		Dhusias	Madiaina

Without general anaesthetic, see Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures - Physical Medicine.

ELBOW AND FOREARM			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
EXCISION			
Bone			
# R287 Radial head	6	217.95	7
# R286 Radial styloid	6 6	217.95	7
# R643 Ulna lower end	6	193.00	7
# R290 Olecranon	6	207.90	6
# R291 Olecranon with fascial repair	6	309.00	7
Bursae			
# R595 Olecranon	6	101.25	6
Joint Contents			
# R421 Synovectomy/capsulectomy/debridement, etc	6	407.25	7
Muscles			
# R524 Myositis ossificans	6	289.50	7
# R517 Foreign body removal		107.70	6
Tumours			
Soft tissues			
# R591 - superficial	6	196.05	6
# R592 - deep	6	484.35	7
Bone tumours			
# R294 - exostosis	6	165.20	7
# R295 - simple excision	6	289.50	7
# R293 - extensive with replacement	6	677.50	6
RECONSTRUCTION			
Bone - Pseudoarthrosis			
# R323 Radius or ulna	6	582.30	7
# R473 Radius and ulna	6	786.65	6
# R950 Radius and ulna - circular external fixation	6	291.40	7
Bone - Deformity			
Osteotomy			
# R259 - ulna	6	433.80	7
# R261 - radius with or without ulna	6	841.40	6
# R324 - radius and/or ulna with reconstruction congenital	6	398.10	6
abnormality, synostosis etc			
# R951 Single level correction - circular external fixation	6	638.40	7
# R952 Double level correction - circular external fixation	6	798.10	6
Bone transport	-	<b></b>	-
# R953 - circular external fixation (less than or equal to 6 cm)	6	655.15	6
# R954 - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)	6	763.80	7

ELBOW AND FOREARM			
RECONSTRUCTION Fascia	Asst	Surg	Anae
Repair fascial defects	0	444.00	7
<ul><li># R476 - small</li><li># R478 - large with or without synthetic graft or rotation flap</li></ul>	6 6	144.80 290.55	7 7
Ligaments			
# R597 Simple/single repair	6	301.60	7
# R548 Extensive/multiple repair	6	511.45	7
Tendons Suture extensor tendon			
# R578 - single	6	164.10	7
# E580 - each additionaladd		70.95	
Suture flexor tendon	0	007.00	-
# R585 - singleadd # E581 - each additionaladd	6	307.60 128.95	7
Tenoplasty		0.00	
# R557 - single	6	223.65	7
# E050 - each additional add		77.05	
Tenolysis	0	000.05	0
# R556 - singleadd # E599 - each additionaladd	6	202.25 87.20	6
Transposition/transplantation/transfer			
# R563 - single	6	284.95	7
# E056 - each additional add		91.90	
# R583 Steindler flexoplasty	6	344.85	7
RELEASE Muscles and tendons			
# R519 - simple, e.g. tennis elbow	6	136.35	6
# R521 - radical, e.g. muscle slide	6	314.60	7
REDUCTION			
Dislocations Elbow joint			
# D009 - closed reduction		84.45	6
# D010 - open reduction - acute	6	252.45	7
# R400 - repair chronic, recurrent	6	379.50	6
Radial head # D012 - closed reduction, pulled elbow		39.00	6
# D012 - closed reduction, pulled elbow	6	193.00	7
# R540 - open reduction - recurrent	6	227.40	7
# R558 - open reduction - late	6	357.20	7

ELBOW AND FOREARM			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
REDUCTION			
Fractures			
Epicondyle			
# F029 - no reduction		67.75	
# F037 - closed reduction		126.25	6
# F038 - open reduction	6	214.45	7
Transcondylar/condylar			
# F039 - no reduction		67.75	
# F040 - closed reduction	6	298.35	6
# F045 - closed reduction with traction	6	312.70	6
# F041 - open reduction	6	983.45	7
Olecranon			
# F034 - no reduction, rigid immobilization		126.25	6
# F035 - closed reduction	6	129.00	6
# F036 - open reduction	6	494.10	7
Radius and ulnar shaft			
# F024 - no reduction, rigid immobilization		67.75	
# F025 - closed reduction	6	148.50	6
# F026 - open reduction	6	567.15	7
Radius and ulna - Monteggia			
# F014 - no reduction, rigid immobilization		67.75	
# F022 - closed reduction		144.80	6
# F023 - open reduction of ulna plus closed reduction radial head	6	416.65	7
Radius or ulna			
F031 - no reduction, rigid immobilization		81.30	
E584 - application of plaster cast outside hospital add	b	11.15	
# F032 - closed reduction	6	117.85	6
# F033 - open reduction	6	438.05	7
Radius - distal, e.g. Colles', Smith's, or Barton's fracture			
F027 - no reduction, rigid immobilization		67.75	
E584 - application of plaster cast outside hospital add	b	11.15	
# F028 - closed reduction, under local or regional anaesthetic		109.45	
# F046 - closed reduction, under general anaesthetic		149.35	6
# F030 - open reduction	6	522.20	7
Osteochondral			
# F021 - open reduction	6	392.40	7

SHOULDER, ARM AND CHEST	Asst	Surg	Anae
	ASSI	ourg	
	4.0	100.05	
# R617 Forequarter # R616 Shoulder disarticulation	10	490.95	15
# R615 High humerus	9 6	373.10 423.30	9 6
Ŭ	0	420.00	0
	0	400.05	0
# R467 Shoulder	6	468.65	6
ARTHROPLASTY			
# E564 - revision of prosthesis add 35%			
# R438 Humeral prosthesis	6	449.20	10
# R487 Total prosthesis	8	784.05	10
# R240 Revision total arthroplasty shoulder	9	942.95	15
# R498 Removal prosthesis/no replacement	6	397.20	8
ARTHROSCOPY			
# R684 Shoulder arthroscopy setup, includes when rendered debridement, synovectomy, removal of loose body(ies) and or screw, drilling of defect or microfracture, and/or synovial	1		
biopsy	6	400.00	10
<ul> <li>Note:</li> <li>1.A shoulder procedure listed in the Shoulder section of the Sch arthroscopically is eligible for payment in addition to R684 if th as a component of R684 or described by an E-add-on code to</li> <li>2.Arthroscopic E-add-on codes listed below are not eligible for p when the service described by the E-code is a generally accep described in Note #1.</li> </ul>	at procedu R684. Da <i>yment</i> in	re is not d addition to	R684
# E478 Pinning of osteochondral fragment, to R684 add		251.55	
Note:			
F-prefix fracture procedures are <i>not eligible for payment</i> with E4 # E484 Superior labral anterior posterior (SLAP) repair,	78 for the s	same fract	ure.
to R684 add		336.65	
# E485 Arthroscopic capsular release for frozen shoulder, to R684add		240.50	
<b>Payment rules:</b> E484 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> in addition to R401.			
ARTHROTOMY			
# R411 Shoulder	6	223.65	7
ASPIRATION/INJECTION			
See Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures - Injections and Info	usions.		

SHOULDER, ARM AND CHEST			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
BIOPSY			
Bone			
Z220 - needle/punch, x-ray control		89.70	6
# Z214 - open	6	144.80	6
Joint			
# R411 - open	6	223.65	7
# Z228 Soft tissue - open		97.35	6
Z219 Muscle needle biopsy, soft tissue, per site		31.20	-
Incision and Drainage			
# R222 Humerus/clavicle/scapula	6	262.60	7
# Z226 Bursae/soft tissue		97.35	7
# R411 Joint	6	223.65	7
# R225 Sequestrectomy	6	290.55	7
# R223 Saucerization with bone graft	6	387.90	7
EXAMINATION AND MANIPULATION			
Z223 Manipulation under general anaesthetic (see Surgical Preamble SP5)		49.20	6
Note: Without general anaesthetic, see Diagnostic and Therapeutic Pro	ocedures	- Physical N	ledicine.
Clavicle or Acromion			
# R298 Simple (includes ligament)	6	250.25	7
Note:	0	200.20	1
When R298 is rendered in association with R416, R298 is payable at 85%.	ble at 100%	% and R416	is
# R641 Major tumour	6	290.55	7
# R214 Malignant tumour with reconstruction	6	484.35	6
Humerus			
# R292 Head	6	299.75	6
# R294 Exostosis	6	165.20	7
# R295 Benign tumour	6	289.50	7
# R297 Malignant tumour with reconstruction	6	681.10	6
EXCISION			
Joint			
# R422 Synovectomy and debridement	6	425.10	10
# R512 Excision of subacromial bursa (not to be claimed with R416,	e	211 60	7
R593 or R594)	6	211.60	1

SHOULDER, ARM AND CHEST			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Muscle/fascia			
# R522 - simple	6	193.00	6
# R523 - complex	6	484.35	7
# R416 Rotator cuff exploration - includes acromioplasty, excision of coraco-acromial ligament and subacromial bursa but excludes simple excision of clavicle	6	206.90	10
Note:	0	200.90	10

When R416 is rendered in association with R298, R416 is payable at 85% and R298 is payable at 100%.

Asst         Surg         Anae           RECONSTRUCTION         Pseudoarthrosis         #         R329         Clavicle         6         514.80         6           # R325         Humerus - circular external fixation         6         520.05         6           # R956         Humerus - circular external fixation         6         291.40         7           DEFORMITY         Osteotomy         6         250.25         7           # R298         - clavicle         6         250.25         7           # R298         - clavicle correction - circular external fixation         6         250.25         7           # R957         Sugle level correction - circular external fixation         6         250.25         6           # R959         - circular external fixation (less than or equal to 6 cm)         6         655.15         6           Humeral lengthening         # R961         - circular external	SHOULDER, ARM AND CHEST			
Pseudoarthrosis         # R329 Clavicle       6       514.80       6         # R325 Humerus       6       632.05       6         # R956 Humerus - circular external fixation       6       291.40       7         DEFORMITY       0       559.25       7         # R296 - humerus       6       259.25       7         # R295 - clavicle       6       250.25       7         # R295 - glenoid       6       279.35       6         # R957 Single level correction - circular external fixation       6       638.40       6         Bone transport       #       763.80       6       48.40       6         Homeral lengthening       #       4860       - circular external fixation (less than or equal to 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         H R961       - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         H R962       - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)       6       385.15       6         Mote:       Reconstruction - Nerves - see Operations on the Nervous System.       6       385.15       6         # R952 Thuscle transplant - pectoralis major       6       385.15       6       385.15       6         # R558 Tendon		Asst	Surg	Anae
# R329 Clavicle       6       514.80       6         # R325 Humerus - circular external fixation       6       632.05       6         # R956 Humerus - circular external fixation       6       291.40       7         DEFORMITY       0       6       250.25       7         # R260 - humerus       6       250.25       7         # R235 - glenoid       6       250.25       7         # R257 Single level correction - circular external fixation       6       510.35       6         # R958 Double level correction - circular external fixation       6       655.15       6         # R959 - circular external fixation (less than or equal to 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         # R961 - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         H R962 - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         Note:       Reconstruction - Nerves - see Operations on the Nervous System.       8       856       7         # R527 Muscle transplant - pectoralis major       6       338.65       7         # R527 Muscle transplant - pectoralis major       6       338.65       7         # R527 Muscle transplant - pectoralis major       6       3434.25       6 <tr< th=""><th>RECONSTRUCTION</th><th></th><th></th><th></th></tr<>	RECONSTRUCTION			
# R325 Humerus       6       632.05       6         # R956 Humerus - circular external fixation       6       291.40       7         DEFORMITY         Osteotomy         # R250 - humerus       6       559.25       7         # R235 - glenoid       6       279.35       6         # R957 Single level correction - circular external fixation       6       510.35       6         # R958 Double level correction - circular external fixation       6       638.40       6         Bone transport       #       8459       - circular external fixation (less than or equal to 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         # R959 - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         H R960 - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         H R951 - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         Note:       Reconstruction - Nerves - see Operations on the Nervous System.       6       338.65       7         # R527 Muscle transplant - pectoralis major       6       338.65       7       7         # R589 Tendon repair or release - biceps       6       314.60       7         # R653 Tendon release with tenodesis - b	Pseudoarthrosis			
# R956 Humerus - circular external fixation       6       291.40       7         DEFORMITY       Osteotomy       6       559.25       7         # R298 - clavicle       6       250.25       7         # R298 - clavicle       6       250.25       7         # R295 - glenoid       6       279.35       6         # R957 Single level correction - circular external fixation       6       510.35       6         # R959 - circular external fixation (less than or equal to 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         Bone transport       #       7       6       655.15       6         # R959 - circular external fixation (less than or equal to 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         # R961 - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         # R961 - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         Note:       Reconstruction - Nerves - see Operations on the Nervous System.       8       8       6       338.65       7         # R527 Muscle transplant - pectoralis major       6       338.65       7       3       8       6       338.65       7         # R583 Scapulopexy congenital elevation       6       338.65       7 <t< td=""><td># R329 Clavicle</td><td>6</td><td>514.80</td><td>6</td></t<>	# R329 Clavicle	6	514.80	6
DEFORMITY           Osteotomy           # R260         - humerus         6         559.25         7           # R298         - clavicle         6         250.25         7           # R235         - glenoid         6         250.25         7           # R257         Single level correction - circular external fixation.         6         510.35         6           # R959         - circular external fixation (less than or equal to 6 cm)         6         655.15         6           Humeral lengthening         # R961         - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)         6         655.15         6           # R962         - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)         6         655.15         6           Note:         Reconstruction - Nerves - see Operations on the Nervous System.         8         7         #           # R553         Scapulopexy congenital elevation         6 <t< td=""><td># R325 Humerus</td><td>6</td><td>632.05</td><td>6</td></t<>	# R325 Humerus	6	632.05	6
Osteotomy           # R260         - humerus         6         559.25         7           # R298         - clavicle         6         250.25         7           # R235         - glenoid         6         279.35         6           # R957         Single level correction - circular external fixation         6         510.35         6           # R958         Double level correction - circular external fixation         6         638.40         6           Bone transport         #         R959         - circular external fixation (less than or equal to 6 cm)         6         655.15         6           # R961         - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)         6         655.15         6           # R962         - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)         6         655.15         6           # R962         - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)         6         655.15         6           Note:         Reconstruction - Nerves - see Operations on the Nervous System.         8         7         #           # R553         Scapulopexy congenital elevation         6         385.15         6           # R589         Tendon repair or release - biceps         6         314.60         7           <	# R956 Humerus - circular external fixation	6	291.40	7
# R260       humerus       6       559.25       7         # R298       - clavicle       6       250.25       7         # R235       - glenoid       6       279.35       6         # R957       Single level correction - circular external fixation       6       510.35       6         # R958       Double level correction - circular external fixation       6       655.15       6         Bone transport       #       R959       - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         # R960       - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         Humeral lengthening       #       R962       - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)       6       438.00       6         # R962       - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)       6       655.15       6         Note:       Reconstruction - Nerves - see Operations on the Nervous System.       8       8       7         # R527       Muscles/soft tissues       6       434.25       6         # R533       Scapulopexy congenital elevation       6       386.5       7         # R589       Tendon repair or release - biceps       6       314.60       7 <tr< td=""><td>DEFORMITY</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr<>	DEFORMITY			
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subacromial bursa and excision of distal clavicle)				
# E057 - revision/repair following previous rotator cuff surgery, to		e	100.00	10
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	ER, ARM AND CHEST			
SHOOLDI	IN, ARM AND CHEST	Asst	Surg	Anae
			<b>Gon 3</b>	
RELE	-	_		_
	uscle/tendon (other than biceps)	6	314.60	7
# R526 St	ernomastoid	6	296.05	7
REDU	JCTION			
Fract	ures			
Tub	erosity			
# F047 -	no reduction		67.80	
# F048 -	closed reduction	6	117.85	6
# F049 -	open reduction (without cuff tear)	6	290.55	6
Nec	k without dislocation of head			
# F053 -	no reduction		67.80	
# F054 -	closed reduction		133.60	6
	open reduction	6	514.95	6
Nec	k with dislocation of head			
	no reduction		67.80	
	closed reduction	6	183.80	6
	open reduction	6	559.85	6
Sha				
	no reduction		67.80	
	closed reduction	6	147.60	6
	open reduction	6	655.50	6
Clav	·	-		-
	no reduction		visit.fee	
	closed reduction with anaesthetic	6	62.20	7
	open reduction	6	458.75	7
	·	Ũ	100.10	
	pula no roduction		67.80	
	ono reduction	6	799.25	6
	·	0	199.20	0
	num			
	closed reduction	0	115.95	40
	open reduction - pleura open (see General Preamble GP12)	9 6	I.C	13
	pleura closed (see General Preamble GP12)	0	I.C	6
Ribs				
	no reduction	•	visit.fee	•
# F131 -	pleura closed (see General Preamble GP12)	6	I.C	6
Dislo	cations			
	omio-clavicular/sterno-clavicular			
	no reduction		67.80	
# D025 -	closed with anaesthetic	6	134.55	6

SHOULDER, ARM AND CHEST			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
# D023 - open reduction	6	231.10	7
# R596 - late	6	286.70	6
Glenohumeral joint			
# D015 - closed reduction without anaesthetic		49.20	
# D016 - closed reduction with anaesthetic		111.40	6
# D017 - open reduction, early	6	323.85	6
# R472 - open reduction, late	6	580.90	10
# R401 - open reduction, recurrent	6	419.65	10
# E058 - revision/repair following previous glenohumeral joint surgery, to R401add 30%			

SKULL AND MANDIBLE	Asst	Surg	Anae
ARTHROPLASTY			
# R433 Temporomandibular joint - unilateral	6	349.30	10
-	-		
BIOPSY			
Bone			
# Z869 - punch, simple		48.50	7
# Z870 - punch, x-ray control		120.70	6
# Z242 - open	6	193.00	7
INCISION AND DRAINAGE			
# Z234 Mandibular sequestrectomy	7	281.25	7
EXCISION			
# R272 Bone - tumour (see General Preamble GP12)	I.C	I.C	I.C
# R278 Maxilla, with exenteration of orbit and skin graft	6	532.95	7
# R279 Maxilla advancement	6	440.15	8
# R280 Mandible	6	353.10	7
# R284 Mandibular condyle	6	276.55	7
# R428 Temporomandibular meniscectomy	6	249.75	7
RECONSTRUCTION			
Facial paralysis			
# R531 - static slings	6	307.15	6
# R532 - dynamic slings	6	399.00	6
# R533 Composite repair for facial paralysis, plication of paralyzed			
muscles, and resection for paralysis of over active muscles	6	511.90	7
# E597 - with meloplasty add		87.05	
Note:			
Claims for R533 will be assessed by the <i>Medical Consultant</i> .			

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SKULL AND MANDIBLE			
SKOLL AND MANDIDLL	Asst	Surg	Anae
ORTHOGNATHIC SURGERY			
Anterior dento-alveolar osteotomy, maxilla or mandible			
# R382 - one segment	6	803.80	15
# R383 - two segments	6	932.10	15
Posterior dento-alveolar osteotomy, maxilla			
# R349 - one side	6	803.80	15
# R351 - both sides, single segment	6	932.10	15
# R385 - both sides, separate segments	6	1187.50	15
Posterior dento-alveolar osteotomy, mandible			
# R462 - one side	6	803.80	15
# R463 - both sides	6	1187.50	15
Total U dento-alveolar osteotomy			
# R502 - mandible	6	1228.70	15
# R507 - maxilla	6	1315.70	15
# R511 Mandibular or maxillary visor osteotomy for alveolar			
hypoplasia	6	1146.40	15
Genioplasty			
# R386 - one segment	6	384.60	10
# R387 - two segments, or for laterognathia	6	575.45	10
# R388 - three segments	6	767.85	10
Mandibular osteotomies for prognathism			
# R480 - subcondylar	6	420.10	7
# R384 - vertical ramus	6	932.10	15
# R518 - sagittal split	6	932.10	15
Mandibular osteotomies for retrognathia, any technique			
# R520 - advancement - up to 10 mm	6	932.10	15
# R529 - advancement - 10 to 20 mm, inclusive	6	1058.40	15
# R535 - advancement - greater than 20 mm	6	1356.90	15
# E588 - for apertognathia or laterognathia add		256.40	

SKULL	AND MANDIBLE			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
OR	THOGNATHIC SURGERY			
Lei	Fort I advancement			
# R379	- in one segment	10	803.80	20
# E961	- in two segmentsadd		296.60	
# E962	- in three segments add		594.20	
Lef	Fort I intrusion			
# R538	- in one segment	10	1059.35	20
# E963	- in two segmentsadd		296.60	
# E964	- in three segment add		594.20	
Lei	Fort I extrusion			
# R567	- in one segment*	10	1315.70	20
# E965	- in two segments add		296.60	
# E966	- in three segments add		594.20	
Lef	Fort I cleft palate			
# R580	- in one segment*	10	1525.30	20
# E967	- in two segments add		256.40	
# E968	- in three segments add		511.90	
# E969	- with SMRadd		204.80	
# E970	- with pharyngoplastyadd		307.15	
# E971	- with closure alveolar fistula with or without bone graft add		383.65	
# E972	- with closure hard palate fistula with or without bone graft			
	add		511.90	
# R588	Naso-maxillary osteotomy without LeFort I*	6	803.80	15
# R389	LeFort II maxillary osteotomy and advancement*	10	1443.95	20
# R395	Construction glenoid fossa and zygomatic arch* (Obwegeser			
	technique)	10	1402.75	20
# R396	Construction absent condyle and ascending ramus*	6	803.80	10
# R609	Combined LeFort I and LeFort III osteotomy in hemifacial			
	microsomia	10	1586.20	20
	Mandibular condylotomy	6	204.80	7
	Coronoidotomy	6	204.80	7
# R644	Coronoidectomy	6	307.15	6
N	ote:			

\* Includes harvesting and grafting of bone or cartilage grafts.

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SKULL	AND MANDIBLE	Asst	Surg	Anae
	THOGNATHIC SURGERY		501.9	
	construction mandible with bone grafts* and/or plate or pro	osthesis		
	nilateral			
# R334	- partial	6	409.55	15
# R335	- complete	6	819.15	15
	lateral			
# R645	- partial	6	819.15	15
# R646	- complete	6	1023.95	15
	l vestibuloplasty	-		-
# R647	- with secondary epithelization	6	204.80	6
# R648	- with skin graft	6	307.15	6
	nporomandibular ankylosis	-		_
# R649	- excision bone or fibrous block	6	461.30	7
# R650 # R651	<ul> <li>with insertion of prosthetic device or muscle flap</li> <li>with construction of condyle and ascending ramus*</li> </ul>	6 6	511.90 666.00	13 15
		-		10
	ay bone grafts or alloplastic reconstruction to face when r eotomy for reconstruction	lot part of	r standard	
	andible			
# Z253	- unilateral		394.80	
# Z254	- bilateral		507.45	
M	axilla			
# Z255	- unilateral		394.80	
# Z256	- bilateral		507.45	
	/goma			
# Z257	- unilateral		337.85	
# Z258	- bilateral		450.50	
	emporal			
# Z259 # Z260	- unilateral		450.50	
	- bilateral		563.10	
	ontal			
# Z261 # 7262	- unilateral - bilateral		450.50 563.10	
			000.10	

### Note:

For Z253 to Z262, services described as harvesting and/or use of homogenous bone grafts may be claimed in addition. See page N3 for the appropriate listing(s).

#### [Commentary:

Alloplastic materials include high density polyethylene, titanium mesh, resorbable mesh plus composites, calcium phosphate bone cements and other materials.]

### SKULL AND MANDIBLE

	Asst	Surg	Anae
Application of dental arch bars, or splint, for facial osteotomy			
# Z239 - one arch bar	6	133.00	6
# Z240 - two arch bars	6	204.80	7
<ul> <li># R354 Interdental wiring for temporomandibular joint disorder</li> <li># R652 - Removal intermaxillary fixation devices under general</li> </ul>	6	154.00	7
anaesthesia - as sole procedure		102.35	6
Note:			

\* Includes harvesting and grafting of bone or cartilage grafts.

SKULL AND MANDIBLE			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
ORBITO-CRANIAL SURGERY			
Bilateral periorbital correction Treacher-Collins Syndrome			
<ul> <li># R390 - with or without bone grafts* (extra-cranial)</li> <li># R653 - with skull and muscle transpositions* (includes skull</li> </ul>	10	1699.45	20
reconstruction) (intracranial)	10	2196.35	25
Pericranial flap to orbit or face			
# R654 - unilateral		307.15	6
E973 - when in conjunction with coronal approach for main		170.00	
operationadd # R655 - bilateral		178.90 409.55	7
# E974 - when in conjunction with coronal approach for main		400.00	1
operation add		297.55	
# R378 LeFort III total maxillary advancement*	12	2037.35	25
# R656 LeFort III and subcranial hypertelorism correction*	12	2590.35	25
# R657 LeFort III and LeFort I maxillary advancement*	12	2334.85	25
# R658 LeFort II, subcranial hypertelorism correction Le Fort I	10	0000 40	25
maxillary advancement*	12	2928.10	25
Upper LeFort III advancement without occlusal change*			
# R659 - unilateral	6	932.10	10
# R675 - bilateral	12	1443.95	25
Forehead advancement (bone grafts not included)			
# R676 - unilateral	12	1187.50	25
# R393 - bilateral	12	1443.95	25
# R394 Cranial vault reshaping* - anterior or posterior half	10	1525.30	20
# R677 Total cranial vault reshaping*	12	2078.35	25
Medial transnasal canthopexy			
# R398 - unilateral	6	414.30	6
# E557 - when done in conjunction with another procedure add		154.00	
Note:			

\* Includes harvesting and grafting of bone or cartilage grafts.

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SKOLL AND WANDIBLE	Asst	Surg	Anae
ORBITO-CRANIAL SURGERY			
Lateral canthoplasty			
# R399 unilateral	6	204.80	6
# E930 - when done in conjunction with another procedure add		102.35	
Hypertelorism correction			
# R376 - intracranial approach*	12	2334.85	25
# R377 - subcranial U osteotomies*	12	1950.15	25
# R678 - medial orbital wall osteotomies*	10	1228.70	20
# R679 - medial and lateral orbital wall osteotomies*	10	1612.30	20
Orbital dystopia*			
# R391 - intracranial approach	12	1950.15	25
# R392 - extracranial approach	10	1485.10	20
Orbital cranial osteotomy*			
# R380 - intracranial approach	12	1495.50	25
<b>Note:</b> Claims for R380 with N153 rendered for the same patient should manual review indicator and accompanied by supporting docume		itted using	the
# R381 - extracranial approach	10	1121.50	20
Late correction traumatic enophthalmos Tessier Technique - total periorbital stripping and bone grafts. # R680 - intracranial	12	1997.05	25
# R681 - extracranial	10	1443.95	20
Harvesting of bone graft when not included			
# Z263 Iliac bone graft		102.35	
Rib graft			
# Z264 - one rib		154.00	
# E975 - each subsequent ribadd		76.50	
Costochondral or chondral graft			
# Z265 - one rib		230.65	
# E976 - each subsequent ribadd		154.00	
# Z266 - split cranial graft		204.80	
<b>Note:</b> * Includes harvesting and grafting of bone or cartilage grafts.			

SKULL AND MANDIBLE	
	Asst Surg Anae
SURGERY FOR CORRECTION OF DOWN'S SYNDROME FACI	AL STIGMATA
Augmentation of zygoma (bilateral)	
# Z267 - with prosthetic implant	184.60
# Z268 - with autogenous bone or cartilage*	230.65
Augmentation of chin	
# Z269 - with prosthetic implant	154.00
# Z270 - with autogenous bone or cartilage*	189.45
# Z271 Horizontal resection, red lower lip	184.60
Note:	
* Includes harvesting and grafting of bone or cartilage grafts.	
Bicoronal flaps	
R347 Bicoronal flaps	200.00
Note:	
R347 requires elevation of bicoronal flaps with exposure of the u	pper half facial skeleton and

R347 requires elevation of bicoronal flaps with exposure of the upper half facial skeleton and subsequent closure and re-suspension of soft tissues.

SKULL AND MANDIBLE			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
REDUCTION			
Fractures			
Orbit - open reduction rim/wall fracture			
# E173 Zygomatic fracture dislocation	6	594.70	7
# E933 - with miniplate(s)**, per major fracture line add	Ũ	99.85	
# E934 - with primary bone graft (separate site) add		204.80	
		201100	
Orbit # E174 - blowout fracture of floor	6	667.00	7
# E934 - with primary bone graft (separate site) add	0	204.80	1
1, 5, 5, (1, 7)		204.00	
Nasal bones - to include manipulation of nasal septum			
# F136 - closed reduction		102.35	6
# F137 - open reduction		316.35	10
# E825 - with miniplate(s)**, per major fracture line add		63.95	
Orbit with maxilla			
# F150 - closed reduction and dental wiring		256.40	7
# F142 - with wiring and local fixation	6	685.20	7
# E830 - with miniplate(s)**, per major fracture line add		107.20	
# E932 - unilateral add		205.00	
# E935 - bilateraladd		307.70	
Note:			
E932, E934, and E935 are not to be billed with Z263, Z264, Z265	5, Z266, E9	975, or E9 <sup>-</sup>	76.
Midface fractures			
Application of craniofacial suspension wires and external fixation	devices (r	ot to be bi	illed in
addition to maxillary repair).	uevices (I		
# F143 - middle ¼ facial	6	577.65	8
# E830 - with mini-plate(s)**, per major fracture line add	0	107.20	0
# F144 - cranial-facial separation	6	1594.90	10
	0	1004.00	10

# E830 - with mini-plate(s)\*\*, per major fracture line......add

### Note:

\*\* Where mini-plate(s) are used, one mini-plate fee per each major fracture line (e.g. infraorbital, malar-zygomatic, nasal-frontal, LeFort I, LeFort II and III) (per major fracture line per side) should be billed.

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SKULL AND MANDIBLE			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Mandible			
UVC - no reduction		visit fee	
# F138 - closed reduction, includes maxillary-mandibular fixation	6	350.00	7
Note:			
Maxillary-mandibular fixation includes any external fixation techni	que.		
# F139 - open reduction, per fracture, to include intermaxillary			
fixation	6	575.00	6
# E828 - rigid internal fixation, any method, to F139 add		104.00	
<b>Note:</b> Rigid internal fixation <i>may include</i> the use of a miniplate(s), or oth	ner intern	al fixation de	vice(s).
			( )
<b>Payment rules:</b> <b>1.</b> E828 is limited to one service for each major fracture line (e.g. i	nfraarbit	ol molor zva	omotio
nasal-frontal, LeFort I, LeFort II and III) when a mini-plate is use		al, Malal Zyy	omatic,
<b>2.</b> Z239, Z240, R652 or D062 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> in additi		38 or F139.	
# F140 - removal of intermaxillary fixation device(s)		100.00	
		100.00	
<b>Payment rules:</b> <b>1.</b> A maximum of one F140 is eligible for payment per patient per	dav		
<b>2.</b> F140 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> in addition to F138 or F139.	a a j i		
<b>[Commentary:</b> For removal of intermaxillary fixation devices under <i>general anae</i> .	sthesia, s	see R652.]	
# F146 - complicated (see General Preamble GP12)	I.C	I.C	I.C
Dislocations			
Temporomandibular joint			
# D062 - closed reduction		51.65	6
# D063 - open reduction	6	256.40	7

PELVIS AND HIP	Asst	Surg	Anae
	A551	Surg	Allae
AMPUTATION			
# R631 Hemipelvectomy - hindquarter	10	796.20	15
# R630 Hip disarticulation	10	514.80	10
ARTHRODESIS			
# R469 Sacro-iliac joint	6	395.25	7
# R514 Symphysis pubis	6	387.00	7
# R470 Hip	6	703.45	8
ARTHROPLASTY			
# R439 Unipolar	6	490.95	10
# R440 Total hip replacement - acetabulum and femur	8	708.70	10
# R553 Total hip replacement with take down of fusion	8	972.90	15
Revision total arthroplasty hip - one or both components			
# R241 - acetabular or femoral	9	1304.80	15
# E589 - bone graft to acetabulum add		101.25	
# E593 - acetabular reconstruction (extensive, including bone			
grafts)add		194.00	
# R481 Reattachment of greater trochanter (late)	6	290.55	8
Removal only			
# R443 - non-cemented	6	447.30	8
# R488 - cemented	6	557.75	8
# R491 Replacement acetabular liner and/or femoral head	8	353.25	10
ARTHROSCOPY			
# R686 Hip arthroscopy set up, includes when rendered debridement			
synovectomy, removal of loose body(ies) and/or screw,			
drilling of defect, microfracture, abrasion arthroplasty, and/		000.00	40
or synovial biopsy	6	669.80	10
# E487 Resection of labrum, to R686 add		240.00	
# E488 Repair of labrum, to R686 add		350.00	
# E482 Soft tissue capsular release without bone procedure, to R686	;		
add		251.55	
# E490 Osteochondroplasty (extensive bone and arthrofibrotic tissue			
removal requiring a minimum of 2 hours to resect), to R68			
add		500.00	
Payment rules:			
<b>1.</b> E487 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> in addition to E488.			

2. Only one of E482 or E490 is eligible for payment same patient same day.

**3.**Osteochondroplasty requiring less than 2 hours is included in R686.

PELVIS AND HIP			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
ARTHROTOMY			
# R547 Sacro-iliac joint	6	290.55	7
# R415 Hip - with removal of loose body	6	301.60	7
ASPIRATION/INJECTION			
See Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures - Injections and Infu	usions		
		62.05	C
# Z290 Hip - infant or child, under general anaesthesia	6	63.95	6
BIOPSY			
Bone			
Z212 - punch needle		89.70	
# Z217 - under general anaesthetic		72.35	7
# Z214 - open	6	144.80	6
Joint			
# R415 - open	6	301.60	7
Soft tissue			
# Z228 - open		97.35	6
Z219 Muscle needle biopsy, soft tissue, per site		31.20	0
		01.20	
DENERVATION/DECOMPRESSION	a anal/an tu		
Exploration, decompression, division, excision, biopsy, neurolysi # N188 - minor nerve - including digital, cutaneous or lateral femoral	s and/or tr	ansposition	
# N188 - minor nerve - including digital, cutaneous or lateral femoral cutaneous nerve	6	153.70	7
# N285 - major nerve - excluding carpal tunnel or ulnar nerve at	Ŭ	100.10	•
elbow	7	256.15	7
# N177 Sciatic nerve in buttock	7	430.75	7
R427 Denervation of hip	6	387.00	6
Note:			
N188 or N285 when performed through the same incision as flex	kor tendon	repairs R5	85 or
E581 is an insured service payable at nil.			
INCISION AND DRAINAGE			
# R269 Bone	6	290.55	7
# Z226 Bursae/soft tissue	·	97.35	7
# R415 Joint	6	301.60	7
# R249 Sequestrectomy	6	379.50	7
# R250 Saucerization and bone graft	6	627.30	6
Z252 Manipulation - under general anaesthetic		39.00	6
		39.00	U
<b>Note:</b> Without general anaesthetic, see Diagnostic and Therapeutic Pr	ocedures	- Physical M	ledicine

PELVIS AND HIP			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
EXCISION			
Bone			
	6	338.75	7
# R639 Simple cyst, etc # R330 Major resection tumour	0 6	629.65	7
# R216 Radical resection tumour	8	1007.35	8
# F115 Coccyx	6	208.80	6
# R315 Head and neck, femur	6	452.90	6
Muscle			
# R522 - simple	6	193.00	6
# R523 - complex	6	484.35	7
# R524 - myositis	6	289.50	7
Joint			
# R423 Synovectomy/debridement	6	470.50	7
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Bursae	e	201 40	7
# R590 GT trochanteric/ischial	6	201.40	7
RECONSTRUCTION			
Pseudoarthrosis			
# R364 Pelvis	8	580.90	10
# R328 Hip	6	872.65	6
Osteotomy			
Pelvis			
# R265 - infant	8	399.00	8
# R273 - other	8	623.35	8
# R263 Hip	6	578.55	7
Muscle/tendon			
# R521 Muscle release	6	314.60	7
Tenotomy			
# Z232 - closed adductors		49.20	6
# Z233 - open adductors		97.35	7
# R545 - iliopsoas	6	266.35	6
Tendon transfer			
# R570 Iliopsoas	6	520.60	7
# R569 Abductor	6	339.65	6

PELVIS AND HIP

		Asst	Surg	Anae
REI	DUCTION			
Fra	ctures			
C	оссух			
UVC	- no reduction		visit.fee	
# F115	- excision	6	208.80	6
Pe	elvic ring			
UVC	- no reduction		visit.fee	
# F134	- closed reduction	6	442.45	6
# F135	- open reduction	6	680.30	8
	acrum			
UVC	- no reduction		visit.fee	
Fe	emoral neck trochanteric, subtrochanteric			
UVC	- no reduction		visit.fee	
# F098	- closed reduction/traction	6	426.90	6
# F099	- open reduction - pin only	6	408.30	8
# F100	- open reduction - pin and plate/screws (cannulated included)	6	659.45	10
# F101	- open reduction - primary prosthesis, femur only (includes	6	669.60	10
	Moore, Thompson, Unipolar, Bipolar)			
# R600	- delayed/staged graft	6	289.50	8
	ipped epiphysis			
# R607	- closed reduction/traction	6	387.00	8
# R642	- closed reduction/internal fixation	6	387.00	8
# R627	- open reduction/fixation	6	580.90	8
	locations			
	cetabulum		· ·, •	
UVC # D052	- no reduction	7	visit.fee 612.45	8
# D032 # D046	- open reduction - lips - open reduction - one pillar	6	967.90	10
# D047	- open reduction - two pillars	8	1451.45	12
Hi				
# D042	- closed reduction		268.25	6
# D043	- open reduction	7	406.45	7
# R628	- late, after four weeks - open	7	774.90	10
N	ote:			
Μ	ay not be claimed with D042 at the same time.			
Sa	acro-iliac			
# D059	- closed, traction, spica, etc		428.50	6
# D060	- open reduction	6	593.00	6

PELVIS AND HIP			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Sacro-coccygeal			
UVC - closed reduction		visit.fee	
# D061 - open, removal of coccyx	6	193.00	6
Congenital hip			
# R404 - closed reduction (includes tenotomy and cast)		190.20	7
# R405 - repeat (includes cast)		131.80	6
# R406 - open reduction (includes tenotomy and arthrotomy)	7	472.35	7
Z291 - Application Pavlik Harness or C.D.H. Splint		24.10	

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FEMUR	Acct	Sura	Anae
	Asst	Surg	Ande
AMPUTATION			
# R625 Gritti-Stokes or Callander	6	349.85	7
# R626 Through femur	6	306.30	7
BIOPSY			
Bone			
# Z869 - core, punch		48.50	7
# Z870 - x-ray control/general anaesthetic		120.70	6
# Z242 - open	6	193.00	7
Soft tissue			
# Z228 - open		97.35	6
Z219 Muscle needle biopsy, soft tissue, per site		31.20	
# R256 Injection into bone cysts		117.00	
INCISION AND DRAINAGE			
# R242 Bone	6	325.75	7
# R245 Sequestrectomy	6	395.25	7
# R243 Saucerization and graft	6	619.90	6
# Z226 Soft tissue		97.35	7
EXCISION			
Bone			
# R314 Simple cyst/exostosis	6	225.50	6
Bone tumour			
# R330 - simple	6	629.65	7
# R216 - with reconstruction/graft	8	1007.35	8
Muscle			
# R522 - simple	6	193.00	6
# R523 - complex	6	484.35	7
RECONSTRUCTION			
Fascial			
# R632 - simple	6	193.00	7
# R633 - complex with or without synthetic graft or rotation flap	6	402.75	7
Pseudoarthrosis			
# E048 - intramedullary nail with distal and proximal locking screws			
- femur add		108.75	
# R328 Bone graft with or without external fixation	6	872.65	6
# R967 Circular external fixation	6	291.40	6

FEMUR Surg Asst Anae RECONSTRUCTION Deformity # R262 Osteotomy femoral shaft..... 6 727.15 6 # R215 Osteotomy supracondylar..... 6 387.00 6 # R963 Single level correction - circular external fixation..... 6 638.40 7 # R964 Double level correction - circular external fixation ..... 6 798.10 6 # R965 Bone transport - circular external fixation (less than or equal to 6 cm) ..... 6 655.15 6 # R966 Bone transport - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm) 6 763.80 6 Leg length discrepancy # R333 Femoral shortening..... 6 6 480.70 # R332 Femoral lengthening..... 541.95 6 6 # R968 Lengthening with circular external fixation (less than or equal to 6 cm) ..... 6 546.55 6 # R969 Lengthening with circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm) 6 763.80 6 7 6 # R340 Femoral epiphysiodesis ..... 301.60 6 7 # R341 Tibial and femoral epiphysiodesis..... 426.90 6 7 # R343 Femoral stapling 313.65 6 # R344 Tibial and femoral stapling..... 6 387.00 Muscles/tendons Quadriceps repair # R589 - simple ..... 6 227.40 7 # R587 - reconstructive ..... 6 387.00 7 # R530 Quadricepsplasty - all types..... 6 381.40 7 # R561 Ilio-tibial band..... 6 190.10 6 # Z197 Closed release of ilio-tibial band..... 49.20 6 Tenotomy of hamstrings # R543 7 - single ..... 6 168.85 # R562 6 - multiple ..... 6 193.00 Lengthening of hamstrings # R557 - single ..... 6 223.65 7 # E050 - each additional..... add 77.05 Tendon or muscle transfer..... 6 307.15 7 # R571 # E049 - each additional.....add 87.20 # R524 Excision of myositis ..... 6 289.50 7 Fractures No reduction - cast and bed rest..... UVC visit.fee Closed reduction - traction - infant or child ..... F094 6 258.00 6

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	Asst	Surg	Anae
# F095 - traction - adult or adolescent	6	407.35	6
# F097 - cast	6	258.90	6
# F096 - open reduction	6	670.00	8
Femoral shaft/supracondylar			
# E048 - intramedullary nail with distal and proximal locking screws			
- femur add		108.75	

KNEE			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
AMPUTATION			
# R625 Through knee - disarticulation	6	349.85	7
ARTHRODESIS			
# R468 Knee	6	402.75	6
ARTHROPLASTY			
# E564 - revision of arthroplasty add 35%			
# R509 Patellar arthroplasty	6	241.60	7
Hemiarthroplasty			
# R482 - single component (e.g. MacIntosh)	6	351.70	6
# R483 - double component (e.g. Marmar)	8	619.90	7
# R441 Total replacement/both compartments	8	631.20	8
# R248 Total knee replacement with take down of fusion	8	838.00	8
# R244 Revision total arthroplasty knee	8	1174.30	8
# E598 - with associated patellar replacement or patelloplasty, to			
R482, R483, R441, R248 or R244add		94.60	
# R442 Replacement Liner	8	353.25	8
<b>Claims submission instructions:</b> When a unicondylar knee arthroplasty is revised to a total knee r stems and/or augments, submit claim using R441 total replacem	•		
# R496 Removal of hemiarthroplasty - without replacement	6	242.25	7

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# R497 Removal of total arthroplasty - without replacement	6	368.40	6

	Asst	Surg	Anae
ARTHROSCOPY			
Degenerative Diseases of the Knee			
# R687 Knee arthroscopy set-up, degenerative disease of the knee. Includes when rendered for synovial biopsy and/or resection or trimming of plica	6	97.35	7
Non-Degenerative Disorders of the Knee or Acutely Locked Kn	nee		
# R699 Knee arthroscopy set-up, non-degenerative disorders of the knee or acutely locked knee. Includes when rendered for synovial biopsy and/or resection or trimming of plica	6	97.35	7
Payment rules			

### Payment rules:

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**1.** A knee procedure listed in the Knee section of the *Schedule* performed arthroscopically is eligible for payment in addition to R687 or R699 if that procedure is not described as a component of R699 or described by an E-add-on code to R699.

- 2.Arthroscopic E-add-on codes listed below are *not eligible for payment* in addition to R687 or R699 when the service described by the E-code is a generally accepted component of a procedure described in Payment Rule #1.
- 3.E476 is not eligible for payment with R687 or R699 unless there is:

**a.**evidence of an intra-articular loose body causing mechanical symptoms; or **b.**a symptomatic loose screw.

- **4.**E-codes from the arthroscopy section other than E494, E495 and E476 are *not eligible for payment* with R687.
- **5.**Except where prior approval has been given by a *MOH medical consultant*, E494 and E495 are *not eligible for payment* with R687 unless all of the following criteria are met:
  - **a**.Kellgren-Lawrence knee osteoarthritis grade less than 3 as documented on standing knee x-rays performed within the last 12 *month*s; and
  - **b**.Unstable chondral pathology or meniscal tear causing mechanical symptoms which have not responded to a minimum of six *month*s active non-surgical treatment.
- **6.**R687 is eligible for payment in all patients with degenerative disease when a diagnostic arthroscopy is required prior to or in conjunction with reconstructive proximal tibial or distal femoral osteotomy.

### [Commentary:

- **1.**R687 is an *uninsured service* for any of the following:
  - a.arthroscopic lavage of the knee alone (without debridement) for osteoarthritis;
  - **b**.when the criteria in payment rule 5 are not met and no other arthroscopic E-add-on codes are medically necessary; or
  - c.when prior approval of R687 and E494 or E495 is denied by the ministry.
- **2.**Arthroscopic lavage of the knee alone (without debridement) is not recommended for any stage of osteoarthritis.
- 3. The routine use of debridement for treatment of osteoarthritis of the knee is not recommended by the Ontario Health Technology Advisory Committee (OHTAC). See http:// www.hqontario.ca/evidence/publications-and-ohtac-recommendations/ohtas-reports-andohtac-recommendations/arthroscopic-lavage-and-debridement.

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<ul> <li>4. Prior approval may be granted for E494 or E495 in patients with Kelle or 4 osteoarthritis (see Kohn MD, Sassoon AA, Fernando ND. Classi Kellgren-Lawrence classification of osteoarthritis. Clin Orthop Relat F 474(8):1886-93) if the clinical record supports:</li> <li>a. Significant functional impairment caused by an unstable articular degenerative meniscal tear which has not responded to a minimu non-surgical treatment; and</li> <li>b.the patient is not a current candidate for knee realignment or arthread for the second secon</li></ul>	gren-Lawrence grade 3 fications in brief: Res. 2016 Aug; chondral flap or im of six <i>month</i> s active
# E476 Removal of symptomatic loose body(ies) and/or screw add	192.00
<b>Note:</b> Removal of iatrogenic loose body(ies) is <i>not eligible for payment</i> .	
# E491 Lateral releaseadd	161.45
# E492 Synovectomy - for diseased synovium, anterior, posterior or completeadd	231.30
# E493 Drilling of defect (includes removal of loose body(ies) add	251.55
# E478 Pinning of osteochondral fragment add	251.55
<b>Note:</b> F-prefix fracture procedures are <i>not eligible for payment</i> with E478 for <sup>•</sup>	the same fracture.
<ul> <li># E494 Debridement (degenerative cartilage) – substantial debridement of 1 or more focal flaps of unstable degenerative articular cartilage causing mechanical symptoms, includes when rendered for synovectomy, meniscal trimming and/or chondroplasty add</li> <li># E498 Debridement (trauma) - substantial debridement of 1 or more focal flaps of unstable post-traumatic articular cartilage causing mechanical symptoms, includes when rendered for synovectomy, meniscal trimming and/or chondroplasty add</li> </ul>	299.00 299.00
Payment rules:	
<ul> <li><b>1.</b>E492 is not eligible for payment in addition to E494 or E498.</li> <li><b>2</b> E498 is not eligible for payment with B687 or E494.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>2.E498 is not eligible for payment with R687 or E494.</li> <li>3.E494 or E498 are not eligible for payment for the debridement of car purpose of surgical visualization alone.</li> </ul>	tilage flaps for the

### [Commentary:

When E494 or E495 are claimed with R687, or E498 is claimed with R699 it is recommended that the intra-articular pathology be documented with pre- and post-procedural photographic images taken during arthroscopy which are archived in the permanent medical record where possible.]

# E489	Microfracture and/or abrasion arthroplasty, for cartilage	
	deficiency (includes removal of loose body(ies) add	250.00
# E495	Menisectomy, partial or total, for symptomatic meniscal tear	
	add	240.45

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	Asst	Surg	Anae
# E496 Repair medial or lateral meniscus, includes when	rendered		
debridement of attachment site	add	336.65	

#### Note:

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**1.**E495 is *not eligible for payment* in addition to E496 for the same meniscus.

- 2. Trimming of a meniscus does not constitute E495 or E496.
- **3.**E489 and/or E494 and/or E498 are *not eligible for payment* in addition to E496 for debridement of attachment site.

KNEE			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
ARTHROTOMY	C	207.00	7
<ul><li># R412 Knee - with or without removal of loose body</li><li># R413 Osteochondritis dissecans with drilling and/or internal fixation</li></ul>	6 6	207.90 267.25	7 7
ASPIRATION	Ū	201120	·
See Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures - Injections or Infusi	ons		
	0110.		
BIOPSY			
Bone/joint			
Z870 - needle	0	120.70	6
# Z242 - open	6	193.00	7
Soft tissue			
# Z228 - open Z219 Muscle needle biopsy, soft tissue, per site		97.35 31.20	6
		51.20	
DENERVATION/DECOMPRESSION	0	252.00	7
<ul><li># R426 Denervation of knee</li><li># N285 Denervation of gastrocnemius</li></ul>	6 7	258.00 256.15	7 7
	1	200.10	,
INCISION AND DRAINAGE # Z226 Soft tissue		97.35	7
# R444 Joint	6	193.00	7
EXAMINATION/MANIPULATION	-		
Z222 Manipulation - under general anaesthetic (see Surgical			
Preamble SP5).		134.10	6
Note:			
Without general anaesthetic, see Diagnostic and Therapeutic Pro	ocedures -	Physical N	ledicine.
Excision			
Baker's cyst			
# R431 - simple	6	148.50	6
# R434 - extensive	6	264.50	7
# R501 Cysts of meniscus	6	126.25	6
# R429 Meniscectomy	6	241.30	6
# R417 Debridement of joint without synovectomy	6	290.55 430.65	7 7
# R424 Synovectomy	6		
# R506 Prepatellar bursae # R312 Patella - to include fascial repair	6 6	149.45 276.55	6 7
# R312 Patena - to include lascial repair	6	126.25	6
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KNEE			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
RECONSTRUCTION			
Meniscus			
# R508 Suturing of medial or lateral meniscus	6	242.25	7
Muscles/Tendons			
Tenoplasty	_		_
# R584 - oneadd # E050 - each additionaladd	6	144.80 77.05	7
		11.00	
Suture of patellar or quadriceps tendon # R589 - early	6	227.40	7
# R587 - late	6	387.00	7
Transplant of tendon			
# R571 - single	6	307.15	7
# E049 - each additionaladd		87.20	
Tenotomy			
- closed # Z237 - one		49.20	6
# Z238 - multiple		72.35	7
- open			
# R564 - one	6	232.00	7
# R566 - multiple	6	253.30	6
# R516 Release patellar retinaculum	6	161.45	7
Ligaments	0	004.05	0
<ul> <li># R599 - simple - one</li> <li># R542 - extensive ligament reconstruction (including synthetics)</li> </ul>	6	361.95	6
includes when rendered preparation of intracondyar notch	6	517.85	7
# E059 - revision/repair following previous reconstruction of knee			
ligaments, to R542add 30% # R539 - removal of synthetics	6	213.45	7
REDUCTION	Ũ	210.10	
Fractures Patella			
# F085 - no reduction		67.75	
# F087 - open reduction or excision with or without repair	6	288.25	7
# F021 Osteochondral fracture - open reduction	6	392.40	7
Dislocations			
Knee			
# D038 - closed reduction	~	207.90	6
# D039 - open reduction	6	309.00	7

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	Asst	Surg	Anae
Patella			
- closed reduction			
# D040 - without anaesthetic		62.20	
# D031 - with anaesthetic		97.35	6
- open reduction			
# D041 - early		290.55	7
# R255 - late	6	484.35	7
# R403 - repair recurrent dislocation (includes inspection of joint)	6	422.15	7
# R515 Congenital dislocation - knee (open)	6	484.35	7

FIBULA AND TIBIA			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
AMPUTATION			
# R624 Tibia/fibula	6	328.65	7
BIOPSY			
Bone			
# Z870 - simple - punch		120.70	6
# Z242 - open	6	193.00	7
Soft tissue			
# Z228 - open		97.35	6
Z219 Muscle needle biopsy, soft tissue, per site		31.20	
# R256 Injection into bone cysts		117.00	
DECOMPRESSION/DENERVATION			
# R495 Decompression of fascial compartments	6	320.20	7
# Z783 Secondary closure		97.35	7
# Z251 Catheter insertion		49.20	
UVC Monitoring of pressure monitoring device		visit.fee	
# N184 Decompression of posterior tibial or common peroneal nerve	6	165.20	7
INCISION AND DRAINAGE			
# R237 Bone	6	308.10	7
# R239 Sequestrectomy	6	329.40	7
# R238 Saucerization and bone grafting	6	411.20	7
# Z226 Soft tissue		97.35	7
EXCISION			
# R311 Exostosis/cyst	6	201.40	6
# R210 Fibular head	6	193.00	7
Tumour			
# R295 - simple	6	289.50	7
# R253 - extensive with repair	6	648.20	6
# R246 Excision bony ridge to include interpositional materials	6	385.15	7
Muscle/soft tissue			
# R522 - simple	6	193.00	6
# R523 - complex	6	484.35	7

FIBULA AND TIBIA			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
RECONSTRUCTION			
Pseudoarthrosis			
# E041 - intramedullary nail with distal and proximal locking screws			
- tibia add		81.55	
# R326 Tibia/fibula	6	696.00	6
# R327 By-pass fibular graft	6	341.45	6
# R372 Congenital pseudoarthrosis	6	484.35	6
# R970 Circumferential external fixation	6	291.40	6
Deformity			
# R289 Osteotomy tibia and fibula - adult or child	6	376.80	6
# R971 Single level correction - circular external fixation	6	510.35	6
# R972 Double level correction - circular external fixation	6	638.40	6
Bone transport			
# R973 - circular external fixation (less than or equal to 6 cm)	6	634.70	6
# R974 - circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)	6	763.80	6
# R403 Osteotomy repair recurrent dislocation (includes inspection of	Ū	100100	Ū
the joint)	6	422.15	7
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Leg length discrepancy	_		-
# R331 Tibial lengthening	6	470.50	6
# R458 Tibial shortening	6	387.00	6
# R341 Tibial and femoral epiphysiodesis	6	426.90	7
# R339 Tibial epiphysiodesis	6	322.05	7
Tibial stapling			
# R342 - one side	6	193.00	7
# R460 - both sides	6	242.25	6
# R344 Tibial and femoral stapling	6	387.00	6
# R975 Lengthening with circular external fixation (less than or equal			
to 6 cm)	6	438.00	6
# R976 Lengthening with circular external fixation (greater than 6 cm)	6	655.15	6
REDUCTION			
Fractures			
Tibia with or without fibula			
		115.95	
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	6	180.05	6
# F080 - open reduction - shaft	6	604.15	6
Intramedullary nail with distal and proximal locking screws			
# E041 - tibiaadd		81.55	
# F081 - medial or lateral tibial plateau	6	660.00	6
# E532 - both tibial plateaus, same kneeadd 50%			

FIBULA	AND TIBIA			
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Fi	bula			
# F082	- no reduction, rigid immobilization		67.75	
# F083	- closed reduction		101.25	6
# F084	- open reduction	6	230.20	7

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FOOT AND ANKLE			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
AMPUTATION			
# R620 Metatarsal/phalanx disarticulation	6	155.90	6
# E585 - each additionaladd	0	47.30	U
# R621 Ray (single)	6	217.15	6
# R623 Symes	6	285.80	7
# R622 Transmetatarsal/transtarsal	6	235.75	7
# R619 Terminal Symes	6	144.80	6
ARTHRODESIS			
# R466 Ankle	6	714.70	6
# R552 - revision of arthrodesis	6	506.65	7
# R471 Interphalangeal	6	151.85	6
# E575 - each additionaladd		41.70	
# R477 Metatarsophalangeal	6	468.35	7
# R695 Subtalar	6	627.35	6
# E511 - additional midtarsal(s), to R695add		100.00	
# R696 Midtarsal, single joint	6	500.00	6
# E512 - additional midtarsal(s), to R696add		100.00	
# R697 Metatarsal-tarsal (fusion of one or more joints)	6	300.00	6
# R475 Pan-talar, one stage	6	836.45	6
Note:			
<b>1.</b> R695, R696, and R697 include any neurovascular exploration tenolysis, when rendered.	and/or pro	otection and	1
<b>2.</b> R696 is not payable in addition to R695 same patient, same da	ay.		
ARTHROPLASTY			
# E564 - revision of arthroplastyadd 35%			
# R493 Ankle - total replacement	8	1199.00	10
# R694 Ankle - liner replacement	8	353.25	10
Note:			
E564 is not eligible for payment with R694.			
# R479 Removal of prosthesis without replacement	6	193.00	6
Metatarsophalyngeal interposition			
# R456 - single	6	144.80	6
# E538 - each additionaladd		38.00	
# R453 Metatarsophalyngeal (Swansons, etc.)	6	289.50	7
# R454 - multiple	6	387.00	7
# R500 Removal - prosthesis without replacement	6	144.80	6

FOOT AND ANKLE			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
ARTHROSCOPY			
# R688 Ankle arthroscopy setup, includes when rendered debridement, synovectomy, removal of loose body(ies) and/ or screw, drilling of defect or microfracture and/or synovial biopsy	6	400.00	7
Note:			
1.An ankle procedure listed in the Foot and Ankle section of the Sc arthroscopically is eligible for payment in addition to R688 if that as a component of R688 or described by an E-add-on code to R6	procedu		scribed
2.Arthroscopic E-add-on codes listed below are not eligible for pay when the service described by the E-code is a generally accepted described in Note #1.			
# E477 Arthroscopy of subtalar and/or intratarsal joint(s), through separate portals, to R688add		192.00	
# E478 Pinning of osteochondral fragment, to R688 add		251.55	
<b>Note:</b> F-prefix fracture procedures are <i>not eligible for payment</i> with E478	for the s	same fractur	e.
# E481 Osteochondroplasty (extensive bone and arthrofibrotic tissue removal requiring a minimum of 2 hours to resect), to R688 add		500.00	
# E483 Synovectomy for inflammatory arthritis requiring a minimum of 90 minutes to resect, to R688 add		326.55	
# R689 Excision of Os Trigonum (sole procedure)	6	230.00	7
<b>Payment rules:</b> <b>1.</b> Only one of E481 or E483 is eligible for payment same patient sa	ame day		
2.R688 is not eligible for payment in addition to R689.			
ARTHROTOMY			
Ankle # R503 - removal of loose body, etc	6	167.10	6
<ul><li># R503 - removal of loose body, etc</li><li># E539 - with osteotomy of malleolus add</li></ul>	0	117.85	0
# R504 Midtarsals # R505 Metatarsal/phalangeal	6 6	144.80 144.80	7 6
ASPIRATION			
See Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedure - Injections or Infusions	<b>5</b> .		
BIOPSY			
Bone			
Needle			
Z869 - punch		48.50	7
# Z870 - under general anaesthetic		120.70	6

FOOT AND ANKLE			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
# Z242 - open Joint	6	193.00	7
# R409 - open		168.00	6
Soft tissue			
# Z228 - open Z219 Muscle needle biopsy, soft tissue, per site		97.35 31.20	6

FOOT	AND ANKLE			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
INI	CISION AND DRAINAGE			
	Bone	6	227.40	7
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	Bursae Joints	6	97.35 167.10	7 6
	Soft tissue - open	0	97.35	6
		6		
	Sequestrectomy Saucerization and bone graft	6 6	193.00 387.00	7 7
		0	507.00	1
Z222	Manipulation - under general anaesthetic (see Surgical Preamble SP5)		134.10	6
	lote:		154.10	0
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	ub foot, etc manipulation and cast/strapping			
Z235	- without anaesthetic		19.45	
E584	- application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	0
# Z224	- with anaesthetic		39.00	6
EX	CISION			
Во	ne			
# R299	Phalanx	6	127.15	6
	Metatarsal head	6	175.45	6
# E587	- each additional add		41.70	
	Accessory navicular (scaphoid)	6	155.90	6
	Bunion/bunionette	6	150.30	6
	Calcaneal spur	6	139.25	6
	Exostosis (dorsal, subungual)	6	100.15	6
	Os calcis, talus	6	283.95 142.00	7
	Sesamoid, one or both Tarsal bar	6 6	230.20	6 7
	Tumour (foot)	6	241.30	6
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# R420	Ankle synovectomy	6	273.75	7
Ν	letatarsophalangeal synovectomy			
# R425	- one	6	226.40	6
# R414	- two or more	6	339.65	7
	ft Tissue			
	Bursa	6	149.45	6
	Ganglion - simple or complex	6	177.80	6
# R576	Excision of fascia for Dupuytrens (planter fibromatosis), one or	e	200 15	e
	more rays	6	322.15	6

#### FOOT AND ANKLE

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E831	<ul> <li>use of skin grafts, or revision surgery (with or without skin grafts), to R549 or R576add 30%</li> </ul>			
	yment rules:			
<b>1.</b> R5	R576 is not payable for treatment of Dupuytren's by aponeurot	omy.		
<b>2.</b> A r	A maximum of one R576 is eligible for payment per limb, per da	ay.		
Note	te:			
<b>1</b> .Se	Services listed under "Skin Flaps and Grafts" are <i>not eligible for</i>	<sup>.</sup> payment v	with R549	or R576.
	R576 and E831 include the plantar and digital components of the when rendered.	he Dupuytr	ens proce	edure,
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#### Muscle

# R522	- simple	6	193.00	6
# R523	- complex	6	484.35	7

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RECONSTRUCTION			
Pseudoarthrosis			
# R363 Malleoli	6	296.05	7
# R321 Tarsals/metatarsals/phalanx	6	260.75	7
Deformity			
Osteotomy			
# R259 - os calcis	6	433.80	7
# R276 - metatarsals and phalanx	6	144.80	7
# E596 - each additionaladd		41.70	
# R277 - midtarsal/tarsal	6	242.25	7
Shortening metatarsal			
# R337 - one	6	225.50	6
# R338 - two or more	6	272.80	7
# R977 Circular external fixation without osteotomy*	6	583.75	6
# R978 Circular external fixation with osteotomy*	6	729.45	6
# R979 Circular external fixation with multiple osteotomies*	6	911.30	6
Note:			
* This requires the application of tibial apparatus.			
Forefoot			
# R430 Claw and hammer toe	6	220.30	6
# E594 - each additional hammer toeadd		41.70	
Hallux Valgus			
# R304 - e.g. Mayo, Keller	6	217.15	7
# R355 - e.g. Joplin, McBride	6	413.65	7
# R360 Major forefoot reconstruction, must include the first MP joint			
and a minimum of 2 other MP joints	6	711.15	7
# R446 Overlapping 5th toe	6	136.35	7
Club Foot			
# R408 Posterior or medial release	6	312.70	7
# R448 Posteromedial release, lateral shortening, tendon transfers			
and fusion	6	371.20	7
# R313 Complex reconstruction or revision of previous club foot repair		400.05	
(not to include simple tendon releases)	6	468.65	6
# R546 Plantar fascia release (Steindler)	6	165.20	6
Ligaments			
Ankle	_		_
# R597 - one	6	301.60	7
# R548 - extensive/multiple	6	511.45	7

FOOT AND ANKLE			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Tendons			
# R640 Exploration - tendon sheath	6	126.25	7
Tenolysis - extensive release			
# R556 - one	6	202.25	6
# E599 - each additional digit add		87.20	
Tendon transfer foot and ankle	_		_
# R565 - single	6	253.30	7
# E055 - each additionaladd		94.60	_
# R572 Tenodesis # R560 Graft	6 6	258.90 253.30	7 6
# E053 - each additionaladd	0	253.30 94.60	0
Lengthening or shortening			
# R557 - one	6	223.65	7
# E050 - each additionaladd	-	77.05	
Suture extensor tendon			
# R578 - one	6	164.10	7
# E580 - each additionaladd		70.95	
Suture flexor tendon			
# R585 - one	6	307.60	7
# E581 - each additional add		128.95	
Achilles tendon repair	0	007.40	-
# R589 - early # R587 - late	6 6	227.40 387.00	7 7
	0	507.00	,
Tenotomy - open # R579 - one toe		87.20	6
# R581 - more than one toe		193.00	7
Tenotomy - closed			
# Z229 - one toe		49.20	7
# Z243 - more than one toe		97.35	7
Achilles or tibialis anterior/posterior tenotomy			
# R544 - open	6	171.70	7
# R555 - closed		132.70	6

FOOT AND ANKLE			
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REDUCTION			
Fractures			
Ankle			
# F074 - no reduction - rigid immobilization	•	67.75	
# F075 - closed reduction	6	144.80	6
- open reduction # F076 - one malleolus	6	200 70	7
# F076 - one malleolus # F077 - multiple malleoli or ligaments	6 6	309.70 571.30	7 7
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Ankle fracture with tibial Plafond burst	_		-
# F104 - closed reduction	6	242.25	6
# F108 - open reduction	6	644.30	6
Metatarsus			
F061 - one or more		49.20	
F062 - with rigid immobilization		67.75	
- closed reduction			
F063 - one or more	6	98.35	6
E584 - application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	
- open reduction	c	170.00	7
# F064 - one # F065 - two or more	6 6	178.20 249.65	7 7
	0	249.05	1
Os calcis			
F070 - no reduction - rigid immobilization		97.35	7
F071 - closed reduction		161.45	7
E584 - application of plaster cast outside hospitaladd - open reduction		11.15	
# F072 - with repair of both the subtalar and calcaneocuboid joints.	6	588.20	6
	0	300.20	0
Phalanx			
F056 - no reduction - rigid immobilization		49.20	
E584 - application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	
E560 - each additionaladd F058 - closed reduction - one		12.05 72.35	6
E584 - application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	0
E561 - each additionaladd		14.90	
# F060 - open reduction	6	172.30	7
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Tarsus excluding os calcis		00 40	
F066 - no reduction - rigid immobilization F067 - closed reduction	6	98.10 165.20	6
E584 - application of plaster cast outside hospital add	0	105.20	0
# F068 - open reduction	6	454.35	7
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In	tra-articular fracture - I.P. Joint			
F057	- closed reduction		77.95	
E584	- application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	
# F059	- open reduction	6	144.80	7

FOOT AND ANKLE			
FOOT AND ANKLE	Asst	Surg	Anae
REDUCTION			
Dislocations			
Ankle			
# D035 - closed reduction	6	111.35	6
# D036 - open reduction	6	252.45	7
# R402 - recurrent dislocation and/or subluxation	6	367.45	7
Interphalangeal			
D027 - closed reduction		57.50	6
E584 - application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	0
E578 - each additionaladd		10.25	
# D029 - open reduction	6	151.25	6
	Ŭ	101.20	Ũ
Metatarsophalangeal			•
D030 - closed reduction		57.50	6
E584 - application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	
E579 - each additionaladd		10.25	_
# D032 - open reduction	6	163.35	7
Tarsus			
D033 - closed reduction		147.60	6
E584 - application of plaster cast outside hospital add		11.15	
# D034 - open reduction	6	298.55	7
Tarso-metatarsal			
D026 - closed reduction, one or more joints		147.60	6
D028 - open reduction, one joint	6	388.20	6
E508 - each additional joint, to D028add	-	85.00	-
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#### [Commentary:

The applicable fracture service (i.e. F063, F065) may be eligible for payment when rendered in addition to D026 or D028.]

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	Asst	Surg	Anae
Z298 Nasopharynx (including oropharynx, oral cavity and hypopharynx) EUGA of nasopharynx for malignant disease including biopsies (not eligible for payment if rendered in conjunction with tonsillectomy and adenoidectomy or quadroscopy)	AUST	41.25	6
Excision of nasopharyngeal or oropharyngeal lesion			·
# R181 - with palatal split	6	508.20	7
R182 - with mandibulotomy, glossotomy and/or palatal split	7	1216.80	10
Z297 Insertion of prosthesis for nasal septal perforation		18.30	
ENDOSCOPY			
<b>Fiberoptic endoscopy of upper airway (nose, hypopharynx or l</b> Z296 - with flexible endoscope - if only operative procedure	arynx) (	IOP)	
performed		20.10	
Z299 - with rigid endoscope, for diagnostic evaluation, or to facilitate biopsy or surgical treatment of pathology in the posterior nasal cavity, hypopharynx or larynx		8.55	
# Z317 Examination under anaesthesia (EUA) of nose including			
suction cautery for posterior epistaxis - unilateral or bilateral		112.05	6
# Z306 Excision of middle turbinate concha bullosa - unilateral		55.60	7
INCISION			
# Z301 Drainage of abscess or haematoma		55.60	6
# Z302 Turbinate reduction - unilateral or bilateral (by any method)		55.60	6
EXCISION			
Nasal polyp			
Z304 - single		21.00	
E839 - with flexible endoscope, to Z304add		19.20	
# Z305 - multiple or involving general anaesthetic - unilateral		55.60	7
Choanal polypectomy			
# Z308 - unilateral		55.60	7
Biopsy			
Z309 - single		18.30	
E839 - with flexible endoscope, to Z309 add		19.20	
# Z310 - multiple or involving general anaesthetic		50.90	6
Removal of foreign body			
# Z311 - local anaesthetic		10.55	
E839 - with flexible endoscope, to Z311add		19.20	
# Z312 - general anaesthetic		50.90	6
# M010 Excision of intranasal lesions by lateral rhinotomy approach. # M011 Excision of other intranasal lesions (see General Preamble	6	493.90	7
# M011 Excision of other intranasal lesions (see General Preamble GP12)	I.C	I.C	I.C

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RECONSTRUCTION			
# M012 Septoplasty		293.95	10
# M012 Septoplasty # M013 Partial septorhinoplasty (excluding osteotomies)		526.00	10
# M014 Septorhinoplasty	6	541.65	10
# E841 - with autologous bone or cartilage graft - from site(s) other			
than nose, to a maximum of two, to M014 add		226.80	
# E842 - with non-autologous graft or implant, to M014 add		58.60	
# E642 - if performed by external approach using transverse			
columellar and rim incisions with elevation of nasal tip skin		110.20	
flap, to M012, M013 or M014 add # E840 - with repair of septal perforation, to M012, M013 or M014		119.20	
		119.20	
# R319 Graft to nose - autologous, bone or cartilage (without septorhinoplasty)	6	360.45	7
# R320 non-autologous or prosthetic implant (without	0	500.45	'
septorhinoplasty)	6	232.00	7
Note:			
M013, M014, R319, R320 - These procedures require written pric	or authoriz	ation by a	Ministry
of Health medical consultant. (see Surgical Preamble, paragraph	17).	-	-
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# M015 Septodermoplasty (to include fascial and other grafts)		306.85	7
# M016 Repair of septal perforation		358.70	7
# E642 - if performed by external approach using transverse columellar and rim incisions with elevation of nasal tip skin			
flap, to M015 or M016 add		119.20	
# M017 Packing for localization of cerebrospinal rhinorrhea		39.60	6
# E603 - with fluorescein injection, to M017 add		50.90	0
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# M033 Closure or opening of nostril for atrophic rhinitis		254.15	7
# M018 Endonasal augmentation for atrophic rhinitis - unilateral (including obtaining graft or preparing implant)		306.85	7
# M020 Repair of choanal atresia - unilateral or bilateral	6	360.45	6
# M021 Puncture and insertion of tube for choanal atresia - unilateral or bilateral		123.70	6
# M028 Dilation of choanal atresia - unilateral or bilateral		73.80	6
		10.00	0
RECONSTRUCTION			
Rhinoplasty for reconstruction of cleft lip - nasal deformity			_
# M030 - complex, to include necessary grafts and septoplasty	6	1082.30	7
# M032 - tip and septum to include total take down of cleft lip		432.45	6
# M031 - tip and septum reconstruction to include minor lip repair (Minor revision, Z-plasty)		254.15	7
# E642 - if performed by external approach using transverse		207.10	,
columellar and rim incisions with elevation of nasal tip skin			
flap, to M030, M032 or M031 add		119.20	

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#### Note:

Cleft lip reconstruction (S013, S014, S015) is *not eligible for payment* with M030, M031 or M032.

#### TREATMENT OF EPISTAXIS (NASAL HAEMORRHAGE)

Z314	Cauterization - unilateral		11.50	6
Z315	Anterior packing - unilateral		15.35	6
Z316 E839	Posterior packing - unilateral or bilateral - with flexible endoscope, to Z314, Z315 or Z316 add		35.50 19.20	6
# M027	Ligation of external carotid artery - unilateral	6	297.25	6
# R788	Ligation of internal maxillary artery - unilateral	7	408.10	10
# R789	Ligation of anterior ethmoidal artery - unilateral	6	299.85	7
# Z313	Endoscopic transnasal ligation of the sphenopalatine artery for posterior epistaxis - unilateral		123.70	

ACCESSORY NASAL SINUSES			
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ACCESSORY NASAL SINUSES - EXTERNAL OR ENDONASAL A	PPROA	СН	
Antrum or sinus lavage		(on	
# Z319 Antral puncture and/or lavage - unilateral or bilateral		43.15	6
Note:			
Z319 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> when rendered with any other surg physician on the same patient, on the same <i>day</i> .	jical pro	cedure by tl	ne same
Maxillary			
# M055 - Caldwell-Luc (includes intranasal antrostomy)			
- unilateral	6	247.35	10
<b>[Commentary:</b> For antrostomy by endonasal or endoscopic approach see M054.]			
Maxillectomy			
# M056 - partial or complete	7	971.75	10
# E947 - with orbital exenteration, to M056 add		306.85	
# M058 Radical frontal sinusectomy for tumour, radical exenteration of disease with drill out for access, or ostium revision		460.20	10
# M063 Coronal and/or osteoplastic procedure for frontal sinusectomy, reconstruction or obliteration - unilateral or bilateral	7	716.25	10
<b>[Commentary:</b> For frontal trephine see Z318.]			
External frontal-ethmoidal sinusectomy and/or reconstruction			
# M059 - unilateral	6	460.20	10
External or transantral ethmoidectomy			
# M023 - unilateral (to include Caldwell-Luc with transantral			
approach)	6	360.45	10
Sphenoid			
# M061 Trans-septal sphenoidectomy for tumour or radical			
exenteration of disease		355.65	10
Note:			
M061 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> when rendered for performing the fossa as part of N111, N112, N114 or N116.	approa	ch to the pit	uitary
# M064 External transethmoidal sphenoid sinusectomy	7	612.65	10
Closure of antral fistula			
# M067 - under general anaesthetic (to include Caldwell-Luc if			
necessary)		345.15	7

ACCESSORY NASAL SINUSES			
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ACCESSORY NASAL SINUSES – ENDOSCOPIC APPROACH			
# Z318 Trephine or endoscopic frontal sinusotomy		133.30	7
# M054 Intranasal maxillary antrostomy – unilateral – by endoscopic or endonasal approach	6	123.70	10
Ethmoidectomy/Antrostomy			
# M083 Intranasal ethmoidectomy including maxillary antrostomy, with endoscope – unilateral (not eligible for payment with M061			
or M054)		350.00	10
# E844 - bilateral procedure, to M083 add		200.00	
# Z350 Endoscopic sphenoidotomy - unilateral		123.70	10
# E843 - bilateral procedure, to Z350add		103.05	
# E845 - when performed using a 3D CT/MRI image guided			
system, to M083 or Z350add		140.00	
Note:			
E845 is only eligible for payment under the following circumstances:	:		
<ol> <li>Identification of the anatomy of the paranasal sinuses distorted by abnormalities of development or benign or malignant tumours; or</li> </ol>	/ previous	surgery, 1	trauma,
2.A pathological lesion abuts the base of the skull, orbit, optic nerve	e or caroti	d artery.	
# Z351 Endoscopic Septoplasty # M086 Trans-nasal endoscopic repair of CSF rhinorrhea (includes		122.40	10
harvesting of graft material) with or without 3D CT/MRI image guided system		822.45	15

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ENDOSCORY		5	
ENDOSCOPY			
<b>Laryngoscopy</b> # E600 - using operating microscope - to charges for laryngoscopy			
add		33.60	
Direct			
# Z292 - without biopsy		61.30	6
# Z293 - with biopsy		61.30	6
# Z322 - with removal of foreign body		106.45	6
# Z323 - with removal of lesion(s)		226.35	6
# E643 - when using laser with microlaryngoscopy for benign			
disease, to Z323 add		121.65	
<b>Note:</b> <b>1.</b> E600 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> in addition to E643.			
<b>2.</b> Z292 rendered in association with gastroscopy, oesophagoscop	V neenn	hanneconv-	
gastroscopy, duodenoscopy, and small bowel push enteroscopy		0 12	ole for
<i>payment</i> unless the laryngoscopy service is rendered for suspic		-	
Claims for Z292 in these circumstances are assessed by a med		<i>ultant</i> on a r	manual
review basis and require the submission of a written explanatior	1.		
[Commentary:			
Manual review is not required for Z293, Z322 and Z323 rendered i			
gastroscopy, oesophagoscopy, oesophagoscopy-gastroscopy, duc push enteroscopy services.]	uenosco	py, and sma	
# Z343 - with dilatation of larynx, to include bronchoscopy if		000.05	7
necessary		202.35	7
# Z324 - with biopsy or removal of foreign body		44.70	6
INTRODUCTION			
# M080 Teflon augmentation larynx		182.10	7
		102.10	•
EXCISION			
Laryngectomy	0	000.00	40
# M081 - total	6	838.90	13
<ul><li># E882 - with thyroid lobectomy, to M081 add</li><li># E883 - with thyroid lobectomy, must include excision of isthmus</li></ul>		177.40	
and pyramidal tract, to M081 add		266.60	
# E884 - with total thyroidectomy, to M081 add		374.00	
# M082 Laryngofissure	6	444.80	8
Note:	Ŭ		J
Excision to include laryngoscopy.			
Laryngectomy			
# M084 - segmental, including reconstruction	6	888.85	9
# M085 Arytenoidectomy or arytenoidopexy or lateralization procedure	6	395.05	8
	U	000.00	0

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REPAIR (TO INCLUDE LARYNGOSCOPY)			
# M090 Laryngoplasty - e.g. repair of stenosis and fractures,			
transections - not to be billed with M084		642.45	7
# M089 Creation of tracheo-oesophageal fistula	6	234.60	6
# Z320 Insertion of voice prosthesis		25.85	
# Z303 Removal of laryngeal stent or keel		240.20	6

#### **TRACHEA AND BRONCHI**

#### PREAMBLE

#### Asst Surg Anae

- **1.** When bronchoscopy, flexible or rigid, is rendered in conjunction with laryngoscopy or oesophagoscopy, only the bronchoscopy is eligible for payment.
- **2.** Bronchoscopy rendered by the same surgeon immediately following thoracic surgery under the same anaesthetic is *not eligible for payment*.
- **3.** Bronchoscopy (including intraoperative bronchoscopy) rendered the same *day* as a major lung resection is *not eligible for payment* if a bronchoscopy has been rendered by the same physician to the same patient in the 3-*week* period preceding the major lung resection.

#### ENDOSCOPY

#### Bronchoscopy

# Z360 Emergency rigid bronchoscopy for obstructed airway...... 474.65

#### Note:

- **1.**Z360 is eligible for payment only for life-threatening emergency situations where the patient is not intubated.
- 2.No other bronchoscopy service is eligible for payment with Z360.
- **3.**Life Threatening Critical Care and Other Critical Care services are not payable in addition to Z360 to the same physician for the same patient, same *day*.

# Z327	- flexible or rigid, with or without bronchial biopsy, suction or			
	injection of contrast material	nil	124.90	6
# E846	<ul> <li>rigid bronchoscopy rendered immediately after flexible</li> </ul>			
	bronchoscopy, to Z327 add		95.70	

#### Note:

E846 is *only eligible for payment* when rendered for the treatment of a condition identified by the preceding flexible bronchoscopy.

# E632 # E633	<ul> <li>with removal of foreign body, to Z327 add</li> <li>with dilatation of stricture, to Z327 add</li> </ul>	68.40 44.55
# E634	<ul> <li>with selective endobronchial blocker or catheter insertion, to Z327 add</li> </ul>	52.00
# E635	<ul> <li>with palliative endobronchial tumour resection including laser or cryotherapy, to Z327</li> </ul>	67.20
# E636	<ul> <li>with broncho-alveolar lavage for diagnosis of malignancy or diagnosis and/or treatment of infection and includes obtaining specimens suitable for differential cellular</li> </ul>	01.20
	analysis, to Z327 add	50.00
# E637	<ul> <li>with selective brushings of all 18 segmental bronchi for occult carcinoma in situ; specimens labeled as to site, to</li> </ul>	
	Z327 add	76.45
# E638	- with transbronchial lung biopsy with or without image	
	intensification, to Z327 add	81.90
# E622	<ul> <li>any bronchoscopic procedure for patients under 3 years of age, to Z327add</li> </ul>	79.40
# E677	- transbronchial needle aspiration (TBNA) of mediastinal	
	and/or hilar lymph nodes, to Z327 add	104.00

TRACHE	A AND BRONCHI	
		Asst Surg Anae
# E678	- TBNA of lung mass, to Z327 add	104.00
# E838	- bronchoscopy in a high risk patient with respiratory failure	
	(i.e. severe hypoxemia or hypercapnia), to Z327 add	79.40
Not	e:	
proc	8 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> unless the physician remains wit cedure is completed and until oxygen levels have returned to t apparent the patient will not require assisted ventilation.	•
# Z342 Li	mited bronchoscopy with placement of endobronchial blocker and/or double lumen tube	112.55
# Z359 R	epeat bronchoscopy for tracheobronchial toilet when performed within one week of another bronchoscopic procedure	56.65 6
# G050 Ei	ndobronchial ultrasound (EBUS), for guided biopsy of hilar and/or mediastinal lymph nodes	203.05
# E837	<ul> <li>additional biopsy(s) performed by EBUS, to a maximum of 3, to G050 add</li> </ul>	50.75

TRACHEA AND BRONCHI			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Quadroscopy or panendoscopy# Z355- with or without biopsy (nasopharyngoscopy, laryngoscopy, bronchoscopy, oesophagoscopy with or without gastro-duodenoscopy) using separate instruments in search of malignant disease		321.45	6
TRACHEO-BRONCHIAL ASPIRATION			
<ul> <li># Z344 First procedure</li> <li># Z345 Subsequent procedures performed by same physician</li> <li>Note:</li> <li>Not to apply to:</li> <li>1.operating surgeons,</li> <li>2.when respiratory unit fees apply; or</li> <li>3.within the first two hours post-operatively.</li> </ul>		45.95 18.60	
<ul> <li># Z326 Change of tracheostomy tube</li> <li># Z346 Transtracheal aspiration</li> <li># Z356 Closure of persistent tracheostoma</li> </ul>		12.50 22.35 133.95	6
INCISION# Z741Tracheotomy# E639- with anterior cricoid split add# Z738Insertion of Montgomery "T" Tube or similar laryngeal or	6	273.15 78.50	6
tracheal stent # Z325 Emergency tracheotomy	6 10	216.10 474.65	8 10
<ul> <li>Note:</li> <li>1.Z325 is eligible for payment only for life-threatening emergency is not intubated.</li> <li>2.Percutaneous tracheostomy, cricothyroidotomy or other emerge constitute Z325.</li> </ul>			-
EXCISION			
<ul> <li>E623 - repeat operation after 30 days add</li> <li># M099 Segmental resection of cervical trachea</li></ul>	9	415.15 918.60 314.20	10
<ul> <li># M103 Segmental resection of trachea with either sternotomy or thoracotomy</li> <li># M104 Carinal resection (without pulmonary resection)</li> </ul>	9 11	1294.20 825.40	13 15
REPAIR			
# M100 Tracheal rupture, transcervical # M101 Tracheal-bronchial rupture, transthoracic	9 9	654.30 868.15	10 13

CHEST WALL AND MEDIASTINUM			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
EXCISION			
<ul><li># M105 Chest wall tumour, resection of 2 or 3 ribs or cartilages</li><li># E847 - with reconstruction of diaphragm requiring repair with</li></ul>	9	650.00	13
mesh or equivalent synthetic material to M105 add		75.00	
Chest wall reconstruction			
# E640 - after chest wall resection where a significant defect (minimum 5 cm in diameter) remains requiring repair with synthetic materialadd		179.55	
# E601 - for each additional rib (more than 3) to a maximum of 3			
additionaladd		57.50	
# E602 - with sternal resection add		177.95	
<ul><li># M107 Total sternectomy</li><li># N284 Excision of first rib and/or cervical rib to include scalenotomy</li></ul>	9	812.25	13
when required	6	408.00	6
# M106 Mediastinal tumour	9	1004.00	13
# E847 - with reconstruction of diaphragm requiring repair with mesh or equivalent synthetic material to M106 add		75.00	
# M108 Ligation of thoracic duct - as sole procedure	6	410.45	6
# E683 - when performed thorascopically, by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), by robotic-assisted surgery, or by uniportal approach, to M106 or M108 add 35%	-		
REPAIR			
Chest wall - pleura			
# M109 - closed (see General Preamble GP12)		IC	6
# M110 - open (see General Preamble GP12)		IC	13
# M112 - Sternal debridement and rewiring with or without special	_		_
mechanical instrumentation – as sole procedure	6	500.00	7
# M116 - fixation for trauma	6	350.00	7
<ul> <li># E604 - for fixation of each additional rib exceeding four ribs. add</li> <li># M117 Sternal fixation for trauma</li> </ul>	6	55.60 251.45	2 6
# R352 Pectus excavatum or carinatum repair (by reconstruction, not		201.40	0
implant)	6	832.30	11
SURGICAL COLLAPSE			
Thoracoplasty # M111 - one stage	9	304.20	10
<ul><li># M111 - one stage</li><li># E605 - for each additional rib (more than 3) to a maximum of 3</li></ul>	9	304.20	10
additionaladd		55.60	
# Z742 Phrenicotomy	6	106.45	6
	v	100.40	U

CHEST	WALL AND MEDIASTINUM	_	-	
		Asst	Surg	Anae
INC	CISION			
# Z353	Incisional biopsy of chest wall tumour	6	110.90	7
# Z354	Excisional biopsy of rib for tumour	6	142.20	7
# Z357	Thoracic window creation	6	228.25	7
# Z358	Thoracic window closure	6	111.20	6
EN	DOSCOPY			
# Z329	Mediastinoscopy	6	380.00	7
# Z330	- with bronchoscopy	6	490.00	7
# Z333	<ul> <li>with transbronchial biopsy under image intensification</li> </ul>			
	(including bronchoscopy)	6	317.20	7
# Z328	- with mediastinotomy	6	475.80	7
# Z348	- with bronchoscopy and mediastinotomy	6	605.85	7
An	terior mediastinotomy			
# Z347	- when sole procedure performed	6	300.00	6

LUNGS	AND PLEURA	_	_	
LONGO		Asst	Surg	Anae
ΙΝΤ	RODUCTION - THORACENTESIS		5	
	Aspiration for diagnostic sample		37.35	
	Aspiration with therapeutic drainage with or without diagnostic		01100	
	sample		68.10	6
E542	- when performed outside hospitaladd		11.55	
Z349				
	agent - by any method		23.25	
# Z334	Total unilateral lung lavage with or without bronchoscopy using			
	Double Lumen Tube and single lung anaesthesia		304.60	13
EN	DOSCOPY			
	Thoracoscopy (pleuroscopy) with or without pleural biopsy,			
11 2000	suction, etc.		242.35	7
	CISION			
	Biopsy of lung, needle		158.70	7
# Z336	Biopsy of pleura, needle - including diagnostic aspiration		59.15	6
# Z341	Tube thoracostomy for closed drainage (chest tube)		76.80	6
	Intrapleural administration of thrombolytic or fibrinolytic agent			
	via thoracostomy tube (chest tube)		50.00	
# Z363	Removal of thoracostomy tube (chest tube)		20.00	
	ayment rules:			
Z	363 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> for the same patient on the same	day as Z3	341.	
# Z349	Intrapleural administration of chemotherapy or sclerosing			
	agent - by any method		23.25	
# Z337	Rib resection for drainage	6	133.10	7
# M133	Thoracotomy for removal of foreign body	9	390.65	13
	Thoracotomy with or without biopsy	9	390.65	13
	Thoracotomy for post-operative haemorrhage or empyema	9	390.65	13
	Repair of ruptured diaphragm or plication of diaphragm by			
	thoracic approach	9	900.00	13
# M130	Closure of broncho-pleural fistula (transthoracic or			
// 101100	trans-sternal)	9	584.75	13
# E609	- with intercostal muscle bundle, pericardium, Azygos vein,	U		10
	or pericardial fat pad, to M130 add		121.70	
# E610	- with myovascular flap (pectoralis major, latissimus dorsi,			
	rectus abdominus) add		263.80	
# M125	,	11	848.80	15
# 10135 # Z339	Major decortication of lung for empyema or tumour Intercostal drainage with insufflation of sclerosing agent under	11	040.00	15
# 2009	general anaesthesia	6	182.90	6
	general analognoola	U U	102.00	0

#### LUNGS AND PLEURA

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Chronic indwelling pleural catheter for palliative management of malignant pleural effusion

Z361	Insertion of indwelling catheter	200.00
Z362	Removal of indwelling catheter	200.00

#### Note:

**1.**Z361 and Z362 include any image guidance and interpretation.

**2.**Z361 and Z362 are not payable for adjustment of a previously inserted indwelling pleural catheter. The applicable visit fee may be claimed.

LUNGS	AND PLEURA			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
EX	CISION			
# Z338	Biopsy of pleura or lung - with limited thoracotomy	9	202.80	13
# M138	Hilar lymph node or lung biopsy with full thoracotomy	9	534.10	13
# M142 # E609	Pneumonectomy, may include radical mediastinal node dissection, sampling or pericardial resection requiring repair - with intercostal muscle bundle, pericardium, Azygos vein	10	1700.00	14
	or pericardial fat pad, to M142add		121.70	
# M143	Lobectomy, may include radical mediastinal node dissection or sampling	10	1402.60	13
# E644	<ul> <li>radical mediastinal node dissection following preoperative chemotherapy and/or radiotherapy, to M142, M143, S089 or S090</li> </ul>		400.00	
# E683	<ul> <li>when performed thorascopically, by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), by robotic-assisted surgery, or by uniportal approach, to M142 or M143 add 35%</li> </ul>			
# M144 # E683	Segmental resection, including segmental bronchus and artery - when performed thorascopically, by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), by robotic-assisted surgery, or by uniportal approach, to M144 add 35%	10	1441.75	13
# M145	Wedge resection of lung	10	843.40	13
# M151	Bullectomy for major bullous disease	10	725.00	13
# M149	Pleurectomy, and/or apical bullectomy for pneumothorax	10	525.00	13
E683	<ul> <li>when performed thorascopically, by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), by robotic-assisted surgery, or by uniportal approach, to M145, M149 or M151 add 35%</li> </ul>			

LUNGS	AND PLEURA			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
The	e following E codes may apply to the preceding M prefix exc	cision cod	es:	
# E612	- total extra-pleural pneumonectomy add		338.35	
# E613	- sleeve pneumonectomyadd		500.00	
# E614	- omental graftadd		162.45	
# E615	- intra-pericardial dissectionadd		250.00	
# E611	<ul> <li>with resection of diaphragm and direct suture closure</li> </ul>			
	add		145.00	
# E849	<ul> <li>with resection of diaphragm and reconstruction requiring</li> </ul>			
	repair with mesh or equivalent synthetic material add		220.00	
# E848	- with reconstruction of pericardium requiring repair with			
	synthetic graft material add		80.00	
# E616	- bi-lobectomy on right sideadd		142.10	
# E617	- with pleural tentadd		78.80	
# E618	- with decortication of remaining lobe(s)add		121.85	
# E619	- sleeve lobectomy add		162.45	
# E620	- with wedge bronchoplasty add		78.80	
# E621	- with diagnostic wedge resectionadd		45.85	
# E624	- with completion pneumonectomy for positive resection			
	margin add		111.20	
# E625	- with sleeve resection of pulmonary artery add		142.20	
# E608	- each additional wedge resection of lung (to a maximum of			
	3) add		84.15	
# E607	- re-operation more than 30 days subsequent to previous		450.00	
	excision, to appropriate excision fee add		152.30	
# M155	Lung transplant (one lung)	18	2054.25	40
M156	Repeat lung transplant (one lung)	24	2670.55	40
M157	Donor Heart - Lung removal	8	906.45	8

#### PREAMBLE

- **1.** Unless otherwise stated, excision or repair procedures for arteries and veins include endartectomy, thrombectomy and/or bypass graft.
- 2. Excision or repair procedures for arteries and veins include harvest of graft tissue, except where harvest of graft tissue is explicitly excluded from the procedure. Where harvest of graft tissue is included as a specific element of the procedure, the harvest is an insured service payable at nil.

### **CARDIOVASCULAR SURGICAL PROCEDURES**

#### HEART AND PERICARDIUM

#### Asst Surg Anae

<b>Note:</b> Preliminary diagnostic catheterization - extra to operative fees (see Diag Therapeutic Procedures). The basic anaesthetic fee of 28 units or more cardiovascular surgery includes such procedures as insertion of C.V.P. lin (G268), blood sampling, blood analysis and interpretations.	for major	erial line
# R700 With hypothermia and without bypass - basic fee for cardiovascular procedures	-	25
<b>Note:</b> R700 replaces procedural basic code when hypothermia is used where than 25 units.	basic is less	
# Z759 Removal of failed vascular graft without arterial reconstruction - when sole procedure	189.55	6
<ul> <li># E655 - re-operation for failed vascular grafts - for repair or replacement of existing prosthesis (more than one month after original operation)</li></ul>	348.70	0
Pump bypass		
# E650 - includes cannulating and decannulating heart or major vein, major artery, supervision of pump and pump run	074.00	00
<ul> <li># E682 - graft of major vessel other than ascending aorta for the purpose of cardiopulmonary bypass or ventricular assist</li> </ul>	371.00	28
device, to E650 add	423.85	
<b>Note:</b> Anaesthesiologist - see General Preamble GP92 to GP98.		
Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenator (ECMO)		
# Z788 - includes cannulating and decannulating, by any method, heart, vein and/or artery and repair of vessels if rendered.	366.50	6
Circulatory assist device e.g. intra-aortic balloon		
# Z743 - open	307.80	7
# Z780 - percutaneous	219.80	7
<b>Note:</b> Includes cannulation, repair of artery, daily care and supervision.		

HEART AND PERICARDIUM			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Decannulation of circulatory assist device			
# Z744 - open		123.05	6
# Z781 - percutaneous		39.00	·
Note:			
1. Includes repair of artery.			
<b>2.</b> R815 not to be claimed in addition to Z744.			
Repositioning of intra-aortic balloon pump			
# Z751 - open		127.95	6
# Z782 - percutaneous		82.55	-
Note:			
No claim to be made for repositioning within 24 hrs of original ins	ertion.		
Re-operation involving open heart procedures			
# E670 - following previous thoracotomy add		224.70	
# E671 - following previous sternotomy add		543.60	
Note:			
More than one <i>month</i> after original operation.			
Cardiac massage			
# R765 - open	13	231.30	13
Note:			
For closed massage - see Critical Care - Diagnostic and Therape	eutic Proce	edures.	
# Z433 Replacement of pacemaker pack (single or multiple leads)		146.45	6
# Z444 Insertion of permanent endocardial electrode and implantation			
of pack, includes insertion of temporary transvenous lead at	6	323.75	6
same surgical procedure by same surgeon # Z445 Repositioning of permanent endocardial electrode (as	0	323.73	0
separate procedure)		323.75	6
# Z435 Insertion of permanent endocardial electrode(s)		154.10	
# Z436 Exposure of vein and implantation of pack		166.55	6
# R752 Atrio-ventricular sequential pacemaker with permanent atrial			
and ventricular endocardial electrodes	6	454.55	6
# R751 Implantation of epicardial electrode(s) plus implantation of	e	465.00	20
pack # Z429 Implantation of coronary sinus lead for biventricular pacing	6 6	465.00 299.25	20 8
	0	200.20	0

HEART	AND PERICARDIUM			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
Ven	tricular assist devices			
# R701	- uni-ventricular	18	721.60	28
# R702	- bi-ventricular	18	1334.80	28
# R703	- paracorporeal	18	1443.05	28
# R704	- implantable	18	2163.35	28
# R705	- removal of ventricular assist device	18	508.55	20
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### Payment rules:

**1.**R701 or R702 are eligible for payment only for paracorporeal devices inserted for less than 14 days.

**2.**Despite payment rule #1, R701 is also eligible for payment in addition to R703 or R704 when a right ventricular assist device is inserted to support a left ventricular assist device, regardless of the duration of insertion of the right ventricular assist device.

**3.**R703 is eligible for payment only for paracorporeal devices inserted for 14 or more *day*s.

- **4.**R705 is *only eligible for payment* for removal of paracorporeal or implantable ventricular assist devices inserted for 14 or more days.
- 5.R705 includes repair of vessels when rendered.
- **6.**Z744 (decannulation of circulatory assist device) is eligible for payment for removal of paracorporeal or implantable ventricular assist devices inserted for less than 14 days.
- **7.**Only one of Z744 or R705 is eligible for payment per patient per *day* for removal of ventricular assist devices.
- **8.**Extracorporeal membrane oxygenator procedures do not constitute R701, R702, R703 or R704.

### [Commentary:

**1.**Extracorporeal membrane oxygenator procedures are eligible for payment as Z788.

- **2.**Z744 or R705 are eligible for payment when rendered with cardiac transplantation.
- **3.** If a ventricular assist device is replaced, both the appropriate removal and insertion fee codes are eligible for payment.]

### Claims submission instructions:

Submit claims for R703 and R705 only after the device has been inserted for 14 or more days.

# Z412 Replacement or repair of pacemaker lead	6	110.75	7			
<ul> <li># Z428 Pacemaker lead extraction, including the use of extraction sheathes, with or without laser or similar technologyadd</li> <li># E628 - each additional lead extractionadd</li> </ul>	10	598.50 194.50	7			
Implantation of cardioverter (CD) defibrillator						
# R753 - by thoracotomy	6	720.30	20			
# R761 - by transvenous approach	6	587.35	8			
<b>Note:</b> Induction of ventricular arrhythmia at time of CD implant payable at 85%. See note re: G259 in Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures.						
# Z415 Removal and/or replacement of implantable cardioverter defibrillator	6	339.45	7			

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	Asst	Surg	Anae
Thoracotomy			
# M137 - with or without biopsy	9	390.65	13
# M134 - for post-operative haemorrhage	9	390.65	13
# Z401 Aspiration of pericardium		131.70	
# Z414 Injection of pericardial sclerosing agents		23.10	
# R750 Open biopsy of pericardium and drainage (transthoracic or epigastric)	13	317.85	13
Pericardiectomy			
# R748 - one side open	13	635.45	20
# R749 - both sides open or sternal split	13	1001.40	20
Cardiotomy			
# R712 - with exploration	18	525.75	20
# R713 - with removal of foreign body	18	635.45	20
# R714 - with removal of tumour	18	525.75	20
# E660 - epicardial E.P.S. mappingadd		185.15	
# E661 - endocardial E.P.S. mappingadd		185.15	
# E658 - HIS Bundle ablationadd		278.10	
# R711 Division of accessory conduction pathway (to include			
cardiotomy, mapping with or without HIS bundle)	nil	741.55	20
# R709 Left atrial ablative procedure for surgical treatment of atrial			
arrhythmia (either Cox-Maze procedure or performed using	10	770 65	20
an energy source)	18	778.65	20
<b>Note:</b> R709 includes all left atrial ablation sites, internal exclusion or ext	ornal ovci	sion of the l	oft atrial
appendage, and the ablation procedure involving the pulmonary			eitatilai
# R706 Right and left atrial ablative procedure for treatment of atrial arrhythmia - surgical procedure or performed with an energy			
source	18	1245.85	20
Note:	10	1240.00	20
R706 includes all the required elements of R709 and also include	e the able	ation proced	luro
involving any endocardial and epicardial right atrial ablation lines			uic
<b>[Commentary:</b> Examples of energy sources used for ablation <i>may include</i> cryoa	hlation m	icrowave o	r
radiofrequency (unipolar or bipolar) ablation.]	biation, m		1
# R710 Resection/ablation for ventricular tachycardia (to include cardiotomy, mapping with or without HIS bundle)		1112.15	20
		1112.15	20
Excision	10	740 45	00
# R920 Ventricular tumour	18	712.15	28
# R746 Ventricular aneurysm	18	864.50	28
# R747 Aneurysm of sinus of Valsalva	18	783.55	28
# E648 - excision of extensive endocardial scar, to ventriculotomy or		125 00	
aneurysm repairadd # R741_Coronany arteny endarterectomy and/or gas endarterectomy	18	135.80 730.70	20
# R741 Coronary artery endarterectomy and/or gas endarterectomy	10	130.70	20

HEART A	AND PERICARDIUM			
# E651	- when done in conjunction with coronary artery repair add	Asst	<b>Surg</b> 202.05	Anae
	<b>te:</b> 41, E651 - for multiple or complex procedures, assessment by ailable and may be requested.	the <i>Medic</i>	cal Consulta	<i>nt</i> is
# R740 L # E521	eft atrial appendage occlusion/excision by suture or device, Sole procedureadd - when done in conjunction with another procedureadd	6	400.00 200.00	7
	yment rules:		700	

E521 is not eligible for payment for the same patient on the same day as R709.

HEART AND PERICARDIUM			
HEART AND PERICARDION	Asst	Surg	Anae
	A331	ourg	Ande
Coronary artery repair			
# R742 - one	18	895.55	20
# R743 - two	18	1278.10	20
# E654 - each additionaladd		188.85	
# E645 - off pump coronary artery bypass grafting, to R742 or R74		274.00	40
add	24	371.00	40
Note:	ooo aroffin	n ia randara	d
<ol> <li>For the anaesthesiologist, when off-pump coronary artery byp submit claim using E645C with 40 basic units plus time units, See General Preamble GP98.</li> </ol>			
2. For the surgical assistant, when off-pump coronary artery bypa	ass grafting	is rendered	, submit
claim using E645B with 24 basic units plus time units, instead	of R742B	or R743B.	
<ol><li>Where a single segment of vein is used for more than 2 anas</li></ol>	tomoses, th	e second a	nd
subsequent anastomoses are to be claimed at 50% of the E6	54 fee.		
# E652 - use of internal mammary or epigastric or radial artery for			
construction of bypass graft, to R742 or R743 add		187.85	
# E646 - vein patch angioplasty of coronary artery add		187.80	
Interruption of bronchial collateral arteries (one or more arte	ries)		
# R857 - as sole procedure	13	730.70	20
# E663 - when done in conjunction with other cardiac surgery add		183.00	20
		100100	
Ligation or division patent ductus	4.0		
# R754 - infant or child	13	525.75	20
# R755 - adolescent or adult	13	730.70	20
Resection coarctation			
# R757 - infant	13	785.90	20
# R756 - child	13	755.80	20
# R758 - adolescent or adult	13	984.90	20
# R759 Congenital heart procedures - e.g. Blalock, Glenn, Potts,			
Waterston or Central	13	774.35	20
Creation of ASD			
# R763 - by balloon septostomy	9	317.85	9
# R762 - by thoracotomy or Sterling Edwards	18	755.80	20
Closure of atrial septal defect	40		20
# R715 - secundum	18	755.80	20
# R716 - endocardial cushion and valve defect	18 19	1124.70	20
<ul><li># R717 - with anamalous pulmonary venous drainage</li><li># R718 Closure of ventricular septal defect</li></ul>	18 18	948.75 948.75	28 28
	10	940.19	20
Note:			

R718 should be claimed only once regardless of the number of defects repaired by one patch.

#### **HEART AND PERICARDIUM** Asst Surg Anae Percutaneous transluminal catheter assisted closure for Secundum arterial septal defect - device closure of a single defect ..... Z465 198.55 Z466 - device closure of two or more defects ..... 347.45 Note: A maximum of 2 services of either Z465 or Z466 are *eligible for payment* if the services are rendered by 2 different physicians, same patient same day. # R870 Orthotopic cardiac transplantation ..... 18 1443.05 28 # R872 Donor cardiectomy ..... 7 481.40 8 # R874 Cardiopulmonary transplantation 18 2565.30 28 8 # M157 Donor Heart - Lung removal ..... 8 906.45

HEART AND PERICARDIUM	Asst	Surg	Anae
REPAIR			
# R720 Total repair Tetralogy of Fallot - with or without previous arterial shunt	18	1285.00	28
# R722 Total anomalous pulmonary venous drainage	18	1152.30	28
# R723 Total correction transposition of great vessels	18	1152.30	28
# R721 Arterial repair of transposition	18	1739.20	28
# R921 Complete A-V canal	18	1480.40	28
# R922 Single ventricle	18	1687.50	28
# R923 Double outlet - right/left ventricle	18	1516.70	28
# R924 Double outlet ventricle with transposition	18	1728.90	28
# R925 Truncus arteriosus	18	1718.55	28
# R926 Interrupted aortic arch	18	1516.70	28
# R927 Aorto-pulmonary window	18	960.40	28
# R928 R-V outflow tract with valve and tubular graft	18	1064.55	28
# R929 Debanding arterioplasty of pulmonary artery	18	943.45	28
# R768 Pulmonary artery banding	13	628.95	20
# R769 - with pressure studies by anaesthetist, extra/hour		-	6
# R770 Correction of cor triatriatum	18	885.60	20
# R771 Vascular ring	18	755.80	20

VALVES			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
# R724 Pulmonary valvotomy	. 18	663.10	28
# R725 Pulmonary valvotomy and infundibular resection		758.80	28
# R772 Pulmonary valve replacement	. 18	758.80	28
# R726 Tricuspid valvotomy	. 18	778.25	20
# R727 Tricuspid annuloplasty		678.80	20
# R731 Tricuspid valvuloplasty		770.55	28
# R728 Tricuspid valve replacement	. 18	777.40	28
# R729 Mitral valvotomy	. 18	717.25	20
# R730 Mitral valvotomy - restenosis	. 18	798.80	20
# R734 Mitral annuloplasty	. 18	789.60	20
# R735 Mitral replacement		1200.00	28
# R733 Mitral valvuloplasty		963.40	28
Mitral valve reconstruction			
# R773 - simple (includes annuloplasty)	. 18	1648.25	28
# R774 - complex (includes annuloplasty and repair of both the			
anterior and posterior leaflets)	. 18	2058.20	28
# R930 Aortic valvoloplasty	. 18	837.70	28
# R736 Aortic valvotomy		707.85	20
# R737 Aortic infundibular resection (ventriculomyotomy)	. 18	869.70	28
# R738 Aortic valve replacement	. 18	1049.20	28
# E647 - patch aortoplasty with pericardium or graft, to R738			
and/or aortic annuloplastyadd	ł	264.70	
# E656 - aortic annuloplasty (reconstruction and enlargement of	_		
aortic annulus), to R738 and/or patch aortoplastyado	ł	288.85	
# R863 Replacement of aortic valve, replacement of ascending aorta		2070.60	28
and reimplantation of coronary arteries (Modified Bentall).			
# R876 Valve sparing aortic root replacement or remodelling	. 18	2144.95	28
Note:	_		

Multivalvular replacement - the fee will be that for the major valve replaced plus 85% of the fee for the additional valve or valves.

ARTERIES			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Cannulation for infusion chemotherapy			
# R775 - superficial temporal artery	6	95.80	6
# R776 - hepatic artery	6	263.05	7
# R778 - carotid artery	6	148.50	6
# R760 Regional isolation perfusion e.g. iliac	10	410.45	10
# R764 Exploration of major artery	6	271.60	10
INCISION			
# Z402 Arteriotomy		117.30	6
Note:			
Z402 not allowed in addition to other major cardiovascular surge	ry.		
REPAIR			
	•	040.05	4.0
# R790 Suture of lacerated major artery	6	316.85	10
# R795 Repair of lacerated major artery or microscopic repair of digital			
artery (including patch angioplasty)	10	598.40	10
# R862 - by bypass or interposition graft	10	834.30	10
LIGATION			
# R781 Ligation of artery - as sole procedure	6	170.10	8
# R788 Internal maxillary artery - Caldwell Luc approach	7	408.10	10
# R789 Anterior ethmoid artery	6	299.85	7
# R708 Internal iliac artery (unilateral or bilateral)	7	409.55	10
EXCISION AND/OR REPAIR			
<ol> <li>Common femoral artery repair (e.g. R784, R785) includes repair t as far as the first major branch.</li> </ol>	to the prof	unda femor	is artery
<ol> <li>If the repair extends beyond the first major branch of the profunda claimed in addition.</li> </ol>	a femoris a	artery, R815	i may be
<ol> <li>If the repair extends beyond the second major branch of the profusion instead of R815 may be claimed in addition.</li> </ol>	ında femo	ris artery, F	856
4. For procedures involving the application of a complete aortic cross	s clamp th	e anaesthe	tic basic

- **4.** For procedures involving the application of a complete aortic cross clamp, the anaesthetic basic fee will depend on:
  - a. the level of application of the cross clamp; and
  - **b.** the surgical exposure and extent of the aortic repair

# E679	<ul> <li>with vein graft harvest remote from site of by-pass and</li> </ul>		
	only when saphenous vein is unavailable add	124.10	
# E649	<ul> <li>embolectomy and/or thrombectomy when done in</li> </ul>		
		440.45	

conjunction with other vascular procedures...... add 112.45

#### ARTERIES

#### Note:

E649 is *only eligible for payment* under the following circumstances:

- **a**.when embolectomy and/or thrombectomy is rendered at a site other than the main operative site; or
- **b**.when embolectomy and/or thrombectomy is rendered at the main operative site and thrombus and/or embolus was present prior to surgery.

#### [Commentary:

E649 is *not eligible for payment* when rendered at the main operative site in any other circumstance other than paragraph b above.]

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ARTERIES			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
# R875 Endovascular aneurysm repair using stent grafting	10	1396.90	17
# E627 - ruptured aneurysm, to R875add		400.00	
# E510 - for branched or fenestrated devices, to R875add		838.15	
# E509 - conduit to aorta or common iliac artery, to R875add		805.65	

#### Note:

**1.** These services include insertion of all catheters including access catheters, interpretation of any images which may be taken at the time of the procedures.

- **2.**E510 is *not eligible for payment* for branched or fenestrated devices to the common iliac artery(s).
- **3.**E510 is not eligible for payment with E627.

### [Commentary:

**1.**Endovascular repair for abdominal aortic aneurysms is only recommended for patients who are at high-risk of per*iop*erative morbidity or death from open surgical repair.

2. For open repair of abdominal aorta aneurysms, see page Q14.]

### Abdominal surgical exposure

# R880	- supraceliac aortic cross clamp		-	20
# R881	- infraceliac aortic cross clamp		-	17
# R882	Thoracic surgical exposure		-	25
	Thoraco-abdominal surgical exposure		-	30
# R815	Arterioplasty with or without patch graft including microvascular			
	anastomosis, arterial or venous (other than listed below)	10	581.85	10
Ca	rotid			
# R792	- endarterectomy, with or without bypass graft	10	841.00	10
# E665	- with patch graft, to R792add		419.00	
	ote:			
R	815 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> with R792.			
# R796	- carotid body tumour	10	769.85	10
# R798	- aneurysm - reconstruction or excision with graft	10	820.70	10
Ао	rtic arch reconstruction			
# R830	- innominate	10	910.70	10
# R831	- subclavian	10	910.70	10
# R832	- vertebral	10	867.35	10
# E659	- with thoracotomyadd	6	169.00	
# E667	- rupturedadd		266.60	

ARTERIES			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Thoracic aorta aneurysm - repair or excision with graft			
# R799 - ascending	18	1473.15	20
# R800 - arch	18	1840.35	20
# R801 - descending with or without temporary shunt	10	1260.30	20
# E667 - rupturedadd		266.60	
# R803 Thoraco-abdominal aneurysm	18	2859.30	30
If the services of a second anaesthetist are required, the second to claim R803C.	anaesthe	tist is also p	permitted
Abdominal aorta - repair or excision with graft			
# R802 - aneurysm repair alone or including unilateral common femoral repair	10	1585.50	17
# R817 - aneurysm repair and bilateral common femoral repair	10	2327.50	17
# R877 - aneurysm with repair of iliac artery aneurysm (unilateral or			
bilateral)	10	2116.90	17
# E626 - with implantation of inferior mesenteric artery, to R802, R817 or R877add		174.35	
# E627runtured appurvem to R802 R803 R817 or R877 add		400.00	

 # E627
 - ruptured aneurysm to R802, R803, R817 or R877 .... add
 400.00

 # E986
 - suprarenal or supraceliac aortic cross clamp, to R802, R817 or R877 ..... add
 250.00

### [Commentary:

For endovascular aneurysm repair, see page Q13.]

ARTERIES				
		Asst	Surg	Anae
Mesenteric or celiac		10	440.05	10
,	d only	10 10	410.85 410.85	10 10
	/ or graft	10	954.10	10
Note:		10	554.10	10
	on of celiac ganglion.			
	ooendarterectomy (PTE) - includes st with hypothermia	18	2021.05	28
Aorto-Iliac repair				
# R783 - including comm	on iliac repair (uni- or bilateral)	10	2002.00	17
•	common femoral repair	10	2102.00	17
•	ommon femoral repair	10	2327.50	17
• •	tion of inferior mesenteric arteryadd		174.35	
# R814 - embolectomy o	r thrombectomy of bifurcation (aorta or graft)	10	461.50	10
# R858 Total removal of in	fected aortic graft (stem and limbs)*	10	918.35	17
# E664 - closure of duc	odenumadd		127.05	
	infected aortic graft (one limb only)* supraceliac aortic cross clamp, to R783,	10	344.00	10
	R858 or R859add		250.00	
<b>Note:</b> * Arterial reconstruct	tion extra.			
# R805 Renal artery - ane	urysm - reconstruction or excision with graft	10	867.35	10
•	r	10	867.35	10
# R807 Splenic artery ane	urysm - reconstruction or excision with graft	10	411.05	10
# R786 Iliac repair to inclu	de internal iliac aneurysm	10	805.65	10
-	s graft	10	805.65	10
Per-obturator ilio-fer				
# R860 - with saphenous	s vein	10	898.55	10
# R861 - with prosthetic	graft	10	876.85	10
Profundoplasty				
	profunda femoris repair - as sole procedure	10	559.20	10
	oplasty	10	818.80	10
·	noro-femoral or axillo-axillary graft	10	656.55	10
	raft	10	1200.00	10
6	ateral graft (for bilateral see R785)	10	867.35	17
# R873 Thrombin injection	n - reconstruction or excision with graft n of femoral artery pseudoaneurysm	10	600.30 68.20	10 6
Note:	on rendered in conjunction with D972			
	en rendered in conjunction with R873.			
# R864 Repair of false and	eurysm at groin anastomosis	10	893.20	10

ARTERIES			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
# R809 Femoral-popliteal endarterectomy	10	759.60	10
# R878 Subintimal dissection for recanalization of femoral/popiteal/			
tibial arterial occlusive disease	10	759.60	10
# R879 Subintimal dissection for recanalization of iliac/aorta arterial	1.0		1.0
occlusive disease	10	759.60	10
# E815 - angioplasty remote from subintimal dissection site, to R878 and R879add		398.15	
Note:			
E815 includes placement of stent(s) or any other device(s), whe	n rendered		
Payment rules:			
<ol> <li>R878 is not eligible for payment same patient same day as R8 or R797.</li> </ol>	09, R791, I	R794, R787	7, R780
2.R879 is not eligible for payment same patient same day as R7 R861.	83, R784, I	R785, R860	) or
3.R878 and R879 include catheter placement, angiography and Obtaining and interpreting any images in conjunction with R878 payment to any physician.			gible for
4.Bilateral procedures for R878 or R879 are payable only as sep subintimal dissection is performed using separate bilateral inci		ices when	
Femoro-popliteal			
# R791 - with saphenous vein	10	1077.25	10
# E672 - composite femoral popliteal/tibial bypass (vein PFPE,	-		-
dacron)add		133.40	
# R794 - with prosthetic graft	10	733.15	10
Femoro-anterior/posterial tibial/peroneal bypass graft			
# R787 - with saphenous or arm vein, with or without splicing	10	1265.00	10
# E672 - composite femoral popliteal/tibial bypass (vein PFPE,			
dacron)add		133.40	
# R780 - with prosthetic graft	10	878.00	10
Note:			
R791, E672, R794, R787, E672, R780 with or without endartered	ctomy.		
# R810 Popliteal aneurysm	7	805.65	10
# R812 Peripheral arteries other than listed - aneurysm	7	410.45	10
# R813 Embolectomy - artery or graft - as sole procedure	7	490.00	10
# R867 Thrombectomy - artery or graft - as sole procedure	7	490.00	10
# R866 Gastric devascularization - as sole procedure	10	549.65	10

ARTERIES			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
In-situ saphenous vein arterial bypass			
# R797 - popliteal	10	1414.15	17
One Vascular Surgeon			
# R804 - tibial	10	1643.00	17
Two Vascular Surgeons			
# R766 - tibial - first surgeon	10	1303.00	17
# R767 - tibial - second surgeon	nil	1303.00	nil
Two Vascular Surgeons # R766 - tibial - first surgeon	10	1303.00	17

#### Payment rules:

**1.**R766 and R767 are *only eligible for payment* to a physician that is a vascular surgeon with a specialty designation in General Surgery (03) or Vascular Surgery (17).

2.R766 and R767 are not eligible for payment with R804.

#### [Commentary:

Surgical assistant units associated with R766 are only eligible for payment to one physician.]

#### VEINS

### Asst Surg Anae

#### Varicose veins involving the long and/or short saphenous vein(s)

Surgical services (ligation/stripping) for the treatment of varicose veins involving the long saphenous and/or short saphenous vein(s) are only insured when all of the following conditions are met:

- **1.** There is incompetence (i.e. reflux) at the saphenofemoral junction or saphenopopliteal junction that is documented by Doppler or duplex ultrasound scanning;
- The patient has failed a trial of conservative management of at least three months duration; and
- 3. The patient has at least one of the conditions described in either a. or b. below:

**a.**One or more of the following signs of chronic venous insufficiency:

- i. Eczema;
- ii. Pigmentation;
- iii. Lipodermatosclerosis;
- iv. Ulceration

**b**.Varicosities that result in one or more of the following:

- i. Ulceration secondary to venous stasis;
- ii. One or more significant hemorrhages from a ruptured superficial varicosity;
- iii. Two or more episodes of minor hemorrhage from a ruptured superficial varicosity;
- iv. Recurrent superficial thrombophlebitis;
- v. Stasis dermatitis;
- vi. Varicose eczema;
- vii. Lipodermosclerosis;
- viii. Unremitting edema or intractable pain interfering with activities of daily living and requiring chronic analgesic medication.
- **1.**Conservative management includes analgesics and prescription gradient support compression stockings.
- **2.**Significant hemorrhage refers to a hemorrhage related to varicose veins that requires iron therapy or transfusion.]

### LIGATION/STRIPPING

# Z745 Saphenous		53.20	6
# R868 High ligation and stripping of long saphenous vein with groin			
dissection	6	200.00	7
# R869 Stripping of short saphenous vein with popliteal dissection	6	107.50	7
# R837 Multiple ligation and avulsion	6	200.00	7
# R844 Recurrent varicose veins - multiple ligation and/or stripping	6	353.80	7
# R842 Extra fascial and sub-fascial incompetent perforators by full			
fascial technique	6	384.75	7
# E653 - plus strippingadd		127.15	
# Z746 Femoral	6	74.25	7
# Z747 Popliteal	6	74.25	7
# Z748 Internal jugular	6	148.60	7
# R839 Internal iliac	6	394.85	10
# R834 I.V.C transabdominal	6	446.50	10

VEINS			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
# R838 I.V.C transvenous (umbrella)	6	303.00	10

VEINS			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
EXCISION			
Resection of AV aneurysm or fistula with or without major graf	ft		
<ul><li># R825 - major aneurysm</li><li># R826 - minor aneurysm</li></ul>	10 10	975.50 497.25	17 10
<b>Payment rules:</b> R825 and R826 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> for revision or repair required for haemodialysis.	of an AV	fistula or gra	ıft
<b>[Commentary:</b> See listings for revision or repair of arterio-venous (AV) fistula or ( page J39 of the Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures section o			s on
REPAIR			
# R820 Lacerated major vein e.g. femoral, popliteal, vena cava, axillary, sub-clavian, brachial or microscopic repair of digital vein	6	396.95	7
# R818 - including patch # R819 - by vein graft	10 10	596.70 793.55	10 10
# R835 S.V.C. bypass graft # R836 Pulmonary embolectomy	7 18	758.40 866.55	17 20
<ul><li># R828 Ilio-femoral thrombectomy <i>with or without</i> femoral vein ligation</li><li># E657 - plus I.V.C. ligationadd</li></ul>	10	446.50 446.50	10
<ul><li># R829 Thrombectomy, other than above</li><li># R865 Distal spleno-renal shunt</li></ul>	7 10	302.80 1259.55	10 10
ANASTOMOSIS			
# R822 Porto-caval	10	919.10	10
Spleno-renal			
# R823 - abdominal approach	10	1117.90	10
<ul><li># R821 - transthoracic approach</li><li># R824 Meso-caval</li></ul>	10 10	1117.90	13 10
	10 6	866.55	10 7
# R827 Creation of A.V. fistula # R841 Obliteration of A.V. fistula	6	490.15 82.55	7 7
# R833 Ligation or removal of by-pass graft		82.55	6

# HAEMATIC AND LYMPHATIC SURGICAL PROCEDURES

SPLEEN AND MARROW			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
# Z404 Splenic puncture and aspiration		100.45	6
# Z403 Bone marrow aspiration and/or core biopsy		101.25	6
<b>Payment rules:</b> If Z404 or Z403 does not result in any material for examination, th <i>payment</i> .	ie service	is <i>not eligil</i>	ole for
Bone marrow transplantation - team fee			
# Z425 - aspiration from donor		506.75	8
# Z426 - infusion into recipient		62.55	6
<b>[Commentary:</b> Bone marrow transplantation is not an insured benefit for treatmer refer to Ministry of Health <i>Medical Consultant</i> for qualifying diagne		conditions	. Please
EXCISION			
# R905 Splenectomy - partial or complete	7	493.90	7
# F702 langragonia or langragonia assisted to P005 add 25%			

- laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to R905. add 25% # E793

### HAEMATIC AND LYMPHATIC SURGICAL PROCEDURES

LYMPH CHANNELS			
LIMPH CHANNELS	Asst	Surg	Anae
ANASTOMOSIS			
# R846 Micro lympho - lympho or lymphovenous	7	691.40	7
INCISION			
# Z410 Drainage of sub-fascial abscess		92.40	6
# Z413 Scalene node fine needle aspiration		31.25	
EXCISION			
Cystic hygroma			
# R907 - unilateral	6	408.65	7
Neck lymph nodes			
# R910 - limited dissection, must include 2 levels (unilateral) or			
central compartment	10	568.70	7
# R915 - comprehensive dissection, must include 3 or more levels,			_
unilateral	10	1120.80	8
# R912 Ileoinguinal, radical resection	6	489.30	8
Axillary or inguinal lymph nodes			
# R913 - radical resection, unilateral	6	367.95	7
# R914 - limited resection, unilateral	6	207.30	6
BIOPSY			
# Z405 Anterior cervical lymph node(s), unilateral	6	186.90	6
# Z411 Axillary or inguinal lymph node(s), unilateral	6	62.95	6
# Z406 Scalene, posterior cervical lymph node(s), unilateral	6	247.75	6
<ul><li># Z578 Multiple para-aortic lymph nodes</li><li># Z427 Sentinel node biopsy, per draining basin</li></ul>	6	93.00 330.45	8
	0	000.40	0
Percutaneous retroperitoneal	0	400.05	0
# Z407 - one group # Z409 - two or more groups	6 6	108.05 162.20	6 6
	0	102.20	0
# R916 Re-exploration of vascular graft and closure of lymph fistula in groin	6	207.30	6
9.0.1	Ŭ	207.00	U U

#### **ORAL CAVITY AND PHARYNX** Surg Anae Asst Note: To include nasopharynx, oropharynx, hypopharynx except where otherwise specified. INCISION # Z506 Drainage of oral abscess or haematoma..... 50.90 6 # Z510 Drainage of pharyngeal abscess or haematoma..... 91.10 6 # Z524 Drainage of haematoma or deep neck abscess (external approach)..... 6 271.05 7 Biopsy..... Z501 35.50 E542 - when performed outside of hospital ..... add 11.55 # Z537 - requiring general anaesthetic 97.05 6 Tongue tie, release of Z111 - simple ..... 15.35 # Z112 - complex or requiring general anaesthetic ..... 50.90 6 # S031 Palatal fenestration 197.55 6 **EXCISION** Lesion Z502 - less than 2 cms ..... 6 71.00 6 - 2 to 4 cms, inclusive ..... S003 6 354.50 6 S006 - over 4 cms..... 6 431.15 7 E542 - when performed outside of hospital ..... add 11.55 S004 Ranula ..... 165.80 6 6 S005 Composite resection of lesion of oral cavity and/or oropharynx with partial resection of mandible ..... 10 1030.70 12 S007 Extended composite resection of lesion of oral cavity and oropharynx with partial resection of mandible and resection of maxilla ..... 10 1059.45 12 # S050 Cryotherapy for treatment of pre-malignant or malignant lesions of oral cavity or sinuses..... 148.60 6 Glossectomy # S018 - partial..... 6 197.45 8 # S020 Glossoplasty ..... 6 197.45 6 6

Ex	traction of tooth (complete care)			
S023	- single		24.90	6
E700			13.40	
# S028	Dentigerous cyst	6	98.80	6
# S900	Basic units for anaesthesia with any unlisted dental surgical procedure performed by dental or oral surgeon (see			
	General Preamble GP92, also Bulletin #4203)			8

ORAL CAVITY AND PHARYNX			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
# S021 Repair of extensive laceration (see General Preamble GP12)	6	I.C	I.C
<b>Note:</b> For minor lacerations - see Skin.			
# S034 Cleft palate repair	6	369.25	8
# S035 Removal of sutures under general anaesthesia		41.25	6
# S032 Bone graft to palate	6	335.65	8

ORAL CAVITY AND PHARYNX	Asst	Surg	Anae
Closure of fistula			
# S030 - anterior alveolar # S033 - palate	6 6	197.45 281.95	6 8
# S036 Uvulopalatopharyngoplasty (includes tonsillectomy)		239.75	6
<ul> <li>Note:</li> <li>S036 Uvulopalatopharyngoplasty is an insured service only under a. For the treatment of obstructive sleep apnea that is unrespairway pressure (CPAP) or intolerant of continuous positive b.the procedure is rendered to correct an identified site of air obstructive sleep apnea.</li> </ul>	onsive to e airway p	continuous pressure (CP	positive AP) and;
<b>[Commentary:</b> Uvulopalatopharyngoplasty is not an insured service when rende snoring.]	ered solel	y for the trea	tment of
# S069 Pharyngoplasty	8	360.45	8
# S002 Excision of parapharyngeal space lesions (with mobilization of parotid gland)	6	907.05	8
# S067 Partial pharyngectomy - transthyroid or lateral	8	1017.20	11
# S068Pharyngo-laryngectomy.# E882- with hemithyroidectomy	8	1155.45 177.40 266.60 374.00	14
Branchial			
# S058- cleft lesion# S059- repeat procedure	6 6	306.85 435.30	7 6
<ul><li># S061 Thyroglossal duct remnant</li><li># S062 - repeat procedure</li></ul>	6 6	340.15 410.40	7 6
<ul> <li># S063 Tonsillectomy and may include adenoidectomy</li> <li># S065 Adenoidectomy</li> <li>E839 - with flexible endoscope, to S063 or S065</li></ul>		178.35 101.25 19.20	6 6
Secondary suture or cauterization following tonsillectomy and/or	adenoid	ectomy	
# S066 - when haemorrhage occurs after initial procedure		121.05	6
# S024 Excision of torus palatinus	6	197.45	6

SALIVARY GLANDS AND DUCTS			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
# Z500 Sialolithotomy		30.65	
# Z521 - requiring general anaesthesia	6	103.60	6
EXCISION			
# S042 Submandibular gland or sublingual gland	6	391.05	7
Parotid gland			
# S043 - total (with preservation of facial nerve)	6	885.75	10
# S044 - total (without preservation of facial nerve)	6	593.00	10
# S045 - subtotal (with preservation of facial nerve)	6	752.10	10
# S047 - repeat subtotal (with preservation of facial nerve)	6	774.50	10
# Z522 Excision small tumour	6	51.25	7
RECONSTRUCTION			
# S049 Plastic repair of duct	6	202.25	7
Z511 Dilation and/or probing of duct		43.15	6
# S057 Submandibular duct relocation	6	360.75	7

LIPS		_	
	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
# Z503 Biopsy		35.40	6
E542 - when performed outside of hospital add		11.55	
EXCISION			
Wedge resection of lip			
# S011 - vermilion	6	98.45	6
# S010 - with plastic repair		275.00	6
Z504 Excision of lesion	6	61.15	6
E542 - when performed outside of hospital add		11.55	
# S012 Lip shave vermilionectomy	6	225.00	6
RECONSTRUCTION			
Cleft lip			
# S013 - unilateral	6	363.30	8
# E501 - with nasal cartilage realignmentadd		304.30	
# S014 Reconstruction with lip switch flap	6	444.40	8
# S015 Complex reconstruction or revision of previous repair and excision (see General Preamble GP12)		I.C	I.C
Note:			
Cleft lip reconstruction (S013, S014, S015) is <i>not eligible for pa</i> M032.	<i>yment</i> with I	M030, M03	1 or

ENDOS	COPIC ULTRASOUND			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
Rad	lial or linear probe through endoscope			
# E800	- to endoscopy fee add		101.50	
# E801	- including biliary and/or pancreatic examination, to			
	endoscopy fee add		152.30	
	ote:			
Th	e amount payable for E800 when rendered in conjunction with	E801 is z	zero.	
Line	ear or radial echo-endoscope			
# S236	- excluding biliary or pancreatic examination (scope also			
	used for therapeutic procedures)	nil	203.05	6
# S237	- including biliary and/or pancreatic examination (scope also			
	used for therapeutic procedures)	nil	253.80	6
# E802	- biopsy or fine needle aspiration, to a maximum of 3, per			
11 2002	lesionadd		50.75	
# E803	- dilation of strictureadd		30.65	
# E804	- injection of one or more of any of the following -			
	metastases, nodes, masses, or celiac plexus add		145.05	
# E805	<ul> <li>drainage of pseudocyst (including stent insertion if</li> </ul>			
	performed) add		203.05	

#### Note:

**1.** The amount payable for S236 when rendered in conjunction with S237 is zero.

**2.** The amount payable for upper and/or lower GI endoscopy rendered in conjunction with S236 or S237 is zero unless the upper and/or lower GI endoscopy is required due to the limited visualization with the linear or radial echo-endoscope.

**OESOPHAGUS** Surg Anae Asst For procedures on the oesophagus, the following basic units for assistants and anaesthesiologists will apply except if a basic fee is listed. # S073 Cervical approach..... 6 7 \_ # S074 Thoracic approach..... 13 10 \_ # S075 Abdominal approach..... 7 8 ENDOSCOPY # Z515 Oesophagoscopy, with or without biopsy(ies)..... 68.25 4 Oesophagoscopy-gastroscopy, with or without duodenoscopy 92.50 # Z399 - elective ..... nil 4 # Z400 - for active bleeding ..... nil 125.10 4 - with dilatation of oesophagus.....add # E696 30.65 # E702 - with multiple (3 or more) biopsies of specific lesion....add 15.10 - with removal of foreign body(ies).....add # E690 43.85 - with brushing of oesophagus, stomach, and/or duodenum # E795 .....add 46.30 - with duodenoscopy and drainage of bile after I.V. CCK # E770 stimulation.....add 23.10 - with laser debulking .....add 69.70 # E692 # E698 - with pneumatic or balloon dilation.....add 69.70 # E703 - with snare polypectomy first polyp (> 1 cm).....add 50.50 - each additional polyp, by snare polypectomy (> 1 cm) (to a # E799 maximum of 2).....add 25.25 - laser palliation of oesophageal tumour, extensive, # E695 complete obstruction (see General Preamble GP12) add I.C - management of uncomplicated upper or lower # E797 gastrointestinal bleeding, by any technique (e.g. laser, injection, diathermy, banding etc.) .....add 46.30 # E798 - management of complicated upper gastrointestinal bleeding by any technique in haemodynamically unstable patients with active bleeding during endoscopy...... add 69.70 - endoscopic placement of stent in duodenum.....add 137.05 # E629

#### [Commentary:

E690 is payable for removal of a foreign body including a stent by oesophagoscopy-gastroscopy-duodenoscopy.]

#### Note:

Z292 rendered in association with oesophagoscopy and oesophagoscopy-gastroscopy services is *not eligible for payment* unless the laryngoscopy service is rendered for suspicion of disease of the larynx. Claims for Z292 in these circumstances are assessed by a *medical consultant* on a manual review basis and require the submission of a written explanation.

#### [Commentary:

Manual review is not required for Z293, Z322 and Z323 rendered in association with oesophagoscopy and oesophagoscopy-gastroscopy services.]

OESOPHAGUS			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
Oesophagostomy			
Cervical			
# S084 - other than neonatal		212.35	
# S085 - neonatal		304.20	
Intrathoracic oesophageal stent			
# S082 - via laparotomy		410.55	7
# S083 - via oesophagoscope (includes Z515)		304.20	6
# S081 Trans-oesophageal division of oesophageal varices		558.05	
# S080 Oesophageal-gastric devascularization (including splenectomy			
and oesophageal division/anastomosis)		898.15	
EXCISION			
# S087 Intrathoracic diverticulum		507.00	
# S086 Cricopharyngeal myotomy, open approach		300.00	
# Z505 Cricopharyngeal myotomy, when rendered by endoscopy, or in association with a surgical procedure during the same			
anaesthetic	6	37.20	6
# S088 Cricopharyngeal diverticulum		390.05	
# S089 Partial oesophageal resection and reconstruction (including		4400 50	47
intestinal transposition)		1180.50	17
<ul><li># S090 Total thoracic oesophageal resectionadd</li><li># E730 - with reconstructionadd</li></ul>		1912.30 740.95	13
# E847 - with reconstruction of diaphragm requiring repair with		740.93	
mesh or equivalent synthetic material, to S089 or S090			
add		75.00	
# E644 - radical mediastinal node dissection following preoperative			
chemotherapy and/or radiotherapy, to S089 or S090 .add		400.00	
<b>Note:</b> <b>1.</b> S086 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> with S088.			
<b>2.</b> Z505 is not eligible for payment with S086.			
# S093 Enucleation of benign oesophageal tumour		584.15	
# E683 - when performed thorascopically, by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), by robotic-assisted surgery, or by			
uniportal approach, to S087, S089, S090, S093			
add 35%.			
REPAIR			
# S161 Oesophageal myotomy, partial (below aortic arch)		584.15	
# E758 - with oesophageal hiatus hernia repairadd		217.35	
# S100 Total thoracic oesophageal myotomy (as sole procedure)		738.90	
# E758 - with oesophageal hiatus hernia repairadd		217.35	
# E683 - when performed thorascopically, by video-assisted			
thoracic surgery (VATS), by robotic-assisted surgery, or by			
uniportal approach, to \$100, \$161 add 35%.			

REPAIR       Storg       Anac         # S091       - abdominal or transthoracic approach with fundal plication.       750.00         # S092       - recurrent	OESOF	PHAGUS	
Oesophageal hiatus hernia         # \$091       - abdominal or transthoracic approach with fundal plication.       750.00         # \$092       - recurrent	DE		Asst Surg Anae
<ul> <li># S091 - abdominal or transthoracic approach with fundal plication. 750.00</li> <li># S092 - recurrent</li></ul>			
Payment rules:         S079 is only eligible for payment for surgical repair of         a. a paraesophageal hernia with >50% intrathoracic herniation of the stomach with the fundus lying above the gastroesophageal junction, or         b. a paraesophageal hernia with herniation of the stomach and any other abdominal organ(s) through the crus.         # E793       - laparoscopic, horacoscopic, or laparoscopic/ thoracoscopic assisted, to S091, S092, or S079	# S091	- abdominal or transthoracic approach with fundal plication.	
S0 <sup>7</sup> 9 is only eligible for payment for surgical repair of         a. a paraesophageal hemia with >50% intrathoracic hemiation of the stomach with the fundus lying above the gastroesophageal junction, or         b. a paraesophageal hemia with hemiation of the stomach and any other abdominal organ(s) through the crus.         # E793       - laparoscopic, thoracoscopic, or laparoscopic/ thoracoscopic assisted, to S091, S092, or S079	# S079	- massive paraesophageal	1200.00
fundus lying above the gastroesophageal junction, or b.a paraesophageal hemia with herniation of the stomach and any other abdominal organ(s) through the crus. # E793 - laparoscopic, thoracoscopic, or laparoscopic/ thoracoscopic assisted, to S091, S092, or S079 		•	
thoracoscopic assisted, to S091, S092, or S079 		fundus lying above the gastroesophageal junction, or <b>b.</b> a paraesophageal hernia with herniation of the stomach and	
<ul> <li># E744 - with gastroplasty, to either S091, S092, or S079 add 115.80</li> <li># E847 - with reconstruction of diaphragm requiring repair with mesh or equivalent synthetic material, to S091, S092, or S079</li></ul>	# E793	thoracoscopic assisted, to S091, S092, or S079	
<ul> <li># E742 - when S091, S092, or S079, with or without gastroplasty, is done in conjunction with cholecystectomy, and/or vagotomy with or without drainage procedures, add E742 to S091, S092, or S079 (with or without E744) for each additional procedure performed. For any other combination of surgical procedures with oesophageal hiatus hernia repair (with the exception of S161 and S100), see Surgical Preamble SP3</li></ul>		<ul> <li>with gastroplasty, to either S091, S092, or S079 add</li> <li>with reconstruction of diaphragm requiring repair with mesh or equivalent synthetic material, to S091, S092, or</li> </ul>	
hiatus hernia repair with or without gastroplasty676.05# S096 Ruptured oesophagus, suture and drainage1200.00# S097 Oesophago-gastrostomy for bypass (as sole procedure)608.30# E683 - when performed thorascopically, by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), by robotic-assisted surgery, or by uniportal approach, to S095, S096, S097 add 35%608.30 <b>Oesophageal bypass, abdomen to neck</b> 912.60# S098 - with stomach	# E742	<ul> <li>when S091, S092, or S079, with or without gastroplasty, is done in conjunction with cholecystectomy, and/or vagotomy with or without drainage procedures, add E742 to S091, S092, or S079 (with or without E744) for each additional procedure performed. For any other combination of surgical procedures with oesophageal hiatus hernia repair (with the exception of S161 and</li> </ul>	
# S097 Oesophago-gastrostomy for bypass (as sole procedure)       608.30         # E683 - when performed thorascopically, by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), by robotic-assisted surgery, or by uniportal approach, to S095, S096, S097 add 35%       608.30         Oesophageal bypass, abdomen to neck       912.60         # S099 - with stomach	# S095		676.05
<ul> <li># E683 - when performed thorascopically, by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), by robotic-assisted surgery, or by uniportal approach, to S095, S096, S097 add 35%</li> <li>Oesophageal bypass, abdomen to neck</li> <li># S098 - with stomach</li></ul>	# S096	Ruptured oesophagus, suture and drainage	1200.00
# S098       - with stomach       912.60         # S099       - with colon or jejunum       1264.05         # E683       - when performed thorascopically, by video-assisted       1264.05         # E683       - when performed thorascopically, by video-assisted surgery, or by uniportal approach, to S098 or S099       add 35%         SUTURE       # S103       Closure of H-type tracheo-oesophageal fistula by cervical or thoracic approach       923.05		<ul> <li>when performed thorascopically, by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), by robotic-assisted surgery, or by</li> </ul>	608.30
<ul> <li># S099 - with colon or jejunum</li></ul>	Oe		
# S103 Closure of H-type tracheo-oesophageal fistula by cervical or thoracic approach	# S099	<ul> <li>with colon or jejunum</li> <li>when performed thorascopically, by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), by robotic-assisted surgery, or by</li> </ul>	
thoracic approach	SU	TURE	
		thoracic approach	

OESOPHAGUS	Asst	Surg Anae
DILATION OF OESOPHAGUS		
Passive (bougie)# Z529- initial session# Z530- repeat session (within three months following previous dilation)		40.55 27.35
Pneumatic		
<ul><li># Z525 - as sole procedure</li><li># Z523 - with rigid dilators guided over a string or wire</li></ul>		110.85 52.90
# Z531 Repeat dilations during the same admission		26.40

STOMACH	Asst	Surg	Anae
ENDOSCOPY		oarg	/ Indo
Gastroscopy			
# Z527 - may include biopsies, photography and removal of polyps			
less than or equal to 1 cm		82.90	4
# Z547 - with removal of foreign body		99.75	4
# Z528 - subsequent (within three months following previous gastroscopy)		67.85	4
<b>Note:</b> Z292 rendered in association with gastroscopy services is <i>not elig</i> laryngoscopy service is rendered for suspicion of disease of the la these circumstances are assessed by a <i>medical consultant</i> on a n require the submission of a written explanation.	arynx. Cl	aims for Z29	92 in
<b>[Commentary:</b> Manual review is not required for Z293, Z322 and Z323 rendered gastroscopy services.]	in assoc	iation with	
# E674 - with snare polypectomy - 1st polyp > 1 cm (maximum 1)		142.40	
# E675 - with snare polypectomy each - additional polyp > 1 cm		172.70	
(maximum 2) add		73.50	
<b>Note:</b> E674, E675 are payable with Z527, Z547 or Z528.			
INCISION			
Gastrotomy			
# S116 - with removal of tumour or foreign body	6	406.85	7
# E731 - with suture of bleeding peptic ulcer add		247.05	
# S117 Pyloromyotomy (Ramstedt's)	6	536.90	10
<b>Payment rules:</b> <b>1.</b> S117 is only eligible for payment for newborns and infants.			
Gastrostomy			
# S118 Gastrostomy	6	467.85	7
# E697 - with repair of Mallory-Weiss laceration add		142.40	
# E707 - when done with another intra-abdominal procedure		70.80	
# Z532 Percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy	6	172.95	7
Z520 Change of gastrostomy tube		10.65	
EXCISION			
Biopsy - incisional			
# Z526 - by gastrostomy		73.60	
# Z533 - by intubation		36.80	

STOM	АСН	Asst	Surg	Anae
GA	STRECTOMY		earg	/ IIIdo
	Wedge resection for ulcer	7	520.00	7
# E708	- with vagotomyadd		122.05	
# E713	- after previous partial gastrectomy add		137.55	
# E793	- laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to S122. add 25%			
Ра	rtial or subtotal			
# S123	- distal	7	840.00	8
# S125	- proximal	7	900.00	8
# E731	- with suture of bleeding peptic ulceradd		247.05	
# E708	- with vagotomy add		122.05	
# E709	- with cholecystectomy add		122.05	
# E711	- after previous gastro-enterostomy add		106.55	
# E706	- with choledochotomy add		122.05	
# E712	- after previous vagotomy and pyloroplasty add		111.10	
# E713	- after previous partial gastrectomy add		137.55	
# E644	<ul> <li>radical mediastinal node dissection following preoperative chemotherapy and/or radiotherapy, to S125 add</li> </ul>		400.00	
			+00.00	
# E847	- with reconstruction of diaphragm requiring repair with		75.00	
# 5702	mesh or equivalent synthetic material, to S125 add		75.00	
# E793	- laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to S123 or S125. add 25%			
_				
	tal gastrectomy	_		
# S128	- with or without splenectomy	7	1235.00	9
# E709	- with cholecystectomy add		122.05	
# E706	- with choledochotomy add		122.05	
# E713	- after previous partial gastrectomy add		137.55	
# E847	<ul> <li>with reconstruction of diaphragm requiring repair with mesh or equivalent synthetic material, to S128 add</li> </ul>		75.00	
# E793	- laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to S128 add 25%		10.00	
# E644	- radical mediastinal node dissection following preoperative			
	chemotherapy and/or radiotherapy, to S128 add		400.00	
# \$120	Conversion of previous gastrectomy to Roux-en-y	7	910.00	9
# 0129	Conversion of previous gastreetoning to Roux-en-y	1	310.00	9

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STOMACH	Asst	Surg	Anae
Vagotomy			
Vagotomy # S131 - truncal or selective	7	375.80	7
# S134 - highly selective (as sole procedure without pyloroplasty or	1	575.00	1
gastroenterostomy)	7	503.10	7
# S121 Transabdominal vagotomy after previous vagotomy	7	416.50	8
Note:			
For suture of duodenal ulcer, refer to S139 on next page.			
# S120 Gastric bypass with Roux-en-Y anastomosis, for morbid obesity	7	1350.00	10
# S115 Reversal of previous vertical banded gastroplasty	7	820.00	10
# S114 Sleeve gastrectomy	7	820.00	10
Note:			
1.S114 Sleeve gastrectomy is only eligible for payment when:			
a.a Roux-en-Y gastric bypass is not possible due to small bo previous surgery; or	wel disea	se/adhesion	s or
b.performed as a planned staged surgery in patients with a E to lose weight.	3MI > 60 t	o enable the	patient
2.S120 is an insured service only when all of the conditions set of are satisfied.	out in the	Surgical Pre	amble
<b>3.</b> S189 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> in conjunction with S120.			
<b>4.</b> S160 is not eligible for payment in conjunction with S120.			
<ol> <li>Mini-gastric bypass (loop gastric bypass) does not constitute g the purpose of S120.</li> </ol>	astric byp	bass or partit	ion for
[Commentary:			
The second stage would be a gastric bypass with Roux-en-Y.]			
# S113 Removal of gastric band	7	300.00	10
Note:		000.00	10
S113 is only eligible for payment when the gastric band requires	removal	due to:	
<b>1.</b> Complications related to the gastric band; or			
<b>2.</b> Conversion to gastric bypass.			
# E793 - laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to S113, S114, S115 or S120add 25%			
[Commentary:			
<ul> <li>1.S120 does not include the service described as adjustable gas or open surgical method. See section 37.1 of Regulation 552 u Act.</li> </ul>		• • •	
2. Morbid obesity refers to patients with a Body Mass Index (BMI	) > 40.]		

STOMACH			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
REPAIR			
<ul> <li># S132 Pyloroplasty</li> <li># S133 Pyloroplasty and vagotomy</li> <li># E731 - with suture of bleeding peptic ulceradd</li> </ul>	7 7	406.85 528.85 247.05	7 7
<ul> <li># S137 Pyloroplasty or gastroenterostomy plus vagotomy and cholecystectomy</li></ul>	7	678.90 247.05 122.05	8
# S134Gastroduodenostomy or gastrojejunostomy# E716- either of above plus vagotomy# E711- after previous gastroenterostomy# E721- with choledochotomy# E793- laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to S134 add 25%	7	406.85 147.30 106.55 122.05	7
SUTURE			
# S138 Closure of gastrostomy or other external fistula of stomach	6	345.85	7
# S139 Gastrorrhaphy (for perforated gastric or duodenal ulcer or wound)	6	672.75	7
# S140 Closure of gastrocolic fistula	7	574.40	7
<b>Note:</b> For suture of duodenal ulcer, refer to S139 above.			

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INTESTINES (EXCEPT RECTUM)		
Ass	t Surg	Anae
ENDOSCOPY		
# Z560 Duodenoscopy (not to be claimed if Z399 and/or Z400	00.40	4
performed on same patient within 3 months)	92.10	4
# Z749 Subsequent procedure (within three months following previous	70 55	4
endoscopic procedure)	72.55	4
# E629 - endoscopic placement of stent in duodenum add	137.05	
# Z584 Small bowel push enteroscopy	185.15	
Note:		
Z292 rendered in association with duodenoscopy and small bowel push	enteroscopy :	services
is not eligible for payment unless the laryngoscopy service is rendered f	or suspicion of	disease
of the larynx. Claims for Z292 in these circumstances are assessed by a	a medical cons	<i>ultant</i> on
a manual review basis and require the submission of a written explanat	ion.	
[Commentary:		
Manual review is not required for Z293, Z322 and Z323 rendered in ass	ociation with	
duodenoscopy and small bowel push enteroscopy services.]		
# Z512 Endoscopy of ileostomy or colostomy, or reduction of	26.90	Λ
obstructed Koch ileostomy	36.80	4
# E747 - to cecum add	31.15	4
# Z514 - with biopsy	44.55	4
SIGMOIDOSCOPY		
# Z580 Sigmoidoscopy (using 60 cm. flexible endoscope) nil	57.70	5
Note:		
<b>1.</b> Z580 is not eligible for payment with Z491, Z492, Z493, Z494, Z495, Z	496 7497 74	98 7499
or Z555 same patient same day.	,,	
<b>2.</b> For sigmoidoscopy with rigid scope, see Z535 (Rectum).		
<b>3.</b> Time units and anaesthesia extra units listed on GP97 are <i>not eligible</i>	for polymost	vith
anaesthesia services for Z580C.	i loi payment v	VILII

4.E003C is not payable for anaesthesia services rendered for Z580.

### COLONOSCOPY

### **Colonoscopy for Risk Evaluation**

# Z497 Confirmatory colonoscopy - sigmoid to descending colon..... nil 51.95 5

### Payment rules:

Z497 is eligible for payment for a colonoscopy rendered for a patient with a positive:

1.faecal occult blood test(s) or faecal immunochemical test(s) (FIT);

**2.**sigmoidoscopy;

3.barium enema; or

**4.**CT abdomen/pelvis or CT colonography examination(s).

INTESTINES (EXCEPT RECTUM)			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
# Z499 Absence of signs or symptoms, family history associated with an increased risk of malignancy (e.g. a first degree relative or at least two second degree relatives with colorectal cancer or a premalignant lesion) – sigmoid to descending			
colon	nil	51.95	5
<b>Payment rules:</b> Z499 is only insured for a patient 40 years of age or older or 10 ye age of diagnosis of the youngest affected relative.	ears young	er than the	earliest
<ul> <li># Z492 Five year follow up of normal colonoscopy (Z499), absence of intervening signs or symptoms - sigmoid to descending</li> <li># Z493 Ten year follow up of normal colonoscopy (Z497, Z555),</li> </ul>	nil	51.95	5
absence of intervening signs or symptoms - sigmoid to descending	nil	51.95	5

### [Commentary:

- **1.**Z492 and Z493 are eligible for payment for a colonoscopy rendered to a patient following a prior normal colonoscopy who has remained asymptomatic.
- **2.**A colonoscopy is considered normal if there were either no polyps or only small (<1 cm) hyperplastic polyps present.
- **3.**An exception to #1 above is a patient with hyperplastic polyposis syndrome who are at increased risk for adenomas and colorectal cancer and need to be identified for more intensive follow-up evaluation. See Z494.
- **4.** A patient with sessile adenomas that may have only been partially removed or adenomatous polyps that are removed piecemeal should be considered for follow-up evaluation at short intervals (2–6 *months*) to verify complete removal. See Z491.]

### Payment rules:

- **1.**Z492 is an *uninsured service* for the same patient in the five year period following Z499.
- **2.**Z493 is an *uninsured service* for the same patient in the ten year period following Z497 and Z555.

INTESTINES (EXCEPT RECTUM)		0	
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Colonoscopy - For diagnosis or ongoing management			
<ul> <li># Z496 Presence of signs or symptoms - sigmoid to descending colon</li> <li># Z494 Hereditary (e.g. Familial adenomatous Polyposis or Hereditary Non-Polyposis Colorectal Cancer) or other bowel disorders (e.g. inflammatory bowel disease) associated with</li> </ul>	nil	51.95	5
increased risk of malignancy	nil	51.95	5
<b>Payment rules:</b> Z494 is eligible for payment when rendered at the age and freque accordance with generally accepted clinical practice guidelines.	ency of fo	llow up in	
# Z498 Follow up of abnormal colonoscopy - sigmoid to descending colon	nil	51.95	5
Payment rules:			
1.Z498 is eligible for payment for a colonoscopy rendered for the previous malignancy(ies) in accordance with current guidelines	6.		with a
<b>2.</b> Z498 is eligible for payment when rendered for follow up of ade			
<b>a.</b> after 5 years if 1-2 small (<1 cm) tubular adenomas with lov		•	
b.after 3 years if polyp(s) removed completely and 3-10 aden (>1 cm), or villous features, or high grade dysplasia, or righ adenoma;			
<b>c.</b> after less than 3 years if > 10 adenomas.			
# Z495 Follow up of unsatisfactory colonoscopy	nil	51.95	5
<b>Payment rules:</b> Z495 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> for a technically unsatisfactory of preparation, failure to intubate the cecum or inability to complete			or
# Z491 Follow up of incomplete polyp resection	nil	51.95	5
Payment rules: 1.Z491 is only eligible for payment for:			
<ul> <li>a.Sessile polyps that were only partially removed; or</li> </ul>			
b.Adenomatous polyps that were removed piecemeal or contained.	ained higł	n grade dysp	lasia.
<ol> <li>Z491 is not eligible for payment if performed more than six mon colonoscopy.</li> </ol>	nths follow	ing the initia	al
# Z555 Absence of signs or symptoms or risk factors, 50 years of age or older - sigmoid to descending colon	nil	51.95	5
<b>Payment rules:</b> Z555 is an <i>uninsured service</i> for the same patient in the 10 year Z555.	period foll	owing the pr	evious
Note:			
<ol> <li>Only one of Z491, Z492, Z493, Z494, Z495, Z496, Z497, Z498, payment per patient per day.</li> </ol>	, Z499 or 2	Z555 is eligil	ole for
2. Time units and anaesthesia extra units listed on GP97 are not anaesthesia services for Z491C, Z492C, Z493C, Z494C, Z495 Z499C or Z555C.	•		
3.E003C is not payable for anaesthesia services rendered for Z4 Z496, Z497, Z498, Z499 or Z555.	91, Z492,	Z493, Z494	, Z495,

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**4.**Colonoscopy to investigate chronic constipation is only insured when:

- **a.**patients are aged 50 years or older;
- **b**.patients have family history associated with an increased risk of malignancy (e.g. a first degree relative or at least two second degree relatives with colorectal cancer or a premalignant lesion); or
- **c.**it is necessary to exclude organic disease for patients with alarm features, such as bleeding, abdominal pain and new onset symptoms.

### [Commentary:

The Choosing Wisely Canada Recommendation to avoid performing colonoscopy for constipation in those under the age of 50 years without family history of colon cancer or alarm features may be found at the following internet link: <u>https://choosingwiselycanada.org/gastroenterology/</u>.]

# E740	- to splenic flexure, to Z491, Z492, Z493, Z494, Z495, Z496,		
	Z497, Z498, Z499 or Z555add	nil	51.75
# E741	- to hepatic flexure, to Z491, Z492, Z493, Z494, Z495, Z496,	nil	31.15
# E747	Z497, Z498, Z499 or Z555add - to cecum, to Z491, Z492, Z493, Z494, Z495, Z496, Z497,	1111	51.15
$\# \Box I = I$	Z498, Z499 or Z555 add	nil	31.15
# E705	- into terminal ileum, to Z491, Z492, Z493, Z494, Z495,		
	Z496, Z497, Z498, Z499 or Z555add		30.30
# E630	- endoscopic placement of stent in colon, to Z491, Z492,		
	Z493, Z494, Z495, Z496, Z497, Z498, Z499 or Z555 add		137.05
# E717	<ul> <li>if biopsy and/or coagulation of angiodysplastic lesion(s)</li> </ul>		
	(one or more), to Z491, Z492, Z493, Z494, Z495, Z496,		
	Z497, Z498, Z499, Z555 or Z580 add		27.05
# E785	- multiple screening biopsies (> 34 sites) for malignant		
	changes in ulcerative colitis, to Z491, Z492, Z493, Z494, Z495, Z496, Z497, Z498, Z499 or Z555 add		54.25
# E797	- management of uncomplicated upper or lower		54.25
	gastrointestinal bleeding, by any technique (e.g. laser,		
	injection, diathermy, banding etc.) to Z496 or Z497 add		46.30
E749	- when Z491, Z492, Z493, Z494, Z495, Z496, Z497, Z498,		
	Z499, Z512, Z555 or Z580 rendered in private office add		22.35
[Co	mmentary:		

E749 is not eligible for payment in a hospital.

### Note:

**1.**E717 rendered in conjunction with E785 is *not eligible for payment*.

2. For sigmoidoscopy with rigid scope, see Z535 (Rectum).

### [Commentary:

For assessments claimed same day as colonoscopy by Internal Medicine (13) or Gastroenterology (41) see A120.]

INTESTINES (EXCEPT RECTUM)			
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# Z513 Hydrostatic - Pneumatic dilatation of colon stricture(s) through colonoscope		107.50	
<ul><li># Z571 Excision of first polyp (3 mm to 5mm)</li><li># E720 - each additional polyp (3 mm - 5 mm) add</li></ul>	nil	150.15 77.50	4
<ul><li># Z518 Excision of first polyp (6 mm to 9 mm)</li><li># E520 - each additional polyp (6 mm to 9 mm) add</li></ul>	nil	150.15 77.50	4
<ul><li># Z517 Excision of first polyp (10 mm to 19 mm)add</li><li># E519 - each additional polyp (10 mm to 19 mmadd</li></ul>	nil	150.15 77.50	4
<ul><li># Z516 Excision of first polyp (20 mm to 29 mm)</li><li># E518 - each additional polyp (20 mm to 29 mm) add</li></ul>	nil	150.15 77.50	4

### Payment rules:

1. Only one of Z571, Z518, Z517 or Z516 is eligible for payment per patient per day.

**2.**A maximum of 2 services of any combination of E720, E520, E519, or E518 are eligible for payment per patient per day.

**3.**Excision of polyps <3mm is not eligible for payment.

### **Claims submission instructions:**

The largest polyp excised should be used to determine the appropriate fee code to claim for the first polyp (Z571, Z518, Z517 or Z516).

### Note:

Z497, Z499, Z492, Z493, Z496, Z494, Z498, Z495, Z491, and Z555 include fulguration, if performed.

	of very large sessile polyp (> 3 cm) through e, and may include fulguration, each	227.65
Excision of obst	ructive tumour or stricture through colonoscopy	
# Z764 - less than 2	cm	69.80
# Z765 - 2 cm or gre	ater	131.75
# E687 - with laser	debulking add	69.80

### INCISION

### Enterotomy

# S149	Ileostomy	6	470.65	7
# S150	Small intestine - including excision of polyps or biopsy	6	406.85	7
# S151 # E737	Insertion of feeding enterostomy - when done with another intra-abdominal procedure add	6	356.50 82.35	7
# S154	Large intestine - including excision of polyps	6	406.85	7
# S155	Colonoscopy with laparotomy	6	387.40	7
# S156	Exteriorization of intestine (Mickulicz)	6	406.85	6
# S157	Colostomy	6	470.65	7
# S158	Cecostomy	6	387.40	7

INTEST	INES (EXCEPT RECTUM)			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
# S160	Entero-enterostomy	6	470.65	7
# E793	- laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to S149 or S157			
EX	CISION			
# E714	- repair of entero-cutaneous fistula in conjunction with bowel resection add		82.35	
	Local excision of lesion of intestine Resection of exteriorized intestine	6 6	528.85 82.35	7 7
Re	section with anastomosis			
S	mall intestine			
# S164	- duodenum	6	1015.15	7
# S165	- other	6	741.45	7
# S166	Small and large intestine terminal ileum, cecum and ascending	_		_
# 0467	colon (right hemicolectomy)	7	899.85	7
# 5167 # E796	Large intestine - any portion - with mobilization of splenic flexure, to S167 add	7	877.95 102.40	7
		•		•
	Total colectomy with ileo-rectal anastomosis Total colectomy with mucosal proctectomy with ileal pouch,	9	1313.65	9
# 3172	ileoanal anastomosis and loop ileostomy	9	2247.70	10
# S171	Left hemicolectomy with anterior resection or proctosigmoidectomy (anastomosis below peritoneal			
	reflection & mobilization of splenic flexure)	7	1128.10	8
# E808	- neo-rectal pouch formation, to S169 or S171 add		150.00	
# E793	- laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to S165, S166, S167, S169, S171 or S172add 25%			
llec	ostomy			
# S168	- subtotal colectomy	7	1260.40	7
# S170	- plus total colectomy plus abdomino-perineal resection	9	2183.65	10
# E793	- laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to S168 or S170 add 25%			
Ţ	wo-surgeon team			
# S173	- abdominal	9	1812.00	10
# S174	- perineal		533.80	
# E738	- with continent ileostomy, to either S168, S169, S170, S173			
	or S174 add		387.40	
E718	<ul> <li>bowel resection following previous resection with anastomosis, or following S217, S213, S214 or S215</li> </ul>			
	anastornosis, or following 5217, 5213, 5214 or 5215 add		142.40	

E718 is not to be added to S181, S182, S185, S191, S192 or S193.

INTESTINES (EXCEPT RECTUM)		0	
# S188 Bowel resection without anastomosis (colostomy and mucous		Surg	Anae
fistula)	6	770.55	6
<ul><li># S189 Intestinal bypass for morbid obesity</li><li># E793 - laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to S189 add 25%</li></ul>	7	951.20	10
Note:			
<b>1.</b> S189 is an insured service only when all of the conditions set are satisfied.	out in the	Surgical Pre	eamble
<ol> <li>Mini-gastric bypass (loop gastric bypass) does not constitute i purpose of S189.</li> </ol>	ntestinal b	oypass for th	ne
Intestinal obstruction (mechanical)			
One stage			
# S175 - without resection	6	712.35	7
# S176 - with entero-enterostomy	6	894.85	7
# S177 - with resection	6	1055.25	7
# S180 - with enterotomy	6	824.80	7
Note:			
If staged procedure, refer to Surgical Preamble SP3.			
# S178 Intestinal atresia (newborn)	6	1512.75	7
# S179 Meconium ileus	6	1512.75	7
REPAIR			
Revision of ileostomy or colostomy			
# S181 - skin level	6	131.75	7
# S182 - full thickness	6	467.90	7
# S192 Simple revision of continent ileostomy pouch	6	387.40	7
# S191 Complete reconstruction of continent ileostomy to include	U	007.10	
valve repair	6	951.20	7
# S193 Revision of standard ileostomy into continent ileostomy pouch	6	793.50	7
# S183 Cecopexy or sigmoidopexy (as sole procedure)	6	314.80	6
SUTURE			
# S184 Suture of intestine	6	314.80	7
# E721 - with choledochotomy add		122.05	
# S185 Closure of colostomy or enterostomy - with or without resection and/or anastomosis	6	504.70	7
# S187 Plication of small intestine for adhesions	6	528.85	7
<b>Note:</b> For division or removal of adhesions only, use S312.			
MANIPULATION			
# Z538 Reduction of prolapse		25.25	6
# Z539 Dilation of gastrostomy, enterostomy, colostomy, etc.		25.25	6

INTEST	INES (EXCEPT RECTUM)			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
Intu	ibation of small intestine (therapeutic or diagnostic)			
# Z540	- with or without fluoroscopy		79.80	
# E732	- with biopsy add	1	29.10	

DIGESTIVE SYSTEM SURGICAL PROCEDURES				
MISCELLANEOUS			_	
	Asst	Surg	Anae	
MECKEL'S DIVERTICULUM				
# S194 Meckel's diverticulum excision	6	356.50	7	
# S159 - with small bowel resection	6	406.85	7	
MESENTERY				
# S195 Local excision of lesion	6	305.05	7	
# S199 Resection of mesentery	6	325.40	6	
APPENDIX				
# S204 Incision and drainage of abscess	6	239.20	7	
# S207 Appendectomy with or without perforation	6	458.60	7	
Payment rules:				
<b>1.</b> S204, S313, S314, Z594 and E686 are <i>not eligible for paymer</i>	nt with S20	7.		
<b>[Commentary:</b> S207 is to be claimed for an appendectomy regardless of wheth ruptured.]	er the appe	endix is inta	ict or	
SMALL INTESTINE				
# S152 Bowel lengthening procedure in a paediatric patient	9	1700.00	10	
[Commentary:	5	1700.00	10	
Examples of a bowel lengthening procedure include serial transv longitudinal intestinal lengthening and tailoring (LILT).]	verse enter	oplasty (ST	EP) or	
Payment rules:				
<ol> <li>S152 is not eligible for payment with any other services description Surgical Procedures/Intestines (Except Rectum) section of the patient, same day.</li> </ol>		•		
<b>2.</b> S152 is limited to one per patient per day.				
TRANSPLANT				
Small bowel transplant				
# S201 - donor	6	964.50	8	
# S202 - recipient	20	2748.75	30	
Multivisceral transplant				
# S196 - donor	6	2748.75	8	
# S197 - recipient, without evisceration	25	7934.35	35	
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### **Payment rules:**

# E807

**1.**S197 must include transplant of the small bowel and liver, *with or without* transplant of the duodenum, stomach, pancreas and large bowel.

2644.75

**2.**S196 must include removal of the small bowel and liver, *with or without* removal of the duodenum, stomach, pancreas and large bowel.

- recipient, with evisceration, to S197 ..... add

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**3.** Surgical fees for transplant procedures represent payment in full for the surgical services required to perform the described procedure. In the event the transplant procedure described by S201/S202/S196/S197 is performed by more than one surgeon, only one surgical service is eligible for payment; the components of the surgical service are not divisible among the physicians for claims purposes.

#### [Commentary:

Where the surgical service is performed by more than one surgeon, the physicians are responsible for apportioning payment amongst themselves.]

DEATUM			
RECTUM	Asst	Surg	Anae
ENDOSCOPY			
Sigmoidoscopy with or without anoscopy			
Z535 - with rigid scope		36.80	4
Z536 - with biopsy(ies)		44.55	4
Z592 - with decompression of volvulus		49.40	4
E746 - when Z535, Z536 or Z592 performed outside hospitaladd		5.85	
# E641 - endoscopic placement of stent in rectum add		137.05	
# E797 - management of uncomplicated upper or lower			
gastrointestinal bleeding, by any technique (e.g. laser,			
injection, diathermy, banding etc.)		46.30	
Note:			
Z535 not to be billed with Z555 or Z580.			
EXCISION			
Proctectomy			
# S213 Anterior resection or proctosigmoidectomy (anastomosis below peritoneal reflection)	8	1204.50	8
# E808 - neo-rectal pouch formation, to S213 add	0	150.00	0
	•		4.0
# S214 Abdomino-perineal resection or pull through	8	1524.20	10
# E793 - laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to S213 or S214			
add 25%			
Two surgeon team			
# S215 - abdominal surgeon	8	1107.50	10
# S216 - perineal surgeon		459.05	
# S217 Hartmann procedure	8	1063.60	9
# S218 Colon reconstruction following Hartmann procedure	8	1086.75	8
# E796 - with mobilization of splenic flexure, to S218 add	0	102.40	U
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		102.40	
# E793 - laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to S215, S217 or			
S218add 25%			
# Z752 Biopsy of rectosigmoid or above for Hirschsprung's disease.	6	82.35	6
# E710 - each additional biopsyadd		45.55	
# S222 Presacral or trans-sacral proctotomy and excision of lesion	6	474.35	7
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RECTU				
		Asst	Surg	Anae
Pol	yps or tumours of rectum or sigmoid *			
# Z753	- electrocoagulation - base under 2 cm		24.25	7
# Z754	- excision - base under 2 cm	6	82.35	6
# Z784	- excision and suture - base 2 to 5 cm, inclusive	6	213.50	6
# Z785	- excision and suture - base over 5 cm	6	582.95	7
# Z755	- electrocoagulation - base 2 to 5 cm, inclusive	6	142.40	6
# Z761	- electrocoagulation - base over 5 cm	6	219.90	7
# E688	- with laser debulking add		69.80	

### Note:

**1.**To a maximum of 2, any size or technique.

2. For fulguration or excision of tumours through the colonoscope, refer to page S19.

RECTU				
REGIC		Asst	Surg	Anae
		A331	ourg	Anac
RE	PAIR			
# S223	Anastomosis of rectum	6	488.20	6
Re	ctal prolapse			
# S225	- excision of mucous membrane	6	239.20	7
# S226	- perineal repair - major	6	356.50	6
# S227	- abdominal approach	6	688.75	8
# S228	- insertion of Thiersh wire	6	190.85	6
SU	TURE			
# S229	Suture of rectum, trauma-external approach	6	355.45	7
Clo	osure of fistula			
# S231	- rectovaginal (any repair)	6	338.55	7
# S525	- rectovesical	6	446.90	7
	NIPULATION			
# Z541	Dilation and/or disimpaction or removal of foreign body under		50.45	0
# 7750	general anaesthetic (as sole procedure)		58.15	6
	Fecal disimpaction - no anaesthetic		36.80	
	lote: be face for evolution, limiting, initiation, of heremonic hereids, and the	1	·	anal
	he fees for excision, ligation, injection of haemorrhoids and trea ondylomata acuminata include anoscopy.	itment of in	tra or peri	anai
Ū	enaylemata doaminata molade anosoopy.			
EN	DOSCOPY			
Z543	Anoscopy (proctoscopy)		8.70	
ING	CISION			
# Z544	Biopsy		34.90	6
Z545	Thrombosed haemorrhoid(s)		25.25	6
E542	- when performed outside hospital add		11.55	-
		6		
	Sphincterotomy(ies) under local anaesthesia Sphincterotomy(ies) under general anaesthesia	6 6	88.20 200.00	6
# 3243		U	200.00	0

RECTUM			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
EXCISION			
<ul> <li># S247 Haemorrhoidectomy, with or without sigmoidoscopy or repair of fissure(s) and/or sphincterotomy and/or anal dilation</li> <li># Z565 Complete haemorrhoidectomy using cryotherapy and/or</li> </ul>	6	260.15	6
Barron ligation(s) including rectal dilation		99.60	6
<ul><li># Z546 Barron ligation(s) (not to exceed 6 in any one year)</li><li># Z566 Barron ligation(s) plus cryotherapy (not to exceed 6 in any one</li></ul>		34.60	
year)	nil	39.10	
# S249 Local excision for malignancy	6	291.05	7
Z757 Excision of benign anal lesion(s)	6	47.15	6
E542 - when performed outside hospital add		11.55	
# S251 Fistula-in-ano	6	213.15	6
<b>Payment rules:</b> S247 and Z565 are only insured when the patient has:			
<b>a.</b> failed a trial of non-surgical therapy; <b>b.</b> Grade III or IV haemorrhoids; or <b>c.</b> haemorrhoids with substantial concomitant skin tags.			
INJECTION			
Z575 Haemorrhoid injections (to a maximum of 6 per year) Z576 Injections for anal fissure		27.05 35.90	6
REPAIR			
# S253 Low imperforate anus repair	7	1224.00	7
# S260 High imperforate anus repair (supra-levator)	7	1801.00	7
# S256 Excision of scar, for stenosis	6	142.40	6
# S257 Anoplasty, for stenosis	6	275.05	6
# S258 Repair of anal sphincter	6	275.05	7
# S259 Repair of anal sphincter and ano-rectal ring	6	356.50	6
DESTRUCTION			
Z548 Cauterization of fissure		34.90	6
Fulguration of condylomata			
Z549 - local anaesthetic		30.95	
# Z758 - general anaesthetic	6	97.65	6
MANIPULATION			
Z550 Dilation of anal sphincter		12.05	6
# S248 Peter Lord procedure		43.60	6

LIVER			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
Biopsy			
# Z554 - incisional # Z551 - needle		102.10 87.80	7
# S268 Insertion of implantable pump for continuous liver perfusion	7	604.95	7
EXCISION			
Hepatectomy			
# S269 - local excision of lesion (less than 5 cm)	7	350.65	7
# S275 - partial lobectomy (excision greater than 5 cm)	8	585.05	8
Formal anatomical resection			
# S270 - one or two liver segments	12	1426.05	12
# S267 - three or four liver segments	12	1652.15	12
<ul><li># S271 - five or more liver segments</li><li># S272 Laparotomy, cholangiogram and biopsy (neonatal jaundice) .</li></ul>	12 6	1938.50 387.40	12 7
# E793 - laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to S267, S269, S270, S271, S272 or S275add 25%	0	307.40	1
Liver transplant			
# E765 - with reconstruction or repair of the hepatic artery (i.e. re- anastomosis or conduit), to liver transplant fee add		300.45	
# S274 Deceased donor, liver removal	6	964.50	8
# S294 Deceased donor, liver transplant	20	2748.75	30
# S295 Repeat liver transplant	30	3776.20	40
# S265 Living donor, hepatectomy	20	4760.60	35
# S266 Living donor, orthotopic liver transplant	25	5289.55	35
<b>Note:</b> Cholecystectomy is <i>not eligible for payment</i> in conjunction with I segments #4 and/or #5, or formal anatomic resection involving li			•

### REPAIR

# S273	Marsupialization and/or decompression of cyst(s) or			
	abscess(es)	7	434.80	7
# E715	<ul> <li>more than three cysts or abscess(es)add</li> </ul>		74.90	

### **BILIARY TRACT**

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#### Note:

Unless otherwise specified, there is no additional fee payable for cholangiogram during abdominal surgery.

### ENDOSCOPY

Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP)		
# Z561 - with cannulation of common bile duct and/or pancreatic duct	213.15	6
# Z558 - including sphincterotomy and may include removal of one or		
more bile duct stones	300.25	6
# Z760 - through gastrojejunostomy following previous Billroth II	251.85	6
# E702 - with multiple (3 or more) biopsies of a specific lesion add	15.10	
# E666 - with biliary tract manometryadd	52.30	
# E662 - with intraductal cytology brushing or intraductal biopsy		
add	49.75	
# E668 - with cannulation of minor papillaadd	93.80	
# E680 - with insertion of first endobiliary prosthesis and/or		
pancreatic stent (maximum 1)	82.35	
# E681 - with insertion of each additional endobiliary prosthesis		
and/or pancreatic stent (maximum 3) add	43.60	
# E669 - with oesophagoscopy-gastroscopy and may include	400 75	
duodenoscopyadd	102.75	
Note:	-0 7700	
E662, E666, E668, E702, E680, E681, E669 are payable with Z561, Z5	58 or 2760.	
# Z593 Nasobiliary catheter insertion	55.25	
INCISION		
# S233 Percutaneous trans-hepatic catheter drainage of obstructed		
bile ducts including daily supervision and including		
percutaneous cholangiogram and catheterization to		
duodenum if achieved	394.25	
# S234 Replacement of catheter in above	64.85	
Biliary duct calculus manipulation and/or removal via T-tube tract		
# Z562 - as sole procedure	116.20	7
# Z542 Intubation of bile duct for obstruction	85.25	

BILIAR	YTRACT		_	
		Asst	Surg	Anae
INC	CISION			
# S278	Cholecystostomy	7	408.05	7
# S276	Choledochotomy (previous cholecystectomy)	7	610.20	8
# S280	Transduodenal sphincterotomy and choledochotomy (previous cholecystectomy)	7	844.65	9
# S281	Choledochoduodenostomy or choledochoenterostomy or choledochocholechostomy	7	721.70	9
# E704	- with choledochoscopy, to S276, S280, S281 or S287 plus E721 add		46.50	
	lote: 281 cannot be claimed with S276.			
# S282	Cholecystogastrostomy	7	447.45	7
	Cholecystoenterostomy	7	447.45	7
# E743	- with entero-enterostomy, to S281 or S283 add		153.05	
# S285	Intrahepatic choledochoenterostomy (anastomosis above the common hepatic duct bifurcation)	9	915.30	12
EX	CISION			
	Cholecystectomy	7	478.00	7
# E721	- with choledochotomy add		122.05	4
# E722 # E728	<ul> <li>with transduodenal sphincterotomy add</li> <li>with truncal or selective vagotomy add</li> </ul>		162.70 167.65	1
# E729	- with highly selective vagotomy add		284.75	
# E794	- with intra-operative cholangiogram, to S287 add		35.85	
# S291	Choledochectomy for tumour*	8	406.85	8
RE	PAIR			
# S292	Common duct stricture, dissection and/or resection*	7	203.40	10
# S293	Biliary duct atresia, infant (see General Preamble GP12)	8	I.C	12
# Z596	Extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy for bile duct calculi		314.20	6
	lote:			

\* For reconstruction, refer to S281.

PANCE	REAS			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
INC	CISION			
Bio	opsy			
# Z762 # Z577	- needle - incisional		102.10 122.05	7
# S297	Drainage of acute pancreatitis or abscess or marsupialization of cyst	7	406.85	7
EX	CISION			
Ра	ncreatectomy			
# S298	Complete with splenectomy	9	1270.20	13
# S300	"Whipple type" procedure	9	2457.35	13
# S301	Local complete excision of tumour or lesion	8	508.55	8
	Distal - body, tail with splenectomy with or without anastomosis Distal - body, tail with preservation of spleen, with or without	9	986.05	11
# E793	anastomosis - Iaparoscopic or Iaparoscopic assisted, to S298, S299, S300, S301 or S309add 25%	9	1250.00	11
# E709	- with cholecystectomy, to S299, S300 or S309 add		122.05	
RE	PAIR			
Pa	ncreatic cyst			
# S305	- gastrostomy	7	589.95	8
# S306	- duodenostomy	8	589.95	8
# S307	- jejunostomy	8	589.95	8
# S304	Lateral pancreatoduodenostomy or anastomosis of filleted pancreatic duct to intestine (Puestow)	9	813.60	10
TR	ANSPLANT			
	Donor pancreas removal	6	679.50	8
	Back-bench pancreas graft preparation Pancreas transplant	20	339.75 2378.30	30

### ABDOMEN, PERITONEUM AND OMENTUM

#### PREAMBLE

- **1.** Unless otherwise specified, when the laparoscope is used as a means of entrance to perform an intra-abdominal procedure, the laparoscopy is *not eligible for payment*.
- **2.** When a diagnostic laparoscopy is performed prior to laparotomy, the initial procedure should be claimed as E860.
- **3.** When an exploratory laparotomy is performed followed by a colostomy through another incision in the abdomen, the colostomy fee should be claimed at 100% and the laparotomy at 85% of the listed fee.

ABDO	IEN, PERITONEUM AND OMENTUM	Apot	Cura	<b>A</b> 1222
		Asst	Surg	Anae
PA	RACENTESIS			
As	piration			
Z590	- for diagnostic sample		31.30	
Z591	- with therapeutic drainage with or without diagnostic sample		57.65	6
E724	- administration of chemotherapy or sclerosing agent . add		23.25	
7763	Paracentesis with lavage for diagnosis		38.70	6
E542	- when performed outside hospital, to Z590, Z591 or Z763		00110	Ū
			11.55	
			10.00	
# Z563	Needle biopsy of peritoneum		48.00	
# Z564	Open lavage of peritoneal cavity for diagnosis without manual			
	exploration of peritoneal cavity		73.60	7
# S312	Laparotomy, with or without biopsy or for Hirschsprung's			
	disease (except biopsies of stomach, liver, pancreas and			_
	multiple para-aortic lymph nodes)	6	485.25	7
	ote:			
1	.S312 - use for division or removal of adhesions, if no other abdo may not be claimed with other intra-abdominal procedures (exc		• • •	mea -
2	.Omentectomy for tumour debulking - professional assessment l	•	,	lth
2	<i>Medical Consultant</i> is available and may be requested.	by the Mil	IISU Y OI HEA	41111
# E745	<ul> <li>insertion of tubes and post-operative continuous peritoneal lavage when combined with any other abdominal</li> </ul>			
	procedure add		94.85	
	•			
	parotomy	e	587.10	6
# S321 # E733	- for acute trauma add	6	587.10 142.40	6
# E733	- multiple and/or with resection add		211.15	
# E735	- with splenectomy (partial or complete) add	4	284.75	
# E736	- with repair of lacerated liver	4	187.90	
# E739	- with repair of diaphragmadd	4	122.05	
# E723	- with repair of lacerated spleen add	4	284.80	
# E693	- with repair of ruptured bladder add	4	-	
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# E694 - with nephrectomy...... add

ABDOMEN, PERITONEUM AND OMENTUM			
ABDOMEN, PERITONEOM AND OMENTOM	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
Peritoneal abscess			
# S313 - subphrenic # S314 - abdominal		370.95 264.45	7 7
<ul> <li># Z569 Pelvic abscess, incision and drainage - rectal or vaginal approach</li> <li># Z594 Percutaneous abdominal abscess drainage including daily</li> </ul>		122.05	7
<ul> <li>supervision, for one or more abscesses within the same abdominal quadrant or the pelvis</li> <li># E686 - within each other abdominal quadrant, or the pelvis (if the initial abscess was not in the pelvis)</li></ul>		331.90 144.10	
Z595 Replacement of drainage catheter in abdominal abscess	4	54.05	
# Z574 Removal of infected sutures from abdominal wall or re- exploration of wound for bleeding - general anaesthetic	6	94.85	7
# S311 Umbilical vein intra-abdominal dissection and catheterization	6	232.50	6
<b>Note:</b> For vascular <i>newborn</i> - see Diagnostic & Therapeutic Procedur	res - Vascul	ar Cannula	ation.
# S320 Insertion of antabuse into abdominal wall		58.15	
Insertion of peritoneo-jugular shunt for ascites			
# S203 - primary # S209 - revision		281.85 208.15	7 7
# S310 Insertion of intraperitoneal chemotherapy port by laparotomy or laparoscopy	6	215.10	6
# S315 Removal of intraperitoneal chemotherapy port by laparotomy or laparoscopy	6	215.10	6
<b>Payment rules:</b> S310 or S315 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> in addition to any op- procedure.	en or laparo	oscopic abo	dominal
EXCISION			
# S316 Excision of full thickness abdominal wall tumour and primary			7

11 0010	Excloser of fair therefold abdominal wair tamour and primary			
	closure (see General Preamble GP12)		I.C	7
# S317	Umbilectomy - plastic	6	111.45	7

ABDOMEN, PERITONEUM AND OMENTUM			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Panniculectomy			
# S318 Panniculectomy, including any necessary diastasis repair	6	500.00	6
<ul><li># E748 - with repair of umbilical hernia, to S318 add</li><li># E809 - excision of pannus that extends beyond the mid thigh, to</li></ul>		122.05	
S318add		250.00	

#### Note:

**1.**Panniculectomy is only insured in those circumstances described in Appendix D of this *Schedule*. Prior authorization of payment from the *MOH* is required.

**2.**S318 is *not eligible for payment* when performed in conjunction with abdominal or pelvic procedures unless the payment requirements for panniculectomy are separately fulfilled.

### [Commentary:

**1.** In circumstances where the proposed panniculectomy surgery *may include* excision of a pannus that extends below the mid thigh, the requesting physician must provide sufficient information with the request for prior authorization of payment.

2. Abdominoplasty is not an insured service.]

# S319	Mesenteric cyst	6	335.15	6
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ABDOMEN, PERITONEUM AND OMENTUM		<u></u>	A
	Asst	Surg	Anae
ENDOSCOPY			
Peritoneoscopy, culdoscopy or laparoscopy	_		_
# Z552 - without biopsy	6	149.65	6
# Z553 - with biopsy and/or lysis of adhesions and/or removal of	c	100.05	c
foreign body and/or cautery of endometrial implants	6	196.65	6
REPAIR			
# S325 Omentopexy - as sole operative procedure	6	305.05	7
HERNIOTOMY			
# E725 - recurrent - all types of hernia, except oesophageal add	4	130.00	
# E725 - Tecurrent - all types of hernia, except besophagear add	4	130.00	
Inguinal and/or femoral			
# S322 - infants	6	487.50	7
# S326 - children	6	412.50	6
# S323 - adolescents and adults	6	357.80	7
Unilateral with exploration of other side			
# S328 - infants and children	6	458.40	7
Strangulated or incarcerated			
# S329 - without resection of bowel	6	425.00	7
# S330 - with resection of bowel	6	660.50	7
# S345 Massive sliding inguinal hernia	6	431.35	7
E726 - repeat recurrent inguinal hernia (more than 2 repairs), to		000.00	
S322, S323, S326, S329 or S330add	4	226.00	
Umbilical			
# S332 - adolescent or adult	6	300.00	6
# S333 - child (operative)	6	222.75	6
# E764 - umbilical hernia repair when done in conjunction with			
other abdominal surgery, to other surgery add		24.20	
# E756 - with resection of strangulated contents add		24.50	
# E757 - without resection of strangulated contents add		55.25	
Payment rules:			
<ol> <li>E764 is only eligible for payment for services related to a pre-ex</li> </ol>	-		
documented in the patient's permanent medical record prior to	the servic	e being pro	ovided.
Ventral or Incisional hernia			
# S340 Hernia fascial defect (diameter < 5 cm) OR any size repaired			
with primary closure	6	370.95	7
# S344 Hernia fascial defect (diameter 5 cm or greater) repaired with	0	010.00	r
mesh closure	6	500.00	7
# E829 - repair of defect (5-10 cm) with component separation, to			
S344add		300.00	

# E827 - repair of defect (> 10 cm) with component separation, to S344......add 600.00

ABDOMEN, PERITONEUM AND OMENTUM			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Omphalocele and gastroschisis			
<ul><li># S348 Primary or first stage repair</li><li># E691 - requiring mobilization of abdominal wall musculature, to</li></ul>	7	1112.35	7
S348 add	_	178.40	_
# S349 Second or subsequent stage repair	7	1408.35	7
Congenital diaphragmatic hernia			
# S346 Primary or first stage repair	9	1300.55	13
# S347 Second or subsequent stage repair	9	472.15	13
<ul> <li># E793 - laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to S344. add 25%</li> <li># E726 - repeat recurrent inguinal hernia (more than 2 repairs), to S322, S323, S326, S329 or S330</li></ul>	4	226.00	
# S342 Epigastric	6	239.20	6
# E727 - hydrocele - extra - applicable to adults only add		65.90	
SUTURE			
# S343 Secondary closure for evisceration - sole operative procedure in abdomen	6	350.00	7

### PREAMBLE - KIDNEY AND UPPER URINARY TRACT

- No additional claim should be made for nephroscopy when done at the time of pyelolithotomy or nephrolithotomy. This does not apply to nephroscopy done in conjunction with codes listed under "Percutaneous - Procedures."
- **2.** In a routine surgical approach to the kidney and related procedures, no additional claim should be made for rib resection carried out for access purposes.
- **3.** When an adrenalectomy is performed in conjunction with a nephrectomy, and is incidental to the removal of the kidney, there should be no additional claim for the adrenalectomy.

KIDNE	Y AND UPPER URINARY TRACT			
# 5750	with report company on bidness at least 20 days often	Asst	Surg	Anae
# E752	<ul> <li>with repeat surgery on kidney at least 30 days after previous kidney surgeryadd</li> </ul>		83.25	
IN	CISION			
# Z601	Renal biopsy, needle		143.55	6
# S401	Drainage of kidney abscess	7	411.30	7
# S402	Drainage of perinephric abscess	7	267.60	7
# S403	Exploration of renal and peri-renal tissues (with or without			
" 5700	biopsy or unroofing of cyst)	7	356.70	7
# E792 # S400	- when performed laparoscopically, to S403 add 25% Laparoscopic placement of probe(s) for ablation of renal			
# 0400	tumour	7	404.95	7
F	Payment rules:			
Т	his service is <i>not eligible for payment</i> in addition to J069.			
# S405	Nephrolithotomy - open	7	482.40	7
# S408	Pyelolithotomy - open	7	437.20	7
# S430	Removal of staghorn calculus filling renal pelvis and calyces - open, with or without x-ray control and/or anatrophic			
	nephrolithotomy	7	657.75	9
EX	CISION			
	Calycectomy with diversion of urine	7	512.00	7
	Partial or heminephrectomy	7	907.00	7
# E792	- when performed laparoscopically, to S411 add 25%	_		_
	Partial or heminephrectomy with total ureterectomy	7	757.85	7
# S412	phrectomy - ectopic kidney	7	467.00	7
# S413	- lumbar	7	467.00	7
# E792	- when performed laparoscopically, to S413 add 25%			
# S415	- transperitoneal	7	522.50	7
# S416	- thoraco-abdominal or radical nephrectomy	9	907.00	13
# E766 # E767	<ul> <li>with gland dissectionadd</li> <li>with repair of vena cava for thrombus - below the hepatic</li> </ul>		29.70	
# =/0/	vein add		138.15	
# E768	- with repair of vena cava for thrombus - above the hepatic			
" 5700	vein add		236.70	
# E792	- when performed laparoscopically, to S416 add 25%			
# S424	Extrophy - plastic closure of bladder with closure of abdominal wall and urethral lengthening with closure of pelvic floor with or without reimplantation of ureters	7	1237.25	10
# S420	·	7	673.10	10
# E792	- when performed laparoscopically, to S420add 25%	I	070.10	10

KIDNEY AND UPPER URINARY TRACT			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
REPAIR			
<ul><li># S422 Pyeloplasty (with or without nephropexy)</li><li># E792 - when performed laparoscopically, to S422 add 25%</li></ul>	7	907.00	7
# E754 - with removal of calculusadd		57.50	
# S428 Symphysiotomy for horseshoe kidney with or without nephropexy and associated procedures	7	494.90	7
SUTURE			
# S429 Ruptured or lacerated kidney - repair or removal	7	437.20	7
EXTRA RENAL PROCEDURES			
# S431 Excision of retroperitoneal tumour	7	381.60	7
# S432 Exploration of retroperitoneal tumour	7	260.85	7
# S433 Sacrococcygeal teratoma	6	437.20	6
# Z630 Extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy		314.20	6

KIDNEY AND UPPER URINARY TRACT			-
	Asst	Surg	Anae
PERCUTANEOUS PROCEDURES		5	
# Z629 Percutaneous nephrostomy		153.35	6
# Z623 Insertion of stent		95.10	
# Z624 Dilatation of tract		105.25	
# Z625 Selective catheterization of calyces (one or more)		52.70	
# Z626 Nephroscopy, percutaneous or retrograde		95.95	6
# Z627 Removal of renal calculi	6	168.25	7
# E759 - if disintegrated by any method, to Z627 add		95.95	
# E772 - percutaneous removal of staghorn calculus filling renal			
pelvis and extending into calyces		175.50	
# Z636 Endoscopic ureterotomy or pyelotomy		273.25	7
<b>[Commentary:</b> Z636 is eligible for payment when rendered by percutaneous or r	etrograde	e route.]	
# Z637 Percutaneous ablation of calyceal diverticulum to include			
dilation of communication with calyx and fulguration		262.75	6
# Z600 Change of nephrostomy tube		44.00	
RENAL TRANSPLANTATION PROCEDURES			
<b>Note:</b> Submit on recipient's claim. These fees do not include immunosu a fee-for-service basis.	ppressive	therapy wh	ich is or
# E762 - reconstruction or repair of renal artery done in addition			
torenal transplantation proceduresadd		301.05	
# S435 Kidney transplant	9	1553.15	13
# E769 - team fee (not to be billed when assistant fees are billed)	Ū		
add		260.05	
# \$424. Kidnov ro trononlant	9	1858.15	13
<ul> <li># S434 Kidney re-transplant</li> <li># E771 - team fee (not to be billed when assistant fees are billed)</li> </ul>	3	1000.10	13
<i>+ ETT</i> - team lee (not to be blied when assistant lees are blied)add		343.40	
		070.70	
# S436 Donor nephrectomy - unilateral or bilateral (to include renal	_		-
perfusion with hypothermia when rendered by surgeon)	7	653.20	8

### Note:

# E753

# E792

For nephrological components - see Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures.

- live donor ...... add

- when performed laparoscopically, to S436 ...... add 25%

- # S437 Renal autotransplantation
   7
   1161.60
   10

   # Z631 Fine needle aspiration of renal transplant
   45.15
   45.15

   ENDOSCOPIC PROCEDURES

   # S470 Cystoscopy with manipulation and/or removal of calculus and retrograde pyelogram if required
   240.65
   6

6

241.20

#### **KIDNEY AND UPPER URINARY TRACT** Asst Surg Anae Note: Z606, Z607, Z611, Z617 and Z628 are not eligible for payment with Z638. Cystoscopy and diagnostic Ureteroscopy - above intramural..... # Z628 125.70 6 # E819 - diagnostic ureteroscopy of second ureter, to Z628 .... add 54.65 # E822 - ureteroscopy to upper third of ureter or renal pelvis, to Z628......add 37.70 # E760 - with removal of calculus...... add 167.85 # E761 - intracorporeal lithotripsy by any method ...... add 95.95 # E820 - with biopsy of one or more sites in ureter and/or pelvis using ureteroscope ..... add 49.75 # E823 - resection and fulgarization of one or more ureteral or renal

233.65

pelvic tumours, to Z628..... add

KIDNEY AND UPPER URINARY TRACT			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
Ureterotomy, abdominal or vaginal exploratory or for drainage	j		
With removal of calculus			
# S445 - upper 2/3	6	376.80	7
# S446 - lower 1/3	6	482.40	7
Where ureter has been previously opened	0	407.00	0
# S447 - upper 2/3 # S448 - lower 1/3	6 6	437.20 522.50	6 7
	0	522.50	1
EXCISION			
Ureterectomy			
# S449 - including ureterovesical junction	6	445.40	7
# S450 - other e.g. partial	6	331.70	7
REPAIR			
# S452 Ureteroileal conduit	6	788.15	9
# S454 - with ureterectomy and ileal replacement	6	893.50	9
# S457 Ureteroureterostomy	6	552.30	8
# E792 - when performed laparoscopically, to S457 add 25%			
Re-implantation	0	400.05	0
# S451 Ureterovesical anastomosis or re-implantation unilateral	6	490.25	8
<b>Note:</b> Not to be billed in addition to S482.			
# S561 Re-implantation of ureter with extensive tapering with or			
without ureterolysis	6	693.45	8
# S562 Re-implantation of bifid ureter	6	539.50	8
# E792 - when performed laparoscopically, to S451, S561 or S562			
add 25%			
# Z638 Endoscopic treatment of vesicoureteral reflux by subureteral			
injection of agent, unilateral or bilateral	6	450.00	6
Note:			
Z606, Z607, Z611, Z617 and Z628 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> w	ith Z638.		
Ureterointestinal anastomosis			
# S455 - unilateral	6	331.70	7
# S462 - bilateral	6	438.35	6
Ureterostomy			
Cutaneous	0	404.00	0
<ul><li># S458 - unilateral</li><li># S463 - with lower third ureterotomy</li></ul>	6 6	494.90 381.60	6 6
# S459 Ureterovaginal fistula	6	557.85	6

KIDNEY AND UPPER URINARY TRACT			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Ureterolysis for periureteral fibrosis			
# S460 - unilateral	6	448.00	6
# E792 - when performed laparoscopically, to S460 add 25%			
Note:			
When a physician submits a claim for performing any insured suppression of the same <i>day</i> as the physician submits a claim for remains included (in addition to the <i>common elements</i> ) as a specific elservice.	dering S46	60, the S460	service
Ureteroplasty (Hutch)			
# S461 - unilateral	6	331.70	6
Bladder flap (Boari)			
# S427 - to include re-implantation of ureter	6	502.45	6
# E792 - when performed laparoscopically, to S427 add 25%			
SUTURE			
Traumatic rupture, or transection (partial or complete) Immediate			
# S465 - upper 2/3	6	381.60	6
# S466 - lower 1/3	6	437.20	6
Late repair	0	407.00	0
# \$467 - upper 2/3	6	437.20	6 7
# S468 - lower 1/3	6	482.40	7

### PREAMBLE - BLADDER AND URETHRA

- 1. No extra claim should be made for EUA when done at the time of cystoscopy.
- 2. Visit fees, as applicable, to be claimed for changing a suprapubic tube.
- 3. No claim should be made for pre-cystoscopy dilatation of the male urethra unless urethral stricture is the primary diagnosis. No claim should be made for dilatation of the female urethra when done at the same time as cystoscopy.
- **4.** "E" prefixed codes are payable in addition to any "S" or "Z" code listed under the "Bladder" subheading or to Z626 or Z628, unless separately noted.

BLADDER	
	Asst Surg Ana
ENDOSCOPY - CYSTOSCOPY	
Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures	
Z606 Diagnostic with or without urethroscopy	
Z607 Repeat within 30 days	
E775 - with catheterization of the ureter and colle	ection of the
ureteral specimen, unilateral	
E817 - with catheterization of the ureter and retro	• •
of opaque media, unilateral	
E776 - with unilateral brush biopsy of renal pelvis	
and/or transurethral biopsy of bladder	
E818 - with insertion of ureteric stent, unilateral	
E777 - with cystometrogram (to include urethral p	•
E780 - with needle biopsy of prostate	
<ul><li>E780 - with needle biopsy of prostate</li><li>E783 - with secondary surgical evacuation of black</li></ul>	
control of haemorrhage	
E784 - with hydrodistention of bladder - general a	
E824 - with bladder biopsy - general anaesthetic.	
E773 - with placement of ureteric stent past obstr	
(unilateral)	-
<ol> <li>Only one of E773 or E818 is eligible for payme</li> <li>Time units and anaesthesia extra units listed or anaesthesia services for Z606C or Z607C.</li> </ol>	
<b>3.</b> E003C is not payable for anaesthesia services	s rendered for 7606 or 7607
E791 - with periurethral injection of bulking agent	
E781 - with electrocoagulation - tumour(s)	
E782 - with electrocoagulation - Hunner ulcer	
E786 - with resection or incision bladder neck, fe	
E787 - with resection or incision bladder neck, ne	
E788 - with ureteral meatotomy, by any means	add 99.70
E789 - with removal foreign body or calculus	add 99.70
E790 - with removal of ureteric catheter	add 8.80
E751 - with insertion of chemotherapeutic agent(	s) add 54.70
Note:	,
E751 is not eligible for payment with Z602, Z603	3 or Z611.
Excision of tumour or tumours including base an if necessary	nd adjacent muscles and electrocoagulatior
Z632 - single tumour 1 to 2 cm diameter	
Z633 - single tumour over 2 cm diameter	
7631 multiple tumours	427.20 6

### Note:

No additional claim for cystoscopy when done at the same time as excision of tumour(s).

BLADD	DER			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
	RODUCTION			
	theterization			
Z602	- office		8.55	
Z603 # Z611	- home		16.25 8.55	
	- hospital		0.00	
	Catheterization is <i>only eligible for payment</i> for acute retention, or suprapubic tube or instillation of medication.	change o	f Foley cath	eter or
	.Z603 or Z611 is only eligible for payment when rendered person.Z611 is not eligible for payment in conjunction with any surgical	•••		).
	Manual catheter declotting and irrigation of bladder Intravesical instillation of BCG or immunotherapeutic agent or		58.65	
_	chemotherapeutic agent for the treatment of bladder cancer		25.65	
	ayment rules: .This service is only eligible for payment when the service, inclue preparation and disposal of the agents, is rendered personally b			on and
2	.Z602, Z603 or Z611 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> in addition to Z6	10.		
-	<b>Commentary:</b> 610 is not payable for indications other than bladder cancer.]			
INC	CISION			
Z605	Aspiration		12.50	
	Cystotomy or cystostomy	6	215.80	6
# Z480 # E750	Cystotomy with trochar and cannula and insertion of tube - when done in conjunction with another procedure add		85.30 26.05	6
# S481 # E792	Cystolithotomy - when sole operative procedureadd 25%	6	260.65	7
# S476	Cutaneous vesicostomy	6	437.20	6
EX	CISION			
Су	stectomy - Partial			
# S482	- partial for tumour or diverticulum (single or multiple)	6	381.60	6
# S483	- with reimplantation of ureter	6	552.30	7
# S490 # E792	<ul> <li>with reimplantation of ureters</li> <li>when performed laparoscopically, to S482, S483 or S490add 25%</li> </ul>	6	733.50	7

### Note:

S482 not to be billed in addition to S451.

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BLAD	DER	Asst	Surg	Anae
•		ASSI	Surg	Anae
-	stectomy - Complete			
# S484	<ul> <li>complete cystectomy, without transplant</li> </ul>	6	791.85	10
# S485	- with ureterointestinal transplant	8	984.65	13
# S453	- with ureteroileal conduit	9	1250.30	15
# S440	- with continent urinary diversion	9	1475.70	15
# E792	- when performed laparoscopically, to S484, S485, S453 or S440 add 25%			
# S438	Retroperitoneal lymph node dissection for bladder cancer, specimen must include obturator, internal iliac and external iliac nodes as a minimum to the level of the iliac bifurcation, bilateral	7	630.00	7
# S441	Creation of continent urinary diversion	9	1013.45	15
# S471	Excision of urachal cyst or sinus with or without umbilical			
	hernia repair	6	296.30	6
# E792	- when performed laparoscopically, to S471 add 25%			
Ex	trophy - excision of bladder and repair of abdominal wall			
# S488	- inclusive of graft	6	215.80	6
# S491	Plastic repair of extrophy using bladder and including skin flaps	6	657.75	6
RE	PAIR			
# S512	Repair of ruptured bladder	6	346.45	6
	Cystoplasty, using intestine	8	692.85	9
	astic repair of bladder neck			
# S518	- child	6	494.90	6
# S519	- adolescent or adult	6	437.20	7
		Ū	107.20	,
DE	STRUCTION			
	Litholapaxy and removal of fragments		215.80	6
# E792	- when performed laparoscopically, to S521add 25%			
SU	TURE			
Clo	osure of fistula			
	External, suprapubic /esicovaginal	6	260.85	7
# S523	- vaginal approach	6	791.85	6
# S524	- transvesical approach (with or without omental flap)	6	544.40	6
# S525	Vesicorectal or vesicosigmoid	6	446.90	7
# E792	- when performed laparoscopically, to S522, S524 or S525			
	add 25%			
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#### Note:

Closure of fistula - see also Operations on the Female Genital System, page V4.

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URETH	IRA	Asst	Surg	Anae
EN	DOSCOPY		ourg	/ 1100
	ethroscopy			
# Z617			35.50	6
# Z617 # Z618	- diagnostic - with biopsy		77.70	6
	Removal of foreign body or calculus		170.65	7
			110.00	
	Biopsy of urethra (without endoscopy)		23.55	6
			20.00	0
# S530	ethrotomy	e	215 00	e
# S530 # S532	- external	6 6	215.80 166.05	6 6
# S532 # S538	- transurethral (visual) - repeat procedure within 6 months by same surgeon	6	95.75	6
	Urethrostomy	6	215.80	6
# Z604	Meatotomy and plastic repair		39.60	6
# Z609	Periurethral abscess		31.60	6
EX	CISION			
# S536	Caruncle	6	118.80	6
	Urethral papilloma, single or multiple		118.80	6
# S541	Diverticulectomy - male or female	6	260.85	7
# S542	Posterior urethral valve	6	331.70	6
	Prolapse urethra	6	118.80	7
	Urethrectomy - radical	6	296.95	6
RE	PAIR			
# S548	Urethral sling	6	381.60	6
# S815	Tension free vaginal tape mid-urethral sling, by any method/			
	approach	6	393.30	6
P	ayment rules:			
	systoscopy (Z606) is <i>not eligible for payment</i> with S815 or S548 endered for suspicion of disease.	unless the	e cystoscop	by is
Re	tropubic urethropexy for stress incontinence			
# S549	- primary procedure	6	391.55	6
# S546	- repeat procedure for failed retropubic or vaginal surgery for			
	stress incontinence	6	496.25	7
# E862	- when performed laparoscopically, to S549 or S546			
E.	add 25%			
	l <b>ote:</b> lee also procedures for stress incontinence in Female Genital S	urgical Pro	ocedures.	
# S539	Insertion of artificial urinary sphincter	6	776.70	6
	Revision or removal of artificial urinary sphincter	6	239.75	7
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URETHRA	Asst	Surg	Anae
Urethroplasty			
First stage			
# S545 - posterior	6	381.60	6
# S550 - anterior	6	293.35	6
# S558 Second stage	6	235.35	6
# S535 One stage repair and may include skin grafting	6	618.25	6
SUTURE			
# S551 Rupture, anterior urethra (diversion of urine extra)	6	170.65	7
# Z612 Endoscopic urethral realignment for urethral trauma	6	250.00	6
Payment rules: Cystoscopy, urethroscopy, retrograde urethrogram or insertion of	guidewire	e/catheter i	s not
<i>eligible for payment</i> with Z612.			
Posterior urethra			
# S552 - immediate repair	6	437.20	7
# S553 - late repair	6	643.35	7
Fistula			
# S554 - penile urethra (diversion of urine extra)		92.10	6
# S555 - perineal urethra	6	325.95	6
# S556 Rectourethral with diversion, colostomy and closure of colostomy	6	552.30	7
DESTRUCTION	•		-
# S557 Urethrovesicolysis - when sole operative procedure	6	215.80	6
# S564 Transurethral incision or resection of external sphincter - when	0	215.00	0
sole operative procedure		325.95	6
MANIPULATION			
Dilatation of stricture			
Z621 - male, local anaesthetic		19.20	
# Z619 - male, general anaesthetic		52.70	6
Dilatation of urethra			
Z622 - female		9.90	
# Z620 - female, general anaesthetic		41.65	6
# Z615 Filiform and follower urethral dilation and may include bladder			
catheterization		59.75	6
Note:			
Z619, Z620, Z621, Z622 payable at nil if claimed with Z615.			

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PENIS			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
Slit of prepuce (complete care)			
# S567 - newborn		61.35	
# S568 - infant		62.45	6
# S569 - adult or child		65.30	6
EXCISION			
Circumcision - for physical symptomatology only			
# S573 - for patients aged one year or older	6	210.80	6
# S577 - for infants less than one year of age	6	188.05	6
Note:			
<ol> <li>Circumcision is an insured service only when medically necess performed for ritual, cultural, religious or cosmetic reasons at a service.</li> </ol>			
2. Circumcision for neonatal phimosis is not an insured service.			
Z702 Biopsy		39.60	6
E542 - when performed outside of hospital add		11.55	
Amputation			
# S574 - partial	6	284.15	7
# S575 - partial with inguinal glands 1 or 2 stages	6	437.20	7
# S576 - radical with inguinal and femoral glands 1 or 2 stages	6	719.30	7
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Condylomata Z701 - local anaesthetic		32.60	
# Z767 - general anaesthetic		32.60 78.60	6
# S599 Excision plaque for Peyronies disease	6	286.20	7
Note:	0	200.20	'
Where grafting is necessary, appropriate skin graft fee is payable	- with S50	a	
		0.	
REPAIR			
Hypospadias or Epispadia			
One stage repair # S578 - with meatus to but not into glans	6	593.80	7
# S576 - with meature to but not into glans	6	614.40	6
# S572 - into glans using island flap pedicle (penoscrotal)	6	872.45	6
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# S579 Chordee repair	6	215.80	6
# S580 Plastic reconstruction, urethra	6	331.70	7
# S581 Closure urethro-cutaneous fistula		296.95	7
# S597 Penile prosthesis for impotence	6	395.90	7
# E755 - with inflatable prosthesisadd		69.30	
# S588 Surgical removal of prosthesis	6	148.45	7
# S566 Revision including removal of prosthesis	6	239.75	7
Z700 Intracorporeal injection for impotence		27.80	
		27.00	

TESTIS	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION		00.9	
# Z703 Abscess		55.15	6
BIOPSY			
# Z704 Single		55.15	7
# Z705 Bilateral		83.35	7
# Z706 - with vasography		120.80	6
Note:			
See also Diagnostic Radiology - GU Tract.			
Orchidectomy			
# S589 - unilateral	6	170.65	7
Radical orchidectomy for malignancy			
# S598 - unilateral	6	337.15	7
# S590 Retroperitoneal lymph node dissecton (RPLND) for testicular			
tumour	6	834.25	8
# E792 - when performed laparoscopically, to S590 add 25%			
REPAIR			
Orchidopexy			
# S591 - for undescended testis, any type, one or two stages to			
include hernia repair where required	6	433.95	7
# S593 Exploration for undescended testicle, without orchidopexy	6	433.95	7
# E792 - when performed laparoscopically, to S591 or S593			
add 25%			
# S600 Reduction of torsion of testis or appendix testis and			
orchidopexy (one or both sides) if required	6	426.25	6
# S595 Ruptured testicle	6	418.55	7
# S596 Insertion of testicular prosthesis	6	197.95	6
Note:			_
Insertion of testicular prosthesis performed at the time of orchide	ctomy is <i>r</i>	not eligible l	or

Insertion of testicular prosthesis performed at the time of orchidectomy is *not eligible for payment*.

### [Commentary:

See Appendix D - Sub-Surface Pathology under Congenital Deformities and Post-Traumatic Deformities.]

EPIDIDYMIS AND TUNICA VAGINALIS			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
EPIDIDYMIS			
# Z707 Incision of abscess		55.15	6
# S601 Spermatocele or spermatic granuloma excision	6	207.85	6
Epididymectomy			
# S602 - unilateral	6	170.65	6
TUNICA VAGINALIS			
Z708 Hydrocele aspiration		19.80	
# S611 Hydrocele excision - unilateral	6	207.85	6
<b>Note:</b> Hydrocele excision rendered with hernia repair is claimed as E72	27.		

SCROTUM			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
Abscess or haematocele			
Z709 - local anaesthetic		39.60	
# Z768 - general anaesthetic		99.00	6
# S616 - and exploration - unilateral	6	99.00	7
EXCISION			
# S618 Resection of scrotum	6	215.80	7

#### SUTURE

#### Note:

For suture of lacerations, refer to the general listings under Integumentary System Surgical Procedures - Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue - Suture of Lacerations. Where suture of lacerations is the sole procedure and is done under *general anaesthesia*, refer to code E530.

VAS DEFERENS	Apot	Sura	<b>A</b> maa
	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
# Z710 Vasography		55.15	6
REPAIR			
Vasovasostomy and/or vasoepididymostomy			
# S623 - unilateral	6	215.80	6
S625 - including biopsy and vasography	6	260.85	6
<b>Note:</b> To include microscopic control if required.			
SUTURE			
Vasectomy			
S626 - uni - or bilateral - by any technique	nil	107.40	6
E545 - when performed outside hospital add		11.55	
<b>Note:</b> Vasectomy reversal is an insured benefit only for treatment of sig requires prior approval. Re-establishing fertility does not constitu	•	•	

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SPERMATIC CORD AND SEMINAL VESICLES			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
SPERMATIC CORD Hydrocele excision			
# S630 - single	6	205.35	6
Varicocele excision # S631 - single	6	205.35	7
<b>Note:</b> S630 when done with hernia repair use E727.			
SEMINAL VESICLES			
# Z711 Incision of abscess		120.80	6
# S636 Vesiculectomy	6	552.30	6

PROSTATE	Asst	Surg	Anae
PREAMBLE	Acot	oung	/ IIIdo
A transure thral resection followed within 10 days by a bilateral orchidect	omv bec:	ause of car	cinoma of
the prostate should be claimed in accordance with paragraph (3) of the			
INCISION			
# Z712 Biopsy, needle	-	85.45	6
# Z713 - with drainage abscess	6	92.10	6
# S644 Biopsy, perineal, open operation	6	215.80	6
EXCISION			
Prostatectomy			
# S645 Perineal	6	574.60	7
# S646 Perineal with vesiculectomy	8	875.00	11
# S647 Suprapubic - with or without removal of bladder stones	6	643.35	6
Retropubic - with or without removal of bladder stones			
# S650 - simple	6	643.35	6
# S651 - radical	6	1008.35	10
# E792 - when performed laparoscopically, to S647, S650 or S651			
<ul> <li>Note:</li> <li>1. Prostatectomy (S645-S651) does not include investigative cyst vasectomy when rendered.</li> <li>2. S651 includes S519 - plastic repair of bladder neck when rend vesiculectomy when rendered.</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li># S652 Staging pelvic lymphadenectomy for prostatic cancer (laparoscopic or open) must include at a minimum bilateral obturator nodes</li></ul>	7	431.20	10
<b>[Commentary:</b> A sampling of nodes does not constitute a complete staging lymp sampling of nodes is performed, either S312 - laparotomy or Z55 be eligible for payment depending on procedure performed.]			
# S653 Laparoscopic radical prostatectomy	8	1411.70	10
ENDOSCOPY			
Transurethral resection of prostate			
# S655 - and may include cystoscopy, meatotomy, dilatation of			
stricture, internal urethrotomy or vasectomy		450.60	7
# S654 - for residual or regrowth of tissue within one year of previous		444.00	0
prostatectomy by same surgeon		411.20	6
# S656 - Transurethral drainage of abscess		85.30	6

NOT ALLOCATED

#### PREAMBLE

- Asst Surg Anae
- In composite operations such as anterior and posterior repair and D&C or anterior and posterior repair and cauterization of cervix and b*iop*sy, the amount payable is equal to the fee for the major procedure(s).
- 2. A D&C is *not eligible for payment* if rendered with hysterectomy or management of ectopic pregnancy (S784) or if rendered routinely with tubal occlusion.
- - **3.** The amount payable for a D&C for pregnancy termination (S752, S756 or S785) is reduced to 85% of the full fee when rendered with tubal occlusion (S741).
  - **4.** Unless otherwise specified, when the laparoscope is used as a means of entrance to perform an intra-abdominal procedure, the laparoscopy is not eligible for additional payment.
  - 5. A diagnostic laparoscopy is eligible for payment as E860 when rendered prior to laparotomy.

VULVA AND INTROITUS	Asst	Surg	Anae
Abscess of vulva, Bartholin or Skene's gland - incision and dr	ainage		
Z714 - local anaesthetic	U	25.40	
E542 - when performed outside hospitaladd		11.55	
# Z715 - general anaesthetic	6	56.70	6
# Z716 Marsupialization of Bartholin's cyst or abscess	6	89.80	6
EXCISION			
Biopsy(ies) - when sole procedure			
Z477 - local anaesthetic		39.60	
E542 - when performed outside hospital add # Z475 - general anaesthetic	6	11.55 56.70	6
	0		-
# S707 Hymenectomy (with or without perineotomy) or hymenotomy		97.20	6
# S706 Cyst of Bartholin's gland	6	129.85	6
Condylomata - single or multiple			
Chemical and/or cryosurgery			
Z733 - one or more		12.00	
Surgical excision or electrodesiccation or CO <sub>2</sub> laser		~~~~~	
Z736 - local anaesthetic # Z769 - general anaesthetic		32.60 124.60	6
		124.00	0
Vulvectomy	_		_
# S703 - simple	6	257.05	6
# S704 - radical - without gland dissection	6	431.45	6
REPAIR			
# S708 Non-obstetrical injury to vulva and/or vagina, and/or perineum (see General Preamble GP12)		I.C	I.C
		_	-
# S701 Repair of infibulation - resulting from female genital mutilation		115.00	6

VAGINA			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
ENDOSCOPY			
Z478 Vaginoscopy (premenarchal) with or without medication		56.70	6
Note:			
Culdoscopy - see Z552 - Abdomen, Peritoneum and Omentum -	Digestive	e System.	
INCISION			
# S712 Culdotomy, drainage or needle puncture		115.00	6
Z728 Incision and drainage of cyst, abscess or haematoma		97.20	6
EXCISION			
Biopsy(ies) - when sole procedure			
Z722 - local anaesthetic		39.60	
E542 - when performed outside of hospital, to Z722 add		11.55	_
# Z723 - general anaesthetic		97.20	6
# S715 Excision of cyst(s), or benign tumour(s)	6	140.45	6
# S742 Colpectomy - e.g. for carcinoma	6	365.55	6
# S702 Excision of congenital vaginal septum	6	159.55	6
REPAIR			
# S716 Anterior or posterior repair	6	250.65	7
Anterior and posterior			
# S717 - repair	6	396.80	7
# S718 - repair of enterocoele and/or vault prolapse	6	432.45	7
Posterior repair and repair of			
# S719 - enterocoele and/or vault prolapse	6	366.55	7
# S723 - anal sphincter	6	305.90	6
Anterior repair			
# S720 - with or without posterior repair and repair of uterine prolapse		400.45	7
(Fothergill or Watkin's interposition) # S721 Anterior, posterior repair with excision of cervical stump	6 6	432.45 432.45	7 7
Post hysterectomy vault prolapse	-		-
# S722 - repair by vaginal approach, may include enterocoele and/or			
anterior and posterior repair	6	432.45	7
# S812 - repeat - repair by vaginal approach, may include	0		7
enterocoele and/or anterior and posterior repair	6	515.05	7
Abdominal approach to vaginal vault prolapse	~	400 /-	6
<ul><li># S760 - vaginal sacropexy</li><li># S813 - repeat - vaginal sacropexy</li></ul>	6 6	432.45 515.05	6 6
	U	515.05	U
# S761 Combined abdominal/vaginal approach for vaginal vault prolapse	7	431.45	7
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VAGIN	Α	Asst	Surg	Anae
# E862	- when performed laparoscopically, to S760, S813 or S761 add 25%		5	
# S724	Perineorrhaphy (not eligible for payment with delivery or other			
	vaginal surgery procedures)	6	127.35	6
# S725	Colpocleisis (LeFort or modification)	6	300.35	7
# S726	Construction of artificial vagina (see General Preamble GP12)	6	I.C	6
CI	osure of fistula			
# S523	Vesicovaginal	6	791.85	6
	Rectovaginal (any repair)	6	338.55	6
	Ureterovaginal	6	560.95	6
	Urethrovaginal	6	374.85	6
Re	etropubic Urethropexy			
# S549	Primary procedure	6	391.55	6
# S546	Repeat procedure for failed retropubic or vaginal surgery for			
	stress incontinence	6	496.25	7
# E862	<ul> <li>when performed laparoscopically, to S549 or S546</li> </ul>			
	add 25%			
# S815	Tension free vaginal tape mid-urethral sling by any method/			
	approach	6	393.30	6
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#### **Payment rules:**

Cystoscopy (Z606) is *not eligible for payment* with S815 unless the cystoscopy is rendered for suspicion of disease.

#### Combined Abdominal-Vaginal Procedure for Stress Incontinence (Sling Procedure)

#### [Commentary:

Combined abdominal vaginal sling procedures are indicated for the management of stress incontinence or genital prolapse, particularly following previous failed anti-incontinence procedures of any kind, or a very large cystocoele. The procedure usually entails entry into the space of Retzius through an abdominal approach (open or laparoscopic) in conjunction with an anterior vaginal dissection (*with or without* cystoscopy) following which the sling material (autologous, synthetic or xenograft) is passed through the perineal membrane, placed under appropriate tension at the bladder neck, and sutured to Cooper's ligament bilaterally.]

#### Payment rules:

- **1.**Anti-prolapse procedures or other anti-incontinence procedures are *not eligible for payment* when rendered with combined abdominal-vaginal procedures for stress incontinence (sling procedures).
- **2.**Cystoscopy (Z606) is *not eligible for payment* with combined abdominal-vaginal procedures for stress incontinence (sling procedures) unless the cystoscopy is rendered for suspicion of disease.

#### [Commentary:

Those procedures listed under the titles "Following one previous failed procedure" or "Following two or more previously failed procedures" are eligible for payment following failure of the appropriate number of any listed procedure.]

VAGINA			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Primary approach			
# S728 One surgeon	7	429.10	7
# E862 - when performed laparoscopically, to S728 add 25%			
Two surgeons			
# S730 - vaginal surgeon	7	330.50	7
# E863 - when performed laparoscopically, to S730 add 25%	7	220 50	
<ul><li>S740 - abdominal surgeon</li><li># E862 - when performed laparoscopically, to S740 add 25%</li></ul>	7	330.50	
Following previous failed procedure	_		_
# S731 One surgeon	7	557.95	7
# E862 - when performed laparoscopically, to S731 add 25%			
Two surgeons # S732 - vaginal surgeon	7	120 65	7
<ul><li># S732 - vaginal surgeon</li><li># E863 - when performed laparoscopically, to S732 add 25%</li></ul>	7	429.65	1
# S733 - abdominal surgeon	7	429.65	
# E862 - when performed laparoscopically, to S733 add 25%			
Following two or more failed procedures			
# S748 One surgeon	7	686.70	7
# E862 - when performed laparoscopically, to S748 add 25%			
Two surgeons			
# S749 - vaginal surgeon	7	528.75	7
# E863 - when performed laparoscopically, to S749 add 25%			
S751 - abdominal surgeon	7	528.75	
# E862 - when performed laparoscopically, to S751 add 25%			
# S811 Rectus abdominus myocutaneous neovaginostomy - includes			
harvest of longitudinal, vertical or transverse rectus abdominus flap(s), formation of vaginal pouch and insertion			
of vaginal mold	8	829.40	8
MANIPULATION	-		2
	movelof		
<b>Examination and/or dilatation (may include insertion and/or re</b> # Z735 - general anaesthetic - as sole procedure		56.70	6
G552 Removal of IUD without GA		20.00	
		20.00	

CERVI	X UTERI			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
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EN	DOSCOPY			
Z731	Initial investigation of abnormal cytology of vulva and/or vagina or cervix under colposcopic technique with or without biopsy(ies) and/or endocervical curetting		53.50	
Z787	Follow-up colposcopy with biopsy(ies) with or without endocervical curetting		53.50	
Z730	Follow up colposcopy without biopsy with or without endocervical curetting		28.35	
Ν	lote:			
1	A screening colposcopy is included in the assessment.			
2	.Z720 is not eligible for payment with Z730, Z731 or Z787.			
CA	UTERIZATION			
UVC	Chemical		visit.fee	
	Cryotherapy		17.30	
	Electro		8.55	-
# Z725	Dilatation and cauterization under general anaesthesia		50.90	6
CC	NIZATION			
# Z766	Loop Electrosurgical Excision Procedure (LEEP)		85.65	
	Cervix - cone biopsy - any technique, with or without D&C Cryoconization, electroconization or CO <sub>2</sub> laser therapy with or	6	190.25	6
	without curettage for premalignant lesion (dysplasia or			
	carcinoma in situ), out-patient procedure		38.35	
EX	CISION			
Z720	Biopsy - with or without fulguration		20.00	6
	Amputation of cervix	6	206.30	6
Ce	rvical stump			
# S766	- abdominal	6	339.80	6
# S767	- vaginal	6	339.80	7
	l <b>ote:</b> Excision of cervical polyp(s) under <i>general anaesthesia</i> , submit u	sing Z720	).	

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	Asst	Surg	Anae
REPAIR			
# S774 Repair of incompetent cervix - not associated with pregnancy	6	142.50	6
ENDOSCOPY			
Hysteroscopy			
# Z582 - diagnostic		111.50	6
# Z583 - with uterine biopsy and/or D&C		133.70	6
# Z585 - with cannulization of tube(s), lysis of intrauterine adhesions		149.60	6
# Z587 - with resection of one or more endometrial polyps, with or without D&C		206.35	6
# Z586 - with lysis of intrauterine adhesions/synechiae requiring a		200.00	0
minimum of 60 minutes of surgical time		368.75	7
<b>[Commentary:</b> Lysis of intrauterine adhesions/synechiae requiring less than 60 m described by Z585.]	ninutes cor	nstitutes the	e service
<b>Note:</b> Only one of Z582, Z583, Z585, Z587 or Z586 is eligible for payme same <i>day</i> .	ent for the s	same patie	nt on the
INCISION OR EXCISION			
# E861 - paracervical block - payable in addition to endometrial			
sampling, ablation or curettage by same physician in an		0.00	
office - unilateral or bilateraladd		9.00	
Z770 Endometrial sampling		37.85	
E542 - when performed outside hospital add		11.55	
# S772 Endometrial ablation by any method		225.90	6
<b>Note:</b> Hysteroscopy (Z582, Z583, Z587) is <i>not eligible for payment</i> whe ablation (S772).	n rendere	d with endo	ometrial
Abortion			
UVC - spontaneous, complete		visit.fee	
# S768 - spontaneous, incomplete - including D&C		113.40	6
# S752 - induced - by any surgical technique up to and including 14			
weeks gestation		112.40	6
# S785 - induced - by any surgical technique after 14 weeks of gestation		189.85	6
<b>Payment rules:</b> S785 is <i>only eligible for payment</i> if the length of gestation is conf	irmed by u	ıltrasound.	
# S756 - missed abortion, or evacuation of molar pregnancy, by any			
surgical technique		120.45	6
# S770 - hysterotomy	6	245.40	7

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		Asst	Surg	Anae
# S783	- hysterotomy with tubal interruption	6	257.05	6
	Diagnostic curettage (with or without cauterization, biopsy of cervix removal of polyps, or hysterosalpingography) Myomectomy	6	97.20 406.90	6 7
INC	CISION OR EXCISION			
Hy	sterectomy - with or without adnexa (unless otherwise spe	cified)		
# S757	- abdominal - total or subtotal	6	643.35	7
# S816	- vaginal	6	643.35	7
# S758 # S759	<ul> <li>with anterior and posterior vaginal repair and including enterocoele and/or vault prolapse repair when rendered</li> <li>with anterior or posterior vaginal repair and including enterocoele and/or vault prolapse repair when rendered</li> </ul>	6 6	733.45 655.05	6 7
# E090 # E862	<ul> <li>removal of one or both ovaries with moderate or severe endometrosis, to S757, S758 or S759</li></ul>		260.80	
# S710	- with omentectomy for malignancy	6	820.40	6
# S763	- radical (Wertheim or Schauta) - includes node dissection .	8	1081.80	8
# S762 # E862	<ul> <li>radical trachelectomy - excluding node dissection</li> <li>when performed laparoscopically, to S710, S763, S762</li> <li></li></ul>	8	801.10	8

#### Note:

S722, S760, S812, S813, S738, S741, S745, S747, S780, S781 and S782 are *not eligible for payment* when rendered with S757, S816, S758, S759, S710, S763 or S762.

#### [Commentary:

Hysterectomy (S757, S816) for benign conditions should only be performed when less invasive treatments have been found to be unsuccessful or are declined by the patient.]

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# S776 Staging pelvic lymphadenectomy for carcinoma (laparoscopic or open)	6	462.30	6
# S781 Staging Para-aortic lymphadenectomy for carcinoma (laparoscopic or open) (not eligible for payment when			
rendered with Z578 and/or S776)	6	431.20	6
REPAIR			
Hysteroplasty			
# S779 - excision of septum	6	349.00	6
# S775 - unification of double uterus (Strassman)	6	431.45	7
# S777 - uterine inversion, operative	6	349.00	6
# S778 Presacral neurectomy (with or without ovarian neurectomy)	6	349.00	6

	CEDUI		
FALLOPIAN TUBE	Asst	Surg	Anae
EXCISION, SUTURE OR REPAIR			
Ectopic pregnancy			
<ul><li># S784 - management by any surgical technique</li></ul>	6	382.10 49.25	7
# E860 - diagnostic laparoscopy prior to laparotomy add		131.45	
# S738 Salpingectomy or salpingo-oophorectomy (uni- or bilateral)	6	366.20	7
# S741 Tubal occlusion/interruption/removal by any method or approach for the purpose of sterilization	6	155.70	6
Tubal plastic operation with/without operating microscope (ur	nilateral o	r bilateral)	
# S735 - fimbriolysis	6	334.35	6
# S736 - salpingostomy	6	359.55	7
<ul> <li># S739 - fimbriolysis and salpingostomy</li> <li># E862 - when performed laparoscopically, to S735, S736 or S739 add 25%</li> </ul>	6	434.55	7
Repair of extensive unilateral or bilateral tubal and peritubal or For infertility, pelvic inflammatory disease or endometriosis with or ureterolysis		laser treatn	nent and
<ul><li># S743 - laparotomy</li><li># E862 - when performed laparoscopically, to S743 add 25%</li></ul>	8	657.00	8
<b>Note:</b> <b>1.</b> Z737 or E854 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> when rendered same any surgeon.	e patient sa	ame <i>day</i> as	S743 by
<ul> <li>2. Reconstruction or repair for infertility following previous sterilization</li> <li>3. S162 is only eligible for payment in addition to S743 when reconstruction intestinal resection was rendered.</li> </ul>			service.
Laparoscopy			
<ul><li># Z552 - without biopsy</li><li># Z553 - with biopsy and/or lysis of adhesions and/or removal of</li></ul>	6	149.65	6
<ul> <li># E855</li> <li># with dye injection</li></ul>	6	196.65 25.85 78.45	6
# Z737 Laser treatment of extensive pelvic disease	6	215.80	7

OVARY			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
EXCISION (UNILATERAL OR BILATERAL)			
# S780 Biopsy of ovaries by laparotomy	6	257.05	7
Oophorectomy			
<ul><li># S745 - and/or oophorocystectomy</li><li># E090 - removal of contralateral ovary with moderate or severe</li></ul>	6	366.20	7
endometriosis, to S745add		260.80	
# S782 - with total omentectomy	6	410.40	6
# S747 Para ovarian cystectomy	6	306.85	7
# S714 Second look exploratory laparotomy including biopsies, when done as part of chemotherapy protocol for ovarian carcinoma with or without total omentectomy	6	431.45	6
# S727 Ovarian debulking, for ovarian carcinoma of stage 2C, 3B, 3C, or 4 and may include hysterectomy, omentectomy, bowel resection, one or more biopsies and/or resection of pelvic			
# E853 - with resection of diaphragm including reconstruction, to S727	8	1081.80 145.00	8
# S750 Radical resection pelvic and para-aortic nodes for cancer	6	797.45	8
Note:	Ũ	101.10	Ū

**1.**Z758, S776 or S781 are *not eligible for payment* when rendered to the same patient same *day* as S750.

**2.** The ovarian excision codes include payment for unilateral or bilateral services except for S745 when the contralateral ovary has moderate or severe endometriosis and E090 can be billed.

3. For Diagnostic and Therapeutic procedures - see gynaecology.

# **ENDOCRINE SURGICAL PROCEDURES**

THYROID GLAND			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
Z726 Aspiration, thyroid cyst		38.00	
# Z727 Percutaneous silicone core needle biopsy		71.30	7
Z771 Aspiration biopsy, thyroid gland or nodule fine needle method		38.00	
# S786 Abscess		82.25	6
EXCISION			
Biopsy			
# S787 - surgical	6	213.15	7
Thuroidactomy			
Thyroidectomy			
# S788 - total	6	777.30	10
# S793 - completion following previous subtotal or hemi-			
thyroidectomy	6	650.00	10
# E880 - parathyroid(s) re-implantation, to S788 or S793 add		184.60	
	6	656.05	10
# S789 - subtotal	6	656.25	10
# S790 - hemi	6	525.15	10

### **ENDOCRINE SURGICAL PROCEDURES**

PARAT	HYROID, THYMUS AND ADRENAL GLANDS	Asst	Surg	Anae
EX	CISION		5	
# S795	Exploration and/or removal, parathyroids or parathyroid tumour	6	605.45	10
# S796 # E880 # E885	<ul> <li>if requiring splitting of sternum</li> <li>parathyroid(s) re-implantationadd</li> <li>transcervical thymectomy performed in association with</li> </ul>	10	687.60 184.60	13
# S792 # E882 # E883 # E884	parathyroidectomyadd Re-exploration of neck for hyperparathyroidismadd - with hemi thyroidectomyadd - with subtotal thyroidectomyadd - with total thyroidectomyadd	6	106.00 685.00 177.40 266.60 374.00	8
# S797 # E683	<ul> <li>Thymectomy</li> <li>when performed thorascopically, by video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS), by robotic-assisted surgery, or by uniportal approach, to S797</li></ul>	10	615.10	13
	renalectomy or exploration			
# S798 # S799	- unilateral - bilateral, with or without oophorectomy	10 10	646.30 1032.70	10 11
Ad	renalectomy			
# S800 # E793	<ul> <li>unilateral for pheochromocytoma</li> <li>laparoscopic or laparoscopic assisted, to S798, S799 or S800add 25%</li> </ul>	10	871.80	13
V	<b>ote:</b> /hen an adrenalectomy is performed in conjunction with a nephr ie removal of the kidney, there should be no additional claim for			ental to

# Z772	Thymus transplant	81.45	6
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CRANI	AL			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
Z811	Intravenous drug test for pain		54.10	6
# E919	<ul> <li>intracranial duroplasty (greater than 2 cm diameter) to any intracranial procedureadd</li> </ul>		254.45	
# E921	<ul> <li>repeat cranial procedure - payable in addition to any intracranial procedure and N111, N114 and N116 but excluding N127 add</li> </ul>		262.15	
BR	AIN			
	aniotomy plus excision			
A	strocytoma, oligodendroglioma, glioblastoma or metastatic tur	nour		
# N103	- supratentorial	15	1686.05	15
# N151	- infratentorial	15	1862.85	15
# N152	Craniotomy plus lobectomy	15	1575.80	15
# E901	- with operating microscope add		234.65	
Ν	leningioma and other tumourous lesions, including pituitary tu	mours		
# N102	- supratentorial	15	1862.85	15
# N153	- infratentorial or basal	15	2529.80	15
# E901	- with operating microscopeadd		234.65	
# E902	- lesion greater than 2 cm diameter, to N102 or N153 add		454.15	
# E903	- team fee for acoustic neuroma, same approach add		614.70	
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#### Note:

Claims for N200 or R380 with N153 rendered for the same patient should be submitted using the manual review indicator and accompanied by supporting documentation.

### **NEUROSURGERY - OPEN SURGICAL APPROACH**

#### Intracranial aneurysm repair

Cr	aniotomy approaches			
# N105	Carotid circulation - per vessel	15	2477.45	20
# N154	Vertebrobasilar circulation, including aneurysm of vein of			
	Galen	15	2477.45	20
# E901	<ul> <li>with operating microscope, to N105 or N154 add</li> </ul>		234.65	
# E898	- lesion greater than 2.5 cm, to N105 or N154 add		283.80	
# E979	<ul> <li>clinoidal drilling for complex aneurysms, to N105 or N154</li> </ul>			
	add		396.70	
# E908	<ul> <li>removal of intracerebral and/or subdural haematoma in</li> </ul>			
	conjunction with a ruptured intracranial aneurysm or			
	arteriovenous malformation, to N105 or N154 add		304.30	
Cer	ebral vascular malformation			
Cr	raniotomy			
# N106	- supratentorial	15	2006.05	20
# N155	- infratentorial	15	2015.00	20
# E895	<ul> <li>of cerebral arteriovenous malformation greater than</li> </ul>			
	4 cm, to N106 or N155 add		373.80	
# E901	- with operating microscope, to N106 or N155 add		234.65	

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	Asst	Surg	Anae
<ul> <li># E908 - removal of intracerebral and/or subdural haematoma in conjunction with a ruptured intracranial aneurysm or arteriovenous malformation, to N106 or N155 add</li> </ul>		304.30	
# N218 Extracranial-intracranial microvascular anastomosis superficial temporal artery	15	1364.05	15
# N156 Occipital arteryadd # E904 - posterior fossaadd	15	1229.55 241.00	15
# N121 Extracranial-intracranial long venous bypass (from internal carotid in the neck or any of the trunk vessels in the neck or chest to a major intracerebral vessel, i.e. vertebral, internal			
carotid, middle cerebral)	15	1711.40	15

CRANIAL			
CRANIAL	Asst	Surg	Anae
Carotid-cavernous fistula			
# N108 Obliteration of intracranial dural arteriovenous fistula (including carotid cavernous fistula) to include craniotomy and combined cervical and intracranial procedure	15	1229.55	15
INTRACRANIAL ENDOVASCULAR SURGERY			
Intracranial aneurysm repair			
Endovascular approaches # N122 Carotid circulation - per vessel	15	2140.15	20
# N125 Vertebrobasilar circulation, including aneurysm of vein of			-
Galenadd # E894 - aneurysm greater than 2.5 cm, to N122 or N125 add	15	2140.15 229.55	20
		229.55	
Cerebral arteriovenous malformation Endovascular approach for obliteration			
# N107 Endovascular approach to include balloon catheter or			
embolization techniques for arteriovenous malformation	15	1456.95	15
Carotid-cavernous fistula			
# N118 Endovascular approach to include balloon catheter or			
embolization techniques for dural arteriovenous fistula including carotid cavernous fistula	15	952.05	15
SPONTANEOUS INTRACEREBRAL HAEMORRHAGE			
Craniotomy plus removal			
# N104 - supratentorial	15	1230.00	15
# N157 - infratentorial	15	1388.40	15
# N120 Burr hole plus drainage	15	481.90	15
INTRACRANIAL CYST			
Craniotomy plus evacuation			. –
# N158 - supratentorial # N159 - infratentorial	15 15	968.50 1065.05	15 15
<b>Note:</b>	15	1003.03	15
N158, N159 to include interventriculostomy.			
# N160 Burr hole plus aspiration	15	426.95	15

CRANIAL			
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INTRACRANIAL ABSCESS			
# N117 Craniotomy	15	1416.50	15
Burr hole			
# N115 - aspiration	7	578.85	7
# Z818 - subsequent aspiration through existing burr hole within 30			
days	7	215.35	7
# Z813 - plus needling of brain for biopsy	7	560.85	7
# N127 Re-opening of craniotomy for post-operative haematoma or for	11	518.85	11
removal of bone flap # N113 Craniotomy for brain biopsy (other than for tumour)	11	1019.15	11
# N130 Craniotomy plus midline commissurotomy	15	1014.85	15
# N109 Hemispherectomy	15	1878.35	15
# N110 Lobectomy and/or excision of cortical scar for epilepsy	15	2184.20	15
# N128 Repair of encephalocoele	15	924.70	15
# N129 Posterior fossa decompression for Arnold Chiari malformation	15	1284.95	15
# E901 - with operating microscope, to N129 add		234.65	
# N126 Intra-oral approach to lesions of the skull base and upper			
cervical spine	15	1442.95	15
# N123 Stereotaxis - intracranial (to include ventriculography)	11	559.60	11
# E931 - with implantation (and removal) of radioactive sources into			
brain tumour add		222.85	
# E896 - sophisticated micro-electrode recording during stereotaxis, to N123 add		400.40	
		400.40	
Functional stereotaxy	<b>.</b>		<b>f</b>
Payable for neuroablative and implantation therapy for treatmen basal ganglia and connections (e.g. Parkinson's disease). Must ir			
application of stereotactic frame, intra-operative imaging, micro-	•		•
recording, ablation of lesion and/or electrode implantation.			
# N124 Functional stereotaxy	9	2040.15	11
Note:			
N123 performed in conjunction with N124 is an insured service p	ayable at	nil.	
# N119 Intracranial implantation of chronic surface electrodes	11	1185.30	11
# Z823 Implantation or revision of stimulation pack or leads (peripheral			
nerve, brain)	8	404.30	8
# Z824 Removal of chronic surface or depth electrodes		266.60	
# Z802 Ventricular puncture through previous burr hole or fontanelle or		0 4 0 5	_
puncture and/or aspiration of cisterna		81.65	7

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	Asst	Surg	Anae
Ventriculoscopy			
# Z825 - to include burr hole		731.20	7
# E916 - with biopsyadd		233.30	
# E917 - with interventriculostomyadd		301.70	
# E918 - with removal of foreign bodyadd		132.80	
# Z820 Insertion of intracranial pressure monitor and/or external			
ventricular drainage	nil	367.95	7
# Z812 Subsequent revisions or replacements within 30 dayseach	6	279.55	7
Payment rules:			

**1.**Z820 is limited to one per patient per day.

CRANIAL	Asst	Surg	Anae
CRANIO-CEREBRAL INJURIES		, <b>.</b>	
UVC Non-operative care		visit. fee	
Reduction of skull fracture			
# N139 - simple, depressed	7	634.90	7
# N140 - compound	11	895.00	11
# E912 - with repair of dural laceration add		233.30	
Extracerebral haematoma and/or hygroma			
# N143 Drainage by burr hole(s) - unilateral	7	647.80	7
# N144 Drainage and/or removal by craniotomy	11	999.30	11
CEREBRAL INJURY			
# N148 Removal of intracerebral haematoma and/or debridement of			
traumatized brain (includes management of any skull fracture)	15	1204.65	15
Note:	15	1204.05	15
N143 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> in addition to N144 or N148 for the procedure.	he same	craniotomy	
# N149 Removal of foreign body from brain	15	968.50	15
# N150 C.S.F. leak - intracranial repair (to include trans-sphenoidal			
approach)	15	1065.45	15
# N200 Decompressive craniectomy (frontal, sub-temporal)	11	738.60	11
Note:			
Claims for N200 with N153 rendered for the same patient should manual review indicator and accompanied by supporting docume		itted using	the
	mation.		
Subdural tap(s)			
# Z803 - unilateral		53.10	
CRANIAL NERVES			
# N258 Percutaneous coagulation or glyceral injection of gasserian		504.05	
(trigeminal) ganglion or root - unilateral	nil	504.95	11
# N259 V - Decompression or rhizotomy (partial or complete) trigeminal nerve	11	671.75	11
0		071.70	
# N265 VII - Differential section facial nerve for hemi-facial spasm (extracranial approach)	6	348.30	6
<ul><li># N266 Anastomosis hypoglossal or accessory to facial nerve</li><li># N267 Occipital and/or suboccipital craniectomy for compression,</li></ul>	6	727.80	6
decompression or section of cranial nerves	11	1280.90	11
# E901 - with operating microscope, to N266 or N267 add		234.65	
# N269 XI - Division of nerves to sternomastoid in neck	6	292.25	7
# Z826 Inferior dental neurectomy	6	184.00	6
# Z827 Infraorbital or supraorbital neurectomy	6	158.45	7

CRANIAL			
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CAROTID AND VERTEBRAL ARTERIES			
# N223 Vertebral endarterectomy	10	798.80	10
# Z815 Temporal artery - biopsy, ligation or cryosurgery		200.00	6
# Z808 Progressive carotid occlusion by Selverstone clamp	10	317.85	10
# Z807 Removal of Selverstone clamp	10	266.60	10
[Commentary:			

For carotid endarterectomy, refer to R792 on page Q13 of the Cardiovascular Surgical Procedures section.]

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CRANIAL			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
CSF SHUNTING PROCEDURES			
# N230 CSF shunting procedures - all types	11	1027.40	11
Revision of CSF shunt			
# N245 - operative - all types	7	585.90	7
# Z801 - non-operative		51.50	
Conversion of shunt (e.g. ventriculoperitoneal to ventriculoat	rial)		
# N174 - includes removal of existing shunt	7	585.90	7
# N246 Removal of shunt - any type	7	289.70	7
# Z809 Insertion of CSF reservoir (Ommaya) including burr holes	11	428.90	11
# N249 Third ventriculostomy	11	1084.25	11
# Z821 Injection of diagnostic or therapeutic agent into shunt			
apparatus		53.10	
SKULL			
Repair of skull defect			
# N161 Acrylic or metal cranioplasty	11	600.85	11
# N201 Rib graft cranioplasty (defect less than 7.5 cm)	15	855.80	15
# N202 Replacement of bone flap	11	540.95	11
# N203 Skull tumour, excision	11	408.30	11
Craniosynostosis, linear craniectomy			
# N206 - one suture	11	430.75	11
# N207 - multiple sutures	15	563.50	15
Morcellation procedure	44	400 75	44
<ul><li># N162 - one suture</li><li># N163 - multiple sutures</li></ul>	11 15	430.75 614.70	11 15
Lateral canthal advancement	10	011.70	10
Unilateral			
# N164 - one surgeon	15	696.35	15
# N165 - two surgeons, major portion	15	430.75	15
# N166 - two surgeons, lesser portion Bilateral		345.35	
# N167 - one surgeon	15	952.55	15
# N168 - two surgeons, major portion	15	614.70	15
# N169 - two surgeons, lesser portion		461.10	
Craniotomy		<b>.</b>	
# N208 - for craniofacial repair	15	918.15 215.25	15
# E922 - with repair of frontonasal encephalocele add		215.35	

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OR	BIT			
Cra	iniotomy			
# N211 # N212	- plus removal of orbital tumour - plus orbital decompression (roof of orbit with or without	15	1116.60	15
	lateral wall)	15	1045.45	15
# N213	- for decompression of optic nerve(s)	15	1116.60	15
# E901	- with operating microscope, to N211 or N213 add		234.65	

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#### Surg Anae Asst BRAIN SKULL BASE SURGERY – SURGICAL ACCESS - ENDONASAL APPROACH Surgeon not rendering resection of lesion(s) # N112 Endonasal endoscopic or microscopic approach for surgical access to sella turcica - includes when rendered middle turbinate reductions, maxillary antrostomies, ethmoidotomies, ethmoidectomies, sphenoidotomies, septotomy, septoplasty and septal mucosal flap(s) harvest associated with septotomy or sphenoidal mucosal flap(s). nil 1360.00 nil Surgeon rendering resection of lesion(s) andonanal ando

E905	<ul> <li>endonasal endoscopic or microscopic approach for surgical access to sella turcica - includes when rendered middle turbinate reductions, maxillary antrostomies, ethmoidotomies, ethmoidectomies, sphenoidotomies, septotomy, septoplasty and septal mucosal flap(s) harvest associated with septotomy or sphenoidal mucosal flap(s),</li> </ul>	
E886	to N111, N114 or N116	750.00 800.00

#### Payment rules:

No services from the Respiratory Surgical Procedures or Integumentary System Surgical Procedures sections of this *Schedule* are eligible for payment with N111, N112, N114 or N116.

### SKULL BASE SURGERY – RESECTION OF LESION(S) - ENDONASAL APPROACH

#### Pituitary lesion(s)

# N111	Transsphenoidal microscopic resection of lesion(s) originating in the sella turcica requiring simple closure, repair and/or reconstruction of surgical defect(s)	1879.00	20
# N114	Transsphenoidal endonasal endoscopic resection of lesion(s) originating in the sella turcica requiring simple closure, repair and/or reconstruction of surgical defect(s)	1742.45	20
E887		11 12.10	20
	hypothalamus, to N111 or N114add	500.00	
No	on-pituitary lesion(s)		
# N116	Endonasal endoscopic resection of non-pituitary lesion(s) not originating from pituitary tissue requiring simple closure, repair and/or reconstruction of surgical defect(s)	2243.45	20
E888	Resection of non-pituitary lesion(s) involving the sellar region that extends to the optic nerve(s), optic chiasm or		
	hypothalamus, to N116add	500.00	

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### Complex endonasal endoscopic resection of pituitary and non-pituitary lesion(s)

E889	<ul> <li>complex endonasal endoscopic resection from cranial</li> </ul>	
	nerves, to N114 or N116add	520.00
E890	- complex endonasal endoscopic resection from cavernous	
	sinuses, to N114 or N116add	520.00
E891	<ul> <li>complex endonasal endoscopic resection from frontal or</li> </ul>	
	temporal lobe or brainstem, to N114 or N116 add	520.00

### Payment rules:

**1.**E889, E890 and E891 are *only eligible for payment* to a physician who has completed a fellowship in skull base surgery or who has equivalent experience.

2.E889, E890 and E891 are only eligible for payment when rendered with E887 or E888.

**3.**Harvesting and/or use of any autologous materials (e.g. bone, fascia, dermis, muscle) is *not eligible for payment* with N111, N112, N114 or N116.

### [Commentary:

Examples of non-pituitary lesions include meningioma, craniopharyngioma, chordoma.]

# SKULL BASE SURGERY – COMPLEX CLOSURE, REPAIR AND/OR RECONSTRUCTION OF DEFECT(S)

E892	<ul> <li>harvesting of pedicled vascular flap(s) greater than 3cm in size for use in complex endoscopic closure, repair and/or reconstruction of surgical defect(s) to N111, N112, N114 or</li> </ul>	
	N116 add	500.00
E893	<ul> <li>complex closure, repair and/or reconstruction of surgical defect(s) - includes duroplasty when rendered to N111,</li> </ul>	
	N112, N114 or N116 add	555.00

### Note:

A complex closure, repair and/or reconstruction is defined as surgical closure, repair and/or reconstruction:

a.for a lesion extending beyond the sella turcica; and

b.is necessary for repair of CSF leak(s); and

c.requires the use of pedicled vascular flap(s) greater than 3 cm in size.

### Payment rules:

- 1.N111, N114 and N116 requires simple closure, reconstruction and/or repair of surgical defect(s) and includes the harvesting and use of any autogenous materials and/or pedicled flap(s) less than 3 cm in size. E892 and E893 are *not eligible for payment* for simple closure, reconstruction and/or repair.
- **2.**E919 is eligible for payment, if rendered, when performed as part of a simple closure, reconstruction and/or repair. E919 is *not eligible for payment* with E893.

### [Commentary:

E892 and E893 may only be claimed when a complex closure, repair and/or reconstruction is required, as defined in the note above.]

PERIPHERAL NERVES Anae Surg Asst # E906 - to basic fee for neurolvsis, nerve tumour excision, nerve suture, nerve transfer, or nerve graft when using operating microscope.....add 40% - to basic fee for a repeat peripheral nerve procedure, (i.e., # E925 any N-prefix surgical fee code in the Peripheral Nerves section), or when acute nerve injury repair by suture, transfer or graft is delayed for more than 4 weeks..... Exploration, decompression, division, excision, biopsy, neurolysis and/or transposition # N188 - minor nerve - including digital, cutaneous or lateral femoral cutaneous nerve..... 6 153.70 7 # N285 - major nerve - excluding carpal tunnel or ulnar nerve at elbow..... 7 256.15 7 # N283 Decompression, exploration for thoracic outlet syndrome including excision of cervical and/or first rib and to include scalenotomy ..... 7 389.05 7 # N282 Brachial plexus (excluding thoracic outlet syndrome or cervical rib)..... 6 1000.00 6 # N290 Carpal tunnel release..... 6 156.75 6 # N190 Exploration and/or decompression and/or neurolysis of ulnar nerve (elbow)..... 7 215.35 7 # N189 Ulnar nerve transposition at elbow - may include exploration, decompression and/or neurolysis..... 7 279.25 7 # N177 Sciatic nerve in buttock..... 7 430.75 7 # N184 Decompression of posterior tibial or common peroneal nerve 6 165.20 7 7 # N286 Tumour or neuroma - major nerve ..... 317.85 7 # N295 Excision of Morton's or subcutaneous neuroma, glomus or small cutaneous nerve tumour ..... 6 109.95 6 - implantation of neuroma into bone or muscle, to N286 or # E911 N295 ..... add 40% Nerve suture 7 # N289 - minor - (sensory/cutaneous nerve)..... 250.00 7 - major - (mixed sensory and motor nerve, or pure motor # N287 7 nerve)..... 500.00 7 Nerve transfer # N293 - minor – (sensory/cutaneous nerve)..... 6 363.90 6 - major - (mixed sensory and motor nerve, or pure motor # N291 nerve)..... 6 727.80 6

#### [Commentary:

See Ocular and Aural Surgical Procedures for Facial nerve decompression, grafting fee codes and Neurological Surgical Procedures – Cranial for Facial nerve transfer fee codes]

PERIPHI	ERAL NERVES			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
Nerv	ve graft			
# N183	- minor - (sensory/cutaneous nerve)	6	471.05	6
# N288	- major - (mixed sensory and motor nerve, or pure motor			
	nerve)	6	927.55	6
# E899	- for each additional cable, to N288add		102.45	

#### Payment rules:

- **1.**N188 or N285 when performed through the same incision as flexor tendon repairs R585 or E581 is an insured service payable at nil.
- **2.**N289, N287, N293, N291, N183 and/or N288 include exploration, decompression, division, excision, and/or neurolysis of the nerve(s) involved, if performed.
- **3.**N293 or N291 are *only eligible for payment* for coaptation of one or more donor nerve fascicles to a recipient nerve.
- 4. Nerve graft fees include harvesting of the nerve(s) required for grafting.
- **5.**Peripheral nerve fees codes include any guidance, nerve stimulation, or nerve mapping if performed.

### Implantable peripheral nerve stimulators

# Z816	Implantation of electrode for peripheral nerve stimulation	6	241.00	6
# Z823	Implantation or revision of stimulation pack or leads,			
	(peripheral nerve, brain)	8	404.30	8

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### **OCULAR AND AURAL SURGICAL PROCEDURES**

EYEBALL	Asst	Surg	Anae
EXAMINATION			
# Z850 - when sole procedure or with unlisted minor procedures with general anaesthesia		200.00	6
E982 - when service is rendered to newborn, infant or child (ages 0 to 15 inclusive), to Z850 add 30%			
EXCISION			
# E108 Enucleation, donor eye, post-mortem (one or both)		131.25	
REPAIR			
# E104 Removal of intraocular foreign body	6	542.00	6
# E105 Non-magnetic - posterior segment	6	424.35	6
Penetrating wound			
# E106 - with prolapse of intraocular tissue	6	640.00	7
# E107 - without prolapse of intraocular tissue	6	496.00	7

### **OCULAR AND AURAL SURGICAL PROCEDURES**

CORNEA		
Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION		
# Z851 Therapeutic paracentesis	70.00	6
# E175 - therapeutic paracentesis done in conjunction with E186, E187 or E149add	20.00	
<ul> <li># Z844 Diagnostic Paracentesis for: 1) suspected intraocular infection;</li> <li>2) intraocular inflammation / uveitis; or 3) suspected cancer involving the intraocular structures or fluids</li> </ul>	100.00	6
Payment rules:	7044	
<b>1.</b> Z851 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> for same patient same day as E175 or <b>2.</b> Z851 and Z844 are not eligible for payment for same patient same day		97 or
<ol> <li>Z851 and Z844 are not eligible for payment for same patient same day E149.</li> </ol>	as E100, E10	57, OI
3.Z844 is only eligible for payment if the sample obtained through parace or more of the following:	entesis is sent	for one
a.culture		
<b>b</b> .cellular analysis		
<b>c.</b> molecular analysis		
CORNEAL CROSS-LINKING		
Corneal Cross Linking (CXL) is eligible for payment if the patient has one medical indications:	e of the followi	ng
<b>a.</b> Mild to moderate progressive keratoconus;		
<b>b.</b> Corneal thinning or ectasia following laser photorefractive or photothe	rapeutic surge	ery;
<b>c.</b> Pellucid marginal corneal degeneration; and		
d. Recurrent keratoconus after corneal transplantation.		
E202 Corneal cross-linking	200.00	
<b>Payment rules:</b> E202 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> for the same patient and performed on the same performed on	he same day a	as E117.
Removal embedded foreign body		
- local anaesthetic		
Z847 - one foreign body	33.00	
<ul><li>Z848 - two foreign bodies</li><li>Z845 - three or more foreign bodies (see General Preamble</li></ul>	45.00	
GP12)	I.C	
# Z852 - general anaesthetic	74.20	6
Chelation of band keratopathy with EDTA		
Z849 - local anaesthetic	153.80	
# Z863 - general anaesthetic	150.00	6
# E128 Anterior chamber - open evacuation of clot	496.00	6

CORNEA			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
EXCISION			
Pterygium			
# E206 - simple (unilateral)		175.00	6
# E205 - with partial keratectomy	6	355.00	6
# E207 - with lamellar graft	6	453.00	6
# E937 - with autogenous conjunctival transplant add		100.00	
# E948 - with mucous membrane graft add		113.20	
# E117 Keratectomy or relaxing incisions post penetrating			
keratoplasty or post traumatic corneal scar (non cosmetic)	6	308.30	6
Excision of dermoid			
# E118 - with partial keratectomy		308.30	6
# E119 - with lamellar graft	6	542.00	6
Ulcer cautery			
Including laser and/or electrocautery, epithelial debridement, cryo or corneal puncture	otherapy, o	corneal b <i>iop</i>	sy and/
Z871 - local anaesthetic		26.60	
# Z853 - general anaesthetic		74.20	6
REPLACEMENT			
Corneal transplant			
# E121 - penetrating	6	740.00	7
# E951 - with artificial prosthesisadd		52.40	
# E122 - lamellar	6	590.00	7
# E124 Limbal stem cell transplant	6	740.00	8
<b>Payment rules:</b> E117 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> with E124.			
# E123 Division of iris to cornea		161.75	6

SCLERA, IRIS AND CILIARY BODY	Asst	Surg	Anae
SCLERA		00.9	
# E127 Sclerotomy, posterior		166.45	4
IRIS AND CILIARY BODY			
# E131 Laser iridotomy	6	161.75	6
# E134 Laser angle surgery		205.55	7
# E130 Iridectomy - surgical - when sole procedure	6	308.30	6
<ul> <li># E132 Glaucoma filtering procedures</li> <li># E983 - following previous glaucoma filtering procedure, to E132</li> <li></li></ul>	6	550.00	6
# E136 - with intraocular implant of seton, to E132 add		290.00	
# E214 Glaucoma filtering procedure and cataract extraction (same eye)	6	729.00	6
<ul><li># E950 - insertion of intraocular lens, to E214 add</li><li># E984 - following previous glaucoma filtering procedure, to E214</li></ul>		92.50	
# E136 - with intraocular implant of seton, to E214 add		137.50 290.00	
# E212 Bleb repair with conjunctival pull-down	6	210.00	6
# E213 Bleb repair with conjunctival, scleral or mucous membrane graft	6	262.50	6
# E133 Extraocular glaucoma procedures	6	182.75	6
# E135 Ciliary body re-attachment	6	505.45	7
<ul><li># E156 Intraocular suturing of iris/pupillary defect</li><li># E157 Placement and suturing of iris prosthetic device with or without</li></ul>	6	350.00	7
suturing of iris/pupillary defect Payment rules:	6	550.00	7
f = ay ment rules.			

**1.**E950 is *not eligible for payment* in conjunction with E156 or E157.

**2.**E156 is *not eligible for payment* for repair of iris tears resulting from cataract extraction.

CRYSTALLINE LENS			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
# E137 Needling (discission) - primary or subsequent	6	161.75	5
# E139 Capsulotomy	6	161.75	5
EXCISION			
Cataract			
To include retrobulbar injection when administered by surgeon			
# E140 - all types of, by any procedure, includes insertion of		007 75	-
intraocular lens # E141 - dislocated lens extraction	6	397.75 505.45	5 5
# E141 - dislocated lens extractionadd	0	92.50	5
		52.00	
# E143 Excision of secondary membrane with corneal section following cataract extraction	6	450.00	5
	0	430.00	5
# E138 Fixation of intraocular lens and/or capsular tension device by	6	450.00	5
suturing	-		-
# E144 Removal of intraocular lens	6	450.00	5
# E145 Repositioning surgical of dislocated intraocular lens		350.00	5
# E146 Insertion of secondary intraocular lens	6	400.00	5
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#### Payment rules:

- **1.**Time units and anaesthesia extra units listed on GP97 are *not eligible for payment* with anaesthesia services for E137C, E138C, E139C, E140C, E141C, E143C, E144C, E145C or E146C.
- **2.**E003C is not payable for anaesthesia services rendered for E137, E138, E139, E140, E141, E143, E144, E145 or E146.

#### [Commentary:

**1.**Refer to E023C on GP100 for anaesthesia services other than procedural sedation rendered in support of E137, E138, E139, E140, E141, E143, E144, E145 and E146.

**2.**Local infiltration or topical anaesthesia used as an anaesthetic for any procedure is *not eligible for payment.*]

VITREO	US	Asst	Surg	Anae
Ant	erior vitrectomy			
# E940	<ul> <li>when done in conjunction with another intraocular procedureadd</li> </ul>		105.00	
# E148 # E938	Vitrectomy by infusion suction cutter techniqueadd - with transscleral retinal suturingadd	6	720.00 213.20	7
	Intravitreal injection of medication for the treatment of wet macular degeneration, left eye Intravitreal injection of medication for the treatment of wet	nil	90.00	5
# E149	macular degeneration, right eye Vitreous injection or aspiration, posterior with needle for culture and/or injection of medication, other than for macular	nil	90.00	5
# E175	degenerationadd - therapeutic paracentesis, to E186, E187, or E149add	nil	90.00 20.00	5
# E142	Preretinal membrane peeling or segmentation to include posterior vitrectomy and coagulation	6	830.00	6
	ayment rules:			

**1.**E186 and E187 are each limited to 12 per patient per 12-month period. Services in excess of this limit are *only eligible for payment* in exceptional circumstances where warranted by clinical conditions. Physicians must document the appropriate clinical indications for services in excess of the limit on the patient's permanent medical record.

- **2.** Time units and anaesthesia extra units listed on GP97 are *not eligible for payment* with anaesthesia services for E186C, E187C, or E149C.
- **3.**E003C is not payable for anaesthesia services rendered for E186, E187, or E149.
- **4.** If paracentesis is performed through the same site as E186, E187, or E149, E175 is *not eligible for payment.*

### [Commentary:

- 1. Current research supports "treat and extend" injection protocols with most studies supporting that an average of approximately 8 injections per year will control disease. Patients should only receive more than 8 injections per year in the presence of clinical and diagnostic evidence of disease instability.
- **2.**Refer to E023C on GP100 for anaesthesia services other than procedural sedation rendered in support of E186, E187, or E149.
- **3.**Local infiltration or topical anaesthesia used as an anaesthetic for any procedure is *not eligible for payment*.]

### Vitreous exchange (air, gas or artificial vitreous substance)

# E936	- to vitrectomy	add	90.00
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<b>RETINA AND EXTRA OCULAR</b>	MUSCIES			
RETINA AND EXTRA OCOLAR	MUSCELS	Asst	Surg	Anae
			<b>9</b> 00 9	
RETINA				
# E151 Re-attachment of retina a photocoagulation or c	and choroid by diathermy, ryopexy as an initial procedure	6	282.65	6
	ling procedure - with or without julation or cryopexy, primary or	6	700.00	7
detachment in the san	owing unsuccessful operation or fresh ne eye by a different surgeon with or ptocoagulation or cryopexy	6	840.00	7
# E161 Removal of scleral impla	nt		250.00	6
# E154 Photocoagulation (xenor	ı, argon laser, etc.) - one eye		182.75	6
	nopathy of Prematurity – one eye nopathy of Prematurity – both eyes.		750.00 1245.00	6 6
# E155 Cryopexy - extraocular o	r sub-conjunctival - one eye		205.00	6
REPAIR				
Strabismus procedures				
# E185 - horizontal or vertical re	ectus muscle (per muscle)	6	525.15	6
# E184 - inferior oblique muscle	e (per muscle)	6	543.65	6
# E183 - superior oblique musc	le (per muscle)	6	600.00	6
# E182 - Transposition of extra	ocular muscle to treat paretic or lost,			
<b>č</b> ,		6	600.00	6
,	add		180.00	
	ocedure(s), to E185, E184, E183, or add 30%			

### Payment rules:

A maximum of 4 of any combination of E182, E183, E184, E185 are eligible for payment per patient per day.

ORBIT			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
# E164 Drainage of abscess		350.00	7
EXCISION			
# E102 Enucleation, with or without primary implant	6	542.00	7
<ul><li># E103 Evisceration, with or without primary implant</li><li># E109 Enucleation/evisceration with insertion of implant and</li></ul>	6	542.00	7
reattachment of extraocular muscles	6	677.50	7
Note:			
E102 or E103 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> with E109.			
# E171 Exenteration	6	1005.00	6
# E941 - with major plastic repairadd		296.90	
# E181 Secondary orbital implant	6	640.00	6
Tumour or foreign body			
# E166 - anterior route	6	450.00	6
# E167 - posterior exposure	6	640.00	7
# E172 Biopsy (anterior)		200.00	6
# E168 Biopsy (posterior exposure)		308.30	6
# E165 Lateral orbitotomy (Kronlein)	6	590.00	7
Decompression			
# E169 - two walls	6	542.00	6
# E170 - three walls	6	575.85	6
RECONSTRUCTION			
Dermis fat graft			
# E160 - immediately following enucleation		190.30	
# E163 - delayed	6	514.80	7
# E176 Fornix reconstruction		325.00	7
# E177 - with mucous membrane graft		321.60	6
# E937 - with autogenous conjunctival transplant add		100.00	
Free mucous membrane graft			
# E178 - full thickness		222.65	7
# E179 - split thickness		296.90	6
# E180 Alloplastic volume replacement		411.20	7
Note: Penair for E173 and E174 see Skull and Mandible Musculosk	olotol Curr	tom	

Repair - for E173 and E174 see Skull and Mandible - Musculoskeletal System.

EYELIDS	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION		0	
Drainage of abscess			
Z854 - local anaesthetic # Z855 - general anaesthetic		60.00 225.00	6
EXCISION			
Chalazion			
Single or multiple		70.00	
Z874 - local anaesthetic E542 - when performed outside hospitaladd		70.00 11.55	
# Z856 - general anaesthetic		150.00	6
Note:			
See Appendix D Surface Pathology.			
<b>Epilation</b> Z857 - by hyfrecator, electrolysis		26.60	6
Z858 - by cryopexy		65.70	6
Note:			
Verruca, keratosis, etc see Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue - I	ntegumenta	ry System	also Lid
Tumours or Unlisted Plastic Procedures.			
SUTURE			
# E190 Tarsorrhaphy		150.00	6
# E191 Double adhesion		161.75	7
REPAIR			
# E192 Ptosis	6	313.15	6
# E193 - repeat or second repair	6	393.00	6
# E194 Distichiasis - unilateral	6	289.00	6
# E195 Trichiasis, repair by tarsal transplantation	6	241.70	7
# E196 Entropion, other than Zeigler puncture	6	290.00	6
<ul><li># E945 - repeat by second surgeonadd</li><li># E948 - with mucous membrane graftadd</li></ul>		52.40 113.20	
-	G	310.00	6
<ul><li># E197 Ectropion, other than Zeigler punctureadd</li><li># E945 - repeat by second surgeonadd</li></ul>	6	52.40	6
Z860 Zeigler punctures (for entropion/ectropion)		26.60	6
Note:			
With skin graft - see Plastic Surgery Procedures - Integumentar	y System.	005 00	2
<ul><li># E199 Laceration, full thickness</li><li># E198 - including lid margin</li></ul>		225.00 300.00	6 7
		000.00	1
# E221 Laceration of eyelid including levator palpebrae superioris with ptosis	6	329.30	7
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EYELID	S			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
Ble	pharoplasty			
# E200 # E201	<ul> <li>excision of skin, with or without partial excision of the orbicularis oculi muscle - one lid</li> <li>same as E200 plus removal of orbital fat and/or major lid</li> </ul>		82.80	6
# L201	fold reconstruction - one lid	6	205.55	7
В	<b>ote:</b> lepharoplasty is only insured in those circumstances described oproval of the Ministry of Health is required.	in the App	oendix D - p	rior
# E211 # E953	Lid lengthening procedureadd	6	288.35 80.90	6
# E222 # E942 # E943	Primary closure of full thickness lid defectadd - with cantholysisadd - with releasing rotation flap including cantholysisadd	6	290.00 53.20 89.45	6
# E223 # E224	Tarsoconjunctival flap and skin graft (Hughes) - second stage	6	484.35 108.45	7 7
# E225 # E226	Lower or upper eyelid bridge flap - second stage	6	484.35 108.45	6 6
# E227 # E944	Temporal rotation flapadd - with free posterior lamellar graftadd	6	514.80 175.15	6
# E228	Free tarsal, scleral or cartilage graft with local skin mobilization	6	535.80	7
	Free composite eyelid graft Medial canthoplasty (skin and muscle)	6 6	535.80 257.90	7 6
Me	dial canthal tendon			
# E231	- tendon repair only	6	267.35	7
# E232 # E233	<ul> <li>fixation to boneadd</li> <li>when done in conjunction with another procedure add</li> </ul>	6	412.05 153.25	6
Lat	eral canthal surgery			
	Canthotomy		51.45	
	<b>ote:</b> ot to be claimed with E140 or E141.			
# E977	<ul> <li>if excision is performed in hospital for tumour free margin with frozen section, to excision or repair fees add 25%</li> </ul>			
	ote: 077 is noveble only in addition to codes 5200, 5000, 5005, 500		-000 -000	or <b>C</b> 200
	977 is payable only in addition to codes E222, E223, E225, E22 Cantholysis - when primary procedure	0, EZZ7, I	=228, E229 107.50	6 E300.
	Lateral canthopexy		255.00	6
# E930	- when done in conjunction with another procedure add		102.35	2
UVC	Removal of foreign body		visit.fee	

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	Asst Surg	Anae
EXCISION		
# E208 Peritomy (Gunderson conjunctival flap)	225.00	6
Z861 Biopsy	26.60	6
REPAIR		
# E210 Excision of conjunctival lesion	100.00	6
# E948 - with mucous membrane graftadd	113.20	
E937 - with autogenous conjunctival transplant add	100.00	

LACRIMAL TRACT	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
# Z862 Dacryocystotomy - general anaesthetic # Z917 Three "Snip" punctum procedure - per punctum - maximum		52.40	6
4 per patienteach		65.70	6
EXCISION			
# E215 Dacryocystectomy	6	496.00	6
REPAIR			
Lacerated canaliculus			
# E216 - immediate repair	6	350.00	6
# E217 - delayed repair	6	411.20	6
# E218 Dacryocystorhinostomy	6	542.00	6
# E939 - repeat procedure by second surgeon add		150.00	
# E954 - with lacrimal bypass procedure (e.g. Lester Jones) or			
canalicular reconstructionadd		80.90	
Lacrimal bypass procedure (e.g. Lester Jones)			
# E219 - when sole procedure (both stages)		250.00	6
MANIPULATION		07.00	
Z901 Irrigation of nasolacrimal system - unilateral or bilateral		27.00	
Probing and dilation of duct, initial or repeat			
Local anaesthetic		07.00	
Z902 - unilateral General anaesthetic		27.00	
# Z864 - unilateral or bilateral		200.00	6
# Z865 - with insertion of inlying tube or filament		250.00	6
Z918 Re-insertion of Lester Jones tube		52.40	

EXTERNAL EAR		
PREAMBLE	Surg	Anae
When debridement of ears under microscopy is carried out for access purposes be made for the debridement.	s only, no claim	should
ENDOSCOPY Removal of foreign body Z915 - simple	10.55	
Z866 - complicated, general anaesthetic	50.90	6
# E302 - requiring post auricular or endaural incisions	202.35	6
# E303 - from middle ear space	202.35	6
<b>Note:</b> Z915 claimed solely for removal of cerumen is payable at nil.		
Removal of drainage tube(s)		
# Z906 - under general anaesthetic, unilateral	66.50	6
<b>Note:</b> For contralateral procedure, Z906 is payable at 85% of the listed fee.		
INCISION		
Z909 Biopsy, ear canal	25.85	
# Z846 - general anaesthetic (if sole procedure performed)	50.90	6
Incision and drainage of extensive haematoma of pinna with packing compression dressing	g of ear and ex	ternal
<ul><li># E317 - general anaesthetic</li><li># E318 - local anaesthetic</li></ul>	139.95 92.40	6
# E305 - Limited incision for perichondritis, removal of cartilage and drainage	155.30	6
# E306 Radical surgery for perichondritis	291.50	7

EXTERNAL EAR			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
EXCISION			
Local excision, polyp			
Z904 - office # Z905 - hospital		25.85 50.90	6
Resection of pinna			
<ul> <li># E300 - with primary closure</li> <li># E977 - if excision is performed in hospital for tumour free margin with frozen section, to excision or repair fees, to E300</li></ul>		248.05	6
# E301 - with local flap		355.35	6
Exostosis			
<ul> <li># E311 - endomeatal surgery and removal and drilling out of exostosis</li> <li># E312 - with multiple removal with necessary grafting</li> </ul>		243.35 355.40	7 7
# E313 - post auricular approach		362.55	6
# Z903 Pre-auricular sinus # E309 - general anaesthetic		62.95 208.05	6
REPAIR			
Congenital defects External			
# E307 - minor # E308 - major	6 6	219.60 345.15	6 7
# E310 Otoplasty for correction of outstanding ears - unilateral	6	247.35	7
# E304 Reconstruction of total ear with cartilage graft (e.g. Brent Technique), first stage	6	619.35	6
<ul> <li>Note:</li> <li>1.E304, E307, E308 - Descriptive details of procedure (e.g. open submitted with claims for professional assessment (see Surgional asses))))))))))))))))))))))))))))))))))</li></ul>	al Preambl	é, paragra	ph 17).
<b>2.</b> E310 - for patients 18 years of age or older, please see Appen			
<ul> <li># E314 Meatoplasty or canalplasty for congenital malformation</li> <li># E955 - with grafting of canal</li></ul>	6	297.25 202.35	7
mastoidectomy add		399.90	2

MIDDLE EAR		
Asst	Surg	Anae
DEBRIDEMENT		
Under microscopy, debridement of mastoid cavities, and/or ears with signi middle ear pathology but not for removal of cerumen.	ficant externa	al or
Z907 - unilateral	27.40	
<ul> <li># Z908 - under general anaesthetic, with or without repair of small perforation - when sole ear procedure(s) performed - unilateral</li> </ul>	50.90	6
Note:		
<ol> <li>Debridement not performed under microscopy (e.g. if performed using lo headlights) or in the absence of significant external or middle ear patholo cerumen does not constitute Z907 or Z908.</li> </ol>		
<ul> <li>2.G420 is not eligible for payment in conjunction with Z906, Z907, Z908 or</li> <li>3.For contralateral procedures, Z907 and Z908 are payable at 85% of the</li> </ul>		
INCISION		
# Z912 Myringotomy, to include aspiration when indicated - unilateral	42.15	6
# Z914 - with insertion of ventilation tube using operating microscope - unilateral	78.60	6
# Z916 Intratympanic injection, with or without myringotomy - unilateral		_
	75.90	6
[Commentary:		

Z912 is *not eligible for payment* when rendered in conjunction with the service described by Z916.]

#### Note:

Z912 or Z914 performed on an otherwise healthy *child* is *only eligible for payment* for the treatment of symptomatic chronic otitis media with effusion that has persisted beyond 3 months or recurrent episodes of acute otitis media with effusion.

#### **EXCISION**

#### Mastoidectomy

# E320 Cortical mastoidectomy	6	345.15	10
# E322 Modified or radical mastoidectomy	6	627.10	10
# E315 Revision mastoidectomy with revision of middle ear	6	674.00	10
# E946 - with mastoid cavity obliteration E315, E320 or E322. add		106.45	
# E959 - with meatoplasty and/or canalplasty add		106.45	
# E960 - with ossiculoplasty E315, E320 or E322add		103.80	
# E985 - with tympanoplasty, to E315, E320 or E322 add		106.45	
# E319 Atticotomy	6	345.30	6
REPAIR			
# E323 Myringoplasty		209.05	6
Z913 Repair of small perforation under local anaesthesia, with or		20.00	
without debridement, unilateral		39.00	

### MIDDLE EAR

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**1.**Z913 is *not eligible for payment* with Z908 or E323.

**2.**For contralateral procedure, Z913 is payable at 85% of the listed fee.

### Tympanoplasty

# E325       Facial nerve decompression       6       642.45       10         # E326       Facial nerve grafting (to include decompression)       6       987.65       10         # E327       Closure of mastoid fistula       6       252.15       10         # E328       Tympanotomy       288.50       10         # E981       - with removal of middle ear tumour       add       132.35         # E329       Tympanic neurectomy       370.10       10	# E336 # E337	Type 1 (myringoplasty with exploration of middle ear) - with ossiculoplasty		345.15 468.85	7 10
# E325       Facial nerve decompression       6       642.45       10         # E326       Facial nerve grafting (to include decompression)       6       987.65       10         # E327       Closure of mastoid fistula       6       252.15       10         # E328       Tympanotomy       288.50       10         # E981       - with removal of middle ear tumour       add       132.35         # E329       Tympanic neurectomy       370.10       10		-			
# E326       Facial nerve grafting (to include decompression)       6       987.65       10         # E327       Closure of mastoid fistula       6       252.15       10         # E328       Tympanotomy       288.50       10         # E981       - with removal of middle ear tumour       add       132.35         # E329       Tympanic neurectomy       370.10       10	# E333	Ossiculoplasty	6	406.55	10
# E327 Closure of mastoid fistula       6       252.15       10         # E328 Tympanotomy       288.50       10         # E981 - with removal of middle ear tumour       add       132.35         # E329 Tympanic neurectomy       370.10       10	# E325	Facial nerve decompression	6	642.45	10
# E328 Tympanotomy       288.50       10         # E981       - with removal of middle ear tumour       add       132.35         # E329 Tympanic neurectomy       370.10       10	# E326	Facial nerve grafting (to include decompression)	6	987.65	10
# E981- with removal of middle ear tumouradd132.35# E329Tympanic neurectomy370.1010	# E327	Closure of mastoid fistula	6	252.15	10
# E981         - with removal of middle ear tumouradd         132.35           # E329         Tympanic neurectomy         370.10         10	# E328	Tympanotomy		288.50	10
				132.35	
	# E329	Tympanic neurectomy		370.10	10
				395.05	10

Surg Anae

Asst

INNER EAR			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
INCISION			
# E332 Labyrinthotomy or labyrinthectomy (including Fick procedure)		548.45	10
REPAIR			
# E335 Stapedectomy with prosthesis		637.15	10
# E331 Revision stapedectomy		673.65	6
# E321 Posterior/superior canal occlusion	6	612.70	8
# E339 Endolymphatic shunt or sac decompression	6	661.55	10
# E345 Temporal bone resection	10	1379.10	15
Permanent Cochlear Prosthesis Insertion			
# E341 Intra-cochlear	7	737.30	9
Bone Conduction Hearing Aid Insertion			
# E346 - implantable, including necessary mastoidectomy	6	345.15	7

NOT ALLOCATED

#### PREAMBLE

#### [Commentary:

The structure of this section uses "N" prefix codes to describe the basic elements of spine surgery: decompression and arthrodesis (fusion), both anterior and posterior. Specific "E" prefix codes can be added where indicated to determine the amount payable for a particular operation. In accordance with the surgical preamble, the full fee applies to the major procedure and additional "N" prefix procedures are payable in addition to the major procedure at 85% of the fee unless otherwise stated.]

#### OTHER TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

- **1.** The preamble to the Musculoskeletal System Surgical Procedures section also applies to this section as applicable (e.g. fractures).
- 2. Fusion of one disc level (one motion segment) includes two levels of instrumentation.
- **3.** Obtaining bone for grafting is included as a component of all fusion procedures and is *not eligible for payment* when performed with any fusion procedure.
- **4.** Thoracotomy performed in conjunction with spinal procedures by a surgeon not performing the spinal surgery constitutes M137 (P13).
- **5.** Laparotomy performed in conjunction with spinal procedures by a surgeon not performing the spinal surgery constitutes S312 (S34).
- 6. Three-dimensional (3D) computer-assisted stereotactic navigation (E378) must include the preoperative or intra-operative generation of axial, sagittal and coronal reformatted images that are processed and virtually represented in 3D by a surgical navigational system. In addition, the surgical navigational system must be used to reflect the position of an image-guided (tracked) surgical tool(s) relative to the patient's anatomy. This may be performed by either frame or frameless technique and applies to any spinal level.
- 7. Two-dimensional (2D) computer-assisted stereotactic navigation (E379) must include the intraoperative generation of antero-posterior, lateral or multiple oblique 2D views that are processed and virtually represented in 2D by a surgical navigational system. In addition, the surgical navigational system must be used to reflect the position of an image-guided (tracked) surgical tool(s) relative to the patient's anatomy. This may be performed by either frame or frameless technique and applies to any spinal level.

#### Note:

The use of an intra-operative imaging tool such as a portable x-ray, fluoroscope (2D or 3D), CT, MRI or ultrasound for "live" localization without a surgical navigational system as defined above does not constitute E378 or E379 and is *not eligible for payment*.

**8.** Acute spinal cord injury premium (E383) is *only eligible for payment* when rendered to patients who are described under ASIA impairment scale ratings A to C and have acute conditions which have been present for 6 *week*s or less.

### ASIA IMPAIRMENT SCALE

A. Complete - No motor or sensory function is preserved in the sacral segments S4-S5.

**B.** Incomplete - Sensory but not motor function is preserved below the neurological level and extends though the sacral segments S4-S5.

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- **C.** Incomplete Motor function is preserved below the neurological level, and the majority of key muscles below the neurological level have a muscle grade less than 3.
- **9.** Use of the operating microscope, both intra and extradural, when required, is included as a component of all spinal fee *schedule* codes and is *not eligible for payment* when rendered with any procedure in this section.

	IOR SPINAL DECOMPRESSION			
ANTER	IOR SPINAL DECOMPRESSION	Asst	Surg	Anae
Δ١Ι	levels	A331	ourg	Anac
# E383 # E382	<ul> <li>acute spinal cord injury premium add</li> <li>spinal duroplasty using autologous/allogenic/synthetic</li> </ul>		255.00	
# L302	tissue add		244.80	
-	rvical			
	Disc excision (one level)	10	918.00	10
# N501	Vertebrectomy (removal of vertebral body and excision of adjacent discs)	11	1100.40	11
# E360	<ul> <li>each additional level decompression, to N500 or N501</li> </ul>			
	add		306.00	
	Anterior cervical decompression by intra-oral approach	15	1442.95	15
	ote: o other anterior cervical decompression codes (i.e. N500, N501	E360) a	oro eligible :	for
	<i>ayment</i> when rendered with anterior cervical decompression by			
-				(
	oracic - includes thoracotomy		1 = 0 0 0 0	4 -
	Disc excision (one level)	11	1530.00	15
# N503	Vertebrectomy (removal of vertebral body and excision of adjacent discs)	12	1836.00	17
# E360	each additional level decompressed, to N502 or N503 add	12	306.00	17
# E362	- combined thoracotomy/laparotomy, to N502 or N503 add		153.00	
	oracic - thoracotomy by separate surgeon	11	1100.00	15
	Disc excision (one level) Vertebrectomy (removal of vertebral body and excision of	11	1122.00	15
$\pi$ NJUJ	adjacent discs)	12	1428.00	17
# E360	- each additional decompressed, to N504 or N505 add		306.00	
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	mbar - includes laparotomy/retroperitoneal approach	0	1004.00	10
00CN # N507	Disc excision (one level) Vertebrectomy (removal of vertebral body and excision of	9	1224.00	13
# 1007	adjacent discs)	10	1734.00	15
# E360	- each additional level decompressed, to N506 or N507	10	1101.00	10
	add		306.00	
# E362	- combined thoracotomy/laparotomy, to N506 or N507 add		153.00	
Lu	mbar - laparotomy/retroperitoneal approach by separate su	rgeon		
	Disc excision (one level)	9	918.00	13
	Vertebrectomy (removal of vertebral body and excision of		-	
	adjacent discs)	10	1428.00	15
# E360	- each additional level decompressed, to N508 or N579		000.00	
	add		306.00	

ANTERI	OR SPINAL ARTHRODESIS FOLLOWING DECOMPRESSIO	N		
		Asst	Surg	Anae
Cerv	vical - without instrumentation			
# E363	- one disc level, to N500 or N501add		357.00	
# E364	- each additional disc level fused, to E363 add		102.00	
Cerv	vical - with instrumentation including cages			
# E365	- one disc level, to N500, N501, N572, N560 or N561. add		765.00	
# E366	- each additional disc level fused, to E365 add		153.00	
Tho	racic/Lumbar - without instrumentation			
# E367	- one disc level, to N502, N503, N504, N505, N506, N507,			
	N508 or N579 add		255.00	
# E364	- each additional disc level fused, to E367 add		102.00	
Tho	racic/Lumbar - with instrumentation including cages			
# E365	- one disc level, to N502, N503, N504, N505, N506, N507,			
	N508, N579, N560 or N561 add		765.00	
# E366	- each additional disc level fused, to E365 add		153.00	
Arti	ficial Disc Insertion			
# N526 /	Artificial disc insertion (includes approach)	11	2040.00	17
# N525 /	Artificial disc insertion (approach by separate surgeon)	10	1734.00	15
# E394	<ul> <li>each additional level replaced, to N526 or N525 add</li> </ul>		765.00	
No	ote:			
Nc	other services in the Spinal Surgical Procedures section are e	liaihle fa	r navment	

No other services in the Spinal Surgical Procedures section are *eligible for payment* when rendered with insertion of an artificial disc (N525, N526) except E394.

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ANTERIOR SPINAL ARTHRODESIS WITH INSTRUMENTATION WIT			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Cervical			
# N516 One disc level	7	510.00	10
# E366 - each additional disc level fused, to N516 add		153.00	
Thoracic - includes thoracotomy			
# N517 One disc level	9	1224.00	13
# E366 - each additional disc level fused, to N517 add		153.00	
Thoracic - thoracotomy by separate surgeon			
# N518 One disc level	9	765.00	13
# E366 - each additional disc level fused, to N518 add		153.00	
Lumbar - includes laparotomy/retroperitioneal approach			
# N559 One disc level	7	1122.00	13
# E366 - each additional disc level fused, to N559 add		153.00	
# E362 - combined thoracotomy/laparotomy, to N559 add		153.00	
Lumbar - laparotomy/retroperitoneal approach by separate su	rgeon		
# N580 One disc level	7	765.00	10
# E366 - each additional disc level fused, to N580 add		153.00	

POSTERIOR SPINAL DECOMPRESSION			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
Note:			
Includes hemi and total laminectomy, foraminotomy and facetec	tomy.		
All levels			
# E383 - acute spinal cord injury premiumadd		255.00	
# E382 - spinal duroplasty using autologous/allogenic/synthetic		044.00	
tissue add		244.80	
# N521 Re-opening of laminectomy for post-op haematoma/infection	7	357.00	8
# N522 Re-opening of laminectomy for repair of CSF leak	7	535.50	8
<b>Note:</b> <b>1.</b> N521 and N522 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> when rendered w	ith any ser	vice in the S	Sninal
Surgical Procedures section except duroplasty (E382) if requi			pinai
<b>2.</b> N521 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> if rendered with N522.			
Cervical / Thoracic			
# N509 One level - unilateral	9	1004.70	12
# N510 One level - bilateral	9	1208.70	17
# E374 - foramen magnum decompression < 3cm as part of			
<ul><li>cervical decompression, to N510 add</li><li># E361 - each additional level decompressed including disc</li></ul>		357.00	
# E361 - each additional level decompressed including disc excision - unilateral or bilateral, to N509 or N510 add		255.00	
# N520 One level - laminoplasty (includes fixation of lamina)	9	1514.70	14
# E380 - each additional level - laminoplasty (includes fixation of	U	1011.70	
lamina), to N520 add		357.00	
# E368 - first disc excision, to N509, N510 or N520 add		306.00	
Lumbar			
# N511 One level - unilateral	8	800.70	15
# N512 One level - bilateral	8	1004.70	15
# E368 - first disc excision, to N511 or N512 add		306.00	
# N524 One level - bilateral canal enlargement - unilateral approach	9	1208.70	15
# E361 - each additional level decompressed including disc			
excision - unilateral or bilateral, to N511, N512 or N524		255.00	
add			
<ul><li># N571 Percutaneous discotomy</li><li># E385 - each additional level of percutaneous discotomy, to N571</li></ul>	6	255.00	8
# E365 - each additional level of percutarieous discotomy, to 1637 i		71.40	
Removal of Vertebral Body including Pedicles for Osteotomy		-	
# N574 Above cord and conus (includes partial rib resection) - each			
level	9	1020.00	13
# N575 Below conus - each level	9	765.00	9
# N576 Smith Peterson Osteotomy - each level	9	255.00	9

POSTER	RIOR SPINAL ARTHRODESIS FOLLOWING DECOMPRESS	ION OR OSTEOTOMY
		Asst Surg Anae
	evels	
# E378 # E379	<ul> <li>3D stereotactic spinal procedureadd</li> <li>2D stereotactic spinal procedureadd</li> </ul>	510.00 510.00
Cerv	vical, Thoracic & Lumbar without instrumentation	
# E369 # E364	- one disc level, to N509, N510, N520, N511 or N512 . add - each additional disc level fused, to E369add	255.00 102.00
	vical with instrumentation - by same surgeon	
# E384	- C1/C2 screw fixation (transarticular, pedicle, lateral mass), to N509, N510, N560, N561or N572 add	1020.00
# E370	- one disc level - below C2, to N509, N510, N572, N574, N575, N576, N560 or N561 add	867.00
# E371	- fusion to occiput, to E384 add	816.00
# E366 # E377	<ul> <li>each additional disc level fused except fusion to occiput or fusion of cervico-thoracic junction, to E384 or E370 add</li> <li>cervico-thoracic junction, to N509, N510, E370, N572,</li> </ul>	153.00
	N574, N560 or N561 add	255.00
Su	<b>ite:</b> bmit claims for levels fused in addition to E384 or E370 using o propriate.	one of E366, E371 or E377 as
-	ommentary: 70 will be reduced to E366 if claimed with E384.]	

### Cervical ... with instrumentation - by separate surgeon

	C1/C2 screw fixation (transarticular, pedicle, lateral mass) fusion to occiput, to N528add	1020.00 816.00
	One disc level - below C2	867.00
# E366	fusion of cervico-thoracic junction, to N528 or N513 add	153.00
# E377	- cervico-thoracic junction, to N513, N572, N574, N560 or N561 add	255.00

### Note:

Submit claims for levels fused in addition to N528 or N513 using one of E366, E371, or E377 as appropriate.

### [Commentary:

N513 will be reduced to E366 if claimed with N528.]

### Thoracic & Lumbar ... with instrumentation - by same surgeon

# E370	- one disc level, to N509, N510, N511, N512, N572, N574,	
	N575, N576, N560 or N561add	867.00
# E366	- each additional disc level fused, to E370 add	153.00
# E387	- fusion to sacrum, to N511, N512, N575, N576, N560 or	
	N561 add	153.00

### POSTERIOR SPINAL ARTHRODESIS FOLLOWING DECOMPRESSION OR OSTEOTOMY

	Asst Surg Anae
Thoracic & Lumbar with instrumentation - by separate su	rgeon
# N513 One disc level	867.00
# E366 - each additional disc level fused, to N513 add	153.00
# E387 - fusion to sacrum, to N513add	153.00
Posterior Interbody Implant/Graft/Nuclear Replacement	
# E372 - one disc level, to N511, N512 or N513 add	510.00
# E376 - each additional disc level stabilized, to E372 add	255.00

POSTERIOR SPINAL ARTHRODESIS AS SOLE PROCEDURE			
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All levels		E10 00	
<ul> <li># E378 - 3D stereotactic spinal procedure add</li> <li># E379 - 2D stereotactic spinal procedure add</li> </ul>		510.00 510.00	
		510.00	
Cervical & Thoracic without instrumentation			
# N519 C1/C2 fusion using graft/posterior wires	8	612.00	10
# N514 One disc level - below C2	7	408.00	10
# E364 - each additional disc level fused, to N514 or N519 add		102.00	
Note: <b>1</b> NE10 is not aligible for neumant when rendered with any other	fucion pro	andura at t	haaama
<ol> <li>N519 is not eligible for payment when rendered with any other level.</li> </ol>	rusion pro	cedure at t	ne same
<b>2.</b> Submit claims for levels fused in addition to N519 using E364.			
<b>[Commentary:</b> N514 will be reduced to E364 if claimed with N519.]			
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Lumbar without instrumentation			
# N581 One disc level	7	408.00	10
# E364 - each additional disc level fused, to N581 add		102.00	
Cervical & Thoracic with instrumentation			
# N532 C1/C2 screw fixation (transarticular, pedicle, lateral mass)	9	1224.00	11
# N515 One disc level - below C2	9	1020.00	11
# E366 - each additional level fused except fusion to occiput or			
fusion of cervico-thoracic junction, to N532 or N515 . add		153.00	
# E371 - fusion to occiput, to N532 add		816.00	
# E377 - cervico-thoracic junction, to N515 or N572 add		255.00	
<b>Note:</b> Submit claims for levels fused in addition to N532 or N515 using	one of E2	66 271	or E277
as appropriate.		00, E37 I, C	
<b>[Commentary:</b> N515 will be reduced to E366 if claimed with N532.]			
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Lumbar with instrumentation			
# N582 One disc level	9	1020.00	15
# E366 - each additional disc level fused, to N582 add		153.00	
# E387 - fusion to sacrum, to N582 add		153.00	

#### Note:

No other services in the Spinal Surgical Procedures section are *eligible for payment* when rendered with N533.

FRACTURES OF THE SPINE			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
# F200 No reduction, brace (includes Halo orthosis), total care by operating surgeon		178.50	
<ul><li># F201 Closed reduction, fracture/dislocation (Halo or caliper traction)</li><li># E383 - acute spinal cord injury premium, to F201 add</li></ul>	6	280.50 255.00	6
<ul> <li># N572 Open reduction, any single level, spine fracture/dislocation, anterior/posterior</li> <li># E395 - open reduction, additional level, spine fracture/</li> </ul>	8	1020.00	11
<ul> <li>dislocation, anterior/posterior, to N572 add</li> <li># E383 - acute spinal cord injury premium, to N572 add</li> <li># E362 - combined thoracotomy/laparotomy, to N572 add</li> <li># E378 - 3D stereotactic spinal procedure, to N572 add</li> <li># E379 - 2D stereotactic spinal procedure, to N572 add</li> </ul>		306.00 255.00 153.00 510.00 510.00	
<ul> <li># N573 Anterior odontoid screw fixation</li></ul>	8	1020.00 510.00 510.00	11
<ul> <li># N570 Vertebroplasty (injection of bone cement) as sole procedure, first level</li> <li># E388 - vertebroplasty combined with any other procedure, first level, to other procedure</li></ul>	7	655.25 204.00	9
add # N583 Kyphoplasty (balloon tamp and injection of bone cement) as sole procedure, first level	8	252.95 1201.55	11
<ul> <li># E392 - kyphoplasty combined with any other procedure, first level, to other procedure</li></ul>		510.00 510.00	
Note:			

**1.**Decompressive services at the level of the fracture are *not eligible for payment* when rendered with N572 as they are included in the open reduction.

**2.**No other services in the Spinal Surgical Procedures section are *eligible for payment* when rendered with N573 except E378 or E379.

**3.**No other services in the Spinal Surgical Procedures section are *eligible for payment* when rendered with N570 except E391.

**4.**No other services in the Spinal Surgical Procedures section are *eligible for payment* when rendered with N583 except E393.

#### [Commentary:

Fusion procedures are *eligible for payment* when performed in addition to N572.]

TUMOURS/INFECTIONS OF THE SPINE			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
# E386 - extradural decompression - spinal cord or cauda equina - tumour or infectionadd 42%			
Note:			
E386 only applies to the major decompressive procedure.			
# N553 Simple soft tissue tumour excision under 5cm	6	204.00	8
# N554 Radical soft tissue tumour excision 5cm and greater	9	484.50	13
Spinal osteomyelitis			
# N549 - incision and drainage including sequestrectomy, anterior			
approach	7	632.40	10
# N548 - incision and drainage only, posterior approach	6	102.00	7
# N550 - sequestrectomy, posterior approach	6	357.00	6
Note:			
N548 is not eligible for payment when rendered with N550 as it is	included	in the N550	service.
# N560 Intradural extramedullary spinal tumour(s) - partial or total			
removal	8	2132.80	10
# N561 Intradural intramedullary spinal tumour(s) - partial or total	-		-
removal	9	2461.45	12
# E382 - spinal duroplasty using autologous/allogenic/synthetic			
tissue, to N560 or N561add		244.80	
# E383 - acute spinal cord injury premium, to N560 or N561 add		255.00	
Note:			
<ol> <li>No other decompressive codes are <i>eligible for payment</i> when re</li> </ol>	endered	with N560 o	r N561.

**2.**N560 is *not eligible for payment* when rendered with N561.

DEFORMITIES OF THE SPINE				
		Asst	Surg	Anae
# N539 Anterior scoliosis correction - any n approach, disc excision and instr	,	12	3060.00	20
# N540 Posterior scoliosis correction - up to approach, disc excision and instr	•	11	2805.00	20
# E389 - each additional level of scoliosis to N540			102.00	
# E390 - halo fixation/traction - pre- or po N540	eri-operative, to N539 or add		255.00	
<ul> <li># E387 - fusion to sacrum, to N539 or N3</li> <li># E378 - 3D stereotactic spinal procedur</li> <li># E379 - 2D stereotactic spinal procedur</li> <li># E383 - acute spinal cord injury premiuted</li> </ul>	e, to N539 or N540 add e, to N539 or N540 add		153.00 510.00 510.00 255.00	

### **REVISION PROCEDURES FOR SPINAL SURGERY**

	Asst	Surg	Anae
# N568 Removal of anterior instrumentation	8	306.00	8
# N541 Removal of posterior instrumentation	8	255.00	8
# E373 - for repeat decompression add 30%			

# E375 - for repeat fusion ...... add 30%

#### Note:

- The repeat decompression premium (E373) only applies to the major "N" prefix decompressive procedure (N500, N501, N502, N503, N504, N505, N506, N507, N508, N579, N509, N510, N511, N512).
- **2.** The repeat fusion premium (E375) only applies to the major fusion "E" or "N" prefix codes (E363, E365, E367, N516, N517, N518, N559, N580, E369, E384, E370, N528, N513, N519, N514, N581, N532, N515, N582).

PROCEDURES ON MUSCULOSKELETAL ELEMENTS			
	Asst	Surg	Anae
# Z940 Vertebral needle biopsy	6	177.05	
Open vertebral biopsy			
# N546 - posterior approach - sole procedure	6	244.80	7
# N547 - anterior approach - sole procedure	6	306.00	8
# N551 Excision spinous process - sole procedure	6	229.50	6
# N552 Excision transverse process - sole procedure	6	382.50	8

#### Note:

N546, N547, N551 or N552 are *not eligible for payment* when rendered with any other service in the Spinal Surgical Procedures section.

PROCEDURES INVOLVING NEURAL ELEMENTS	Asst	Surg	Anae
# Z941 Percutaneous diagnostic stimulation of spinal cord, trigeminal			
nerve root and / or ganglion	6	331.50	8
# Z942 Implantation or revision of stimulation pack or leads	6	306.00	8
# Z943 Programming infusion pump or dorsal column stimulator		142.20	
# Z944 Lumbar sub-arachnoid drainage of CSF		89.75	
# N527 Percutaneous cordotomy or tractotomy	6	469.20	8
# N529 Medullary spinal trigeminal tractotomy	10	1020.00	15
# E383 - acute spinal cord injury premium, to N529 add		255.00	
# N564 Open myelotomy for lesion - unilateral or bilateral	8	1020.00	10
Note:			
No decompressive codes are <i>eligible for payment</i> when rendered	d with N52	29 or N564.	
# N523 AV malformation of cord - excision/obliteration	10	1891.70	13
# E383 - acute spinal cord injury premium, to N523 add		255.00	
Note:			
No other decompressive codes are <i>eligible for payment</i> when rer	ndered wi	th N523.	
# N555 Insertion / revision of implantable infusion pump		590.40	8
# N530 Implantation of spinal cord stimulating electrode by			
laminectomy	8	1008.90	10
Note:			
N530 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> when rendered with any decomp	oressive c	odes.	
# N563 Implantation of permanent subcutaneous reservoir including			
laminectomy	11	510.00	11
Note:			
N563 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> when rendered with any decomp	oressive c	odes.	
# N531 Removal of any stimulation pack or electrode	6	306.00	7
Note:			
N531 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> when rendered with any other se	ervices in	the Spinal S	Surgical
Procedures section			-
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Percutaneous vertebral facet medial branch or sacral lateral b	i anch ne	-	e
<ul><li># N556 First siteadd</li><li># E396 - each additional site to N556add</li></ul>		142.80 71.40	6
# N534 Percutaneous radio frequency posterior dorsal root rhizotomy -		11.40	
any number of levels		379.45	8
		0.0.10	0

PROCEDURES INVOLVING NEURAL ELEMENTS	Asst	Surg	Anae
Sympathectomy - unilateral			
# N542 - cervical	6	357.00	6
# N543 - cervico-dorsal	10	586.50	10
# N544 - thoracic approach	9	433.50	13
# N545 - lumbar	6	295.80	6
# N557 Syringo-subarachnoid shunt	8	1224.00	12
# N558 Syringopleural/syringoperitoneal shunt	9	1428.00	13
# E383 - acute spinal cord injury premium, to N557 or N558 add		255.00	
<b>Note:</b> N557, N558 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> when rendered with any	decompr	oooiyo ooryi	
NSS7, NSS8 are not eligible for payment when rendered with any	decompi		Ce.
# N562 Intradural neurolysis of unusual lesions e.g. diastematomyelia,			
tethered conus, intramedullary haematoma, etc. including laminectomy	8	1224.00	12
# E361 - each additional level decompressed including disc	0	1224.00	12
excision - unilateral or bilateral, to N562 add		255.00	
# E383 - acute spinal cord injury premium, to N562 add		255.00	
# E382 - spinal duroplasty using autologous/allogenic/synthetic		244.00	
tissue, to N562 add		244.80	
<b>Note:</b> N562 is <i>not eligible for payment</i> when rendered with any other de	compres	sive codes e	vcent
additional levels (E361).	,oomproo		,xoopt
# N577 Intradural rhizotomy anterior/posterior (uni/bilateral) - any			
number of roots	8	1276.65	10
# N578 Dorsal root entry zone lesions for pain relief – any number of			
levels	8	1020.00	10
Note:			_
N577, N578 are <i>not eligible for payment</i> when rendered with any	service ir	n the Spinal S	Surgical

N577, N578 are *not eligible for payment* when rendered with any service in the Spinal Surgical Procedures section.

MENIN	GOCOELE AND MYELOMENINGOCOELE			
		Asst	Surg	Anae
# E382	<ul> <li>spinal duroplasty using autologous/allogenic/synthetic tissueadd</li> </ul>		244.80	
# N535	Repair of meningocoele	7	510.00	9
# N536	Repair of myelomeningocoele (one surgeon)	7	1217.10	9
Re	pair of myelomeningocoele (two surgeons)			
# N537	- neurosurgeon		510.00	9
# N538	- reconstructive surgeon		881.55	
# N565	Repair of lipomeningocoele including release of tethered cord	8	1622.80	10
# N566	Repair of anterior sacral meningocoele including release of			
	tethered cord	8	1020.00	10
# N567	Repair of intraspinal meningocoele	8	1020.00	10
N	<b>ote:</b> o decompressive codes are <i>eligible for payment</i> rendered with 1 565, N566 or N567.	N535, N5	36, N537, N	1538,

### [Commentary:

Fusion procedures are *eligible for payment* with these procedures when performed.]

NOT ALLOCATED

# **APPENDIX A**

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### UNINSURED SERVICES:

Please refer to Section 24, Regulation 552 Revised Regulation of Ontario, 1990, under the *Health Insurance Act*.

For a complete text version of Section 24, please refer to: http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/DBLaws/Regs/English/900552 e.htm#BK9

## **APPENDIX A**

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# **APPENDIX B**

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### CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Please refer to Sections 15, 16 and 17 of Regulation 114/94 made under the *Medicine Act*, 1991. For a complete text version of Section 15, 16, and 17, please refer to: http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/DBLaws/Regs/English/940114\_e.htm#P95\_6023

### **RECORDS**:

Please refer to Sections 18 and 19 of Regulation114/94 made under the Medicine Act, 1991.

For a complete text version of Section 18 and 19 please refer to:

http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/DBLaws/Regs/English/940114\_e.htm#P95\_6023

## **APPENDIX B**

NOT ALLOCATED

# **APPENDIX C**

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### **BENEFITS OUTSIDE ONTARIO**

See Sections 28 and 29 of Regulation 552 of Revised Regulations of Ontario, 1990 made under the *Health Insurance Act* for payment of physicians services outside the country.

### INTERPROVINCIAL RECIPROCAL BILLING OF MEDICAL CLAIMS

On April 1, 1988, a reciprocal billing arrangement for insured medical claims came into effect between Ontario and all provinces and territories except Quebec.

The arrangement allows Ontario physicians who voluntarily participate to bill the Ministry of Health directly for services rendered to eligible Canadian residents other than residents covered by the Quebec Plan.

Participating physicians will receive payment at the Ministry of Health *Schedule* of Benefits rates and must accept the payment as payment in full. The agreement includes services rendered by private medical laboratories and private diagnostic facilities but does not include diagnostic services rendered in a hospital setting. (See Bulletin #4210).

Physicians who do not wish to participate, or who are unable to obtain proof of provincial health coverage, must deal with the patient directly issuing an itemized letterhead account or using the standard Out-of-Province/Country Claims Submission Form.

A distinct claim form is available from Ministry of Health Offices for participants in the inter-provincial reciprocal medical billing system. The Ministry of Health also accepts billings for these services on various magnetic media types. Further details can be obtained from any Ministry of Health office.

### **BENEFITS OUTSIDE CANADA**

Prior approval from the Ministry of Health is required for payment for services rendered outside of Canada in connection with an illness, disease, condition or injury that:

- a. is not acute and unexpected, requiring immediate treatment; or
- b. does not arise outside of Canada.

## **APPENDIX C**

NOT ALLOCATED

### PREAMBLE

- 1. Surgery to alleviate significant physical symptoms, which have not responded to a minimum of six *month*s active treatment, or to restore or improve function to any area altered by disease, trauma or congenital deformity normally is an insured service.
- 2. Services rendered by physicians that are solely for the purpose of alteration or restoration of appearance are not an insured service except under circumstances as listed in the following policy:
  - **a.** Emotional, psychological or psychiatric grounds are not considered sufficient reason for the coverage of surgery for alteration of appearance except under exceptional circumstances.
  - **b.** Surgery to alter a non-symptomatic significant defect in appearance caused by disease, trauma, or congenital deformity may be allowed on an Independent Consideration basis, on request of the operating physician provided that it is
    - i. Recommended by a Mental Health Facility (as designated by The *Mental Hospitals Act*) or equivalent, or
    - **ii.** Performed on a patient who is less than 18 years of age and the defect is in the area of the body which normally and usually would not be clothed.
- 3. In establishing this policy, it has been recognized that
  - **a.** Peer acceptance in our society often is influenced disproportionately by facial appearance.
  - b. Children are especially susceptible to emotional trauma caused by physical appearances.
- **4.** Surgery to revise or remove features of physical appearance which are familial in nature and do not interfere with function is not an insured service.
- **5.** Within the context of this policy, the word "disease" does not include the normal sequelae of aging. Surgery to alter changes in appearances caused by aging is not an insured service.
- **6.** Within the context of this policy, the word "trauma" includes trauma due to treatment such as surgery, radiation, etc.
- **7.** The phrase "reasonable period of convalescence" should be considered as two years. Independent consideration will be given to the questionable cases.
- **8.** Prior authorization from the Ministry of Health is not required for all surgery to alter appearance. It is required only for those categories of procedures in which some cases may not be an insured service.
- **9.** Suitable documentation, with the exception of photographs, may be requested in some cases before prior authorization can be considered.
- **10.** The treatment of acute medical or surgical complications resulting from surgery for alteration of appearance and/or function is an insured service whether or not the original surgery was covered by the Ministry of Health. No prior authorization is required.
- 11. Revision, because of undesirable results, of a surgery, which was originally performed for alteration of appearance, is an insured service only if the original surgery was an insured service and if the revision either is part of a pre-planned staged process or occurs within a reasonable period of convalescence. Prior authorization is required only when the original surgical procedure, if it had been carried out at the time of the proposed revision, would have required such authorization.

### SURFACE PATHOLOGY

#### 1. Trauma Scars

- a. Neck or Face:
  - i. Includes ears and non-hair bearing areas of the scalp.
  - **ii.** Repair of all such scars is an insured service, except for scars resulting from previous surgery to alter appearance that was not originally an insured service.
  - **iii.** Repair procedures will depend upon the lesion but *may include* excision, revision, dermabrasion, etc.
  - iv. Rhytidectomy procedures for cosmetic reasons, however, are not insured services.
  - v. Prior authorization from the Ministry of Health for repair of trauma scars to the face or neck is not required.
- b. Scars in other Anatomical Areas
  - i. Repair of scars which interfere with function or which are significantly symptomatic (pain, ulceration, etc.) is an insured service.
  - ii. Scars with no significant symptoms or functional interference
    - Repair is an insured service if such a repair is part of a pre-planned post-traumatic (including post-surgical) staged process. Notification to the Ministry of Health must be included as part of the planning process.
    - Other post-traumatic scar revision is not an insured service.
    - Scar revision should not be claimed when excision of a scar is the method of gaining access to the surgical site of the major procedure.
      - Prior authorization from the Ministry of Health is required for all scar repair procedures in areas other than the face or neck. Scar revision codes should be used (e.g. R026-R029).

### 2. Keloids

- a. Head or Neck
  - i. The repair of all such keloids is an insured service.
  - ii. Repair procedures *may include* excision, injection, dermabrasion or planning.
  - **iii.** Prior authorization is not required.
- b. Excision of keloids in other areas
  - i. Not an insured service unless significantly symptomatic (pain, ulceration, etc.) or there is functional impairment.
  - ii. Prior authorization from the Ministry of Health is required.

#### 3. Tattoos

Excision or destruction of tattoos resulting from sexual or ritual abuse, concentration camp or prisoner of war experience is an insured service. Excision or destruction of any other tattoos, irrespective of the anatomical area, is not an insured service.

### SURFACE PATHOLOGY

### 4. Benign Lesions such as nevi, haemangioma, keratoses, neurofibromata

### Note:

- **1.**Any lesions (e.g. keratosis, nevi) removed for cosmetic purposes and not for any clinical suspicion of disease or malignancy must be billed to the patient.
- **2.** Incision of comedones, acne pustules and milia are not insured services.
- a. Face or Neck
  - i. Excision or destruction of these lesions is an insured service, where there is any suspicion of disease or malignancy.
  - ii. Destruction of any Port Wine Stain on the face or neck is an insured service.
  - **iii.** Prior authorization is not required.
- b. Other Anatomical Areas
  - i. Normally not an insured service if removed for alteration of appearance only, rather than for medical necessity or because of clinical suspicion or evidence of malignancy.
  - **ii.** Removal of very large lesions that would be considered disfiguring in patients of any age may be an insured service. Prior authorization from the Ministry of Health is required.
  - iii. Prior authorization from the Ministry of Health is required.

### 5. Hair Loss

- a. Head or Neck
  - i. Patients aged 17 and below
    - Repair is an insured service for non-hereditary etiologies. Prior authorization is not required.
    - If it is possible that a planned staged procedure will extend beyond the age of 17, prior authorization from the Ministry of Health is required for those services rendered beyond the age of 17.
  - ii. Post-traumatic
    - Repair to the area of traumatic hair loss is an insured service only if carried out within a reasonable period of convalescence. (see Paragraph 7 of this Appendix).
    - Prior authorization from the Ministry of Health is required.
    - Usual repair procedures *may include* skin shifts or flaps, skin grafts, or hair plugs.
  - iii. Other Etiology not an insured service.
- **b.** Other Anatomical Areas not an insured service.

### 6. Epilation of Hair - not an insured service.

### 7. Redundant Skin

- **a.** Excision of redundant skin for elimination of wrinkles, etc. is not an insured service.
- **b.** Blepharoplasty is an insured service only if a vertical visual field defect crosses the fixation point and is caused by redundant eyelid. Prior authorization from the Ministry of Health is required. A computer-generated visual field report and interpretative report must accompany the request for prior authorization.

### SURFACE PATHOLOGY

### 8. Warts

- a. Removal or treatment of warts is not an insured service subject to (b) and (c) below.
- **b.** Removal or treatment of warts by any listed procedure is an insured service in the case of plantar warts, perianal and genital warts and all warts in immunocompromised patients. Prior authorization is not required.
- **c.** Removal or treatment of warts by any listed procedure is an insured service in the case of warts on the head or neck of an *infant* or *child*. Prior authorization is not required.

### 9. Chalazions

Excision of chalazions is insured only for acute eyelid inflammation, induction of astigmatism, visual field defects or suspicion of malignancy.

### **10. Acne Lesions and Scars**

Assessment of patients with acne, including the provision of prescriptions for oral and topical medications, is an insured service. Destruction or repair of acute acne lesions or chronic acne scars by any surgical or physical procedure (e.g. incision, excision, injections, dermabrasion, grafting, chemical peel, cryotherapy, laser, etc.) is not an insured service.

### **11. Congenital Deformities**

- a. Head or Neck
  - **i.** Repair of a congenital deformity, which interferes with function, is an insured service. Prior authorization from the Ministry of Health is required.
  - **ii.** Surgery to correct "Outstanding Ears" is only an insured service in patients who are under eighteen years of age. Prior authorization is not required.
- b. Other Anatomical Areas
  - i. Repair of a congenital deformity, which interferes with function, is an insured service.
  - **ii.** Insertion of testicular prosthesis for congenital absence of one or both testes is an insured service. Prior authorization is not required.

### 12. Post-Traumatic Deformities

- **a.** Reconstructive procedures are insured services at the acute stage; within two years, or if part of a pre-planned staged process of repair.
- **b.** Reconstructive procedures *may include* bone revision, tissue shifts and grafts, prosthesis implantation etc.
- c. Prior authorization from the Ministry of Health is required for repairs beyond the acute stage.
- **d.** Insertion of testicular prosthesis is an insured service when performed at any time subsequent to an orchidectomy procedure. Prior authorization is not required.

### SURFACE PATHOLOGY

# 13. Deformities resulting from local disease (such as loss or distortion of bone, muscle, connective tissue, adipose tissue, etc.)

- a. Head or Neck
  - i. Reconstructive procedures for significant abnormalities are an insured service at the acute stage, during a chronic disease process: within a reasonable period of convalescence (see Paragraph 7 of this Appendix) or if part of a planned staged process of repair initiated during one of these periods.
  - **ii.** Repair procedures normally *may include* tissue grafts, flaps or shifts, bone revision, prosthesis insertion, etc.
  - **iii.** Face lifts, modified face lifts, brow lifts, etc., are not insured services if skin only is involved in the procedure. However, a repair such as ptosis repair or face-lift with underlying slings is an insured service if the procedure is to correct significant deformity following stroke, cancer, seventh nerve palsy etc.
  - iv. Prior authorization from the Ministry of Health is required.
- b. Other Anatomical Areas
  - i. Not an insured service if the correction is for appearance only.
  - **ii.** Correction of severe deformity resulting from polio or neurological disease will be considered for payment.
  - **iii.** Insertion of testicular prosthesis is an insured service. Prior authorization is not required.

### SUB-SURFACE PATHOLOGY

### 14. Breast Surgery

a. Post-mastectomy breast reconstruction

See listed services for payment requirements related to post-mastectomy breast reconstruction.

### [Commentary:

- **1.**Unilateral augmentation mammoplasty in association with post-mastectomy reconstruction of the contralateral breast is an insured service.
- **2.**Unilateral reduction mammoplasty in association with post-mastectomy reconstruction of the contralateral breast is an insured service.
- **3.** Prior authorization of payment is not required for balancing unilateral augmentation mammoplasty or balancing reduction mammoplasty in association with post-mastectomy breast reconstruction.]
- b. Augmentation mammoplasty (other than post-mastectomy breast reconstruction)
  - i. Augmentation mammoplasty when performed for reasons other than post-mastectomy breast reconstruction of the contralateral breast is only insured for the following conditions and when prior authorization of payment is obtained from the Ministry of Health:
    - a. breast aplasia;
    - b. severe unilateral hypoplasia of the breast; or
    - **c.** gross disproportion.
  - **ii.** Only a unilateral procedure (i.e. augmentation or reduction mammoplasty) is insured when performed solely for gross disproportion.

### [Commentary:

Augmentation mammoplasty services are subject to Paragraph (b) of Section 17 of Appendix D of this *Schedule*.]

- c. Reduction Mammoplasty (other than post-mastectomy breast reconstruction)
  - i. Reduction mammoplasty when performed for reasons other than post-mastectomy breast reconstruction of the contralateral breast is only insured for the following conditions and when prior authorization of payment is obtained from the Ministry of Health:
    - a. significant associated symptomatology; or
    - **b.** gross disproportion.
  - **ii.** Only a unilateral procedure (i.e. augmentation or reduction mammoplasty) is insured when performed solely for gross disproportion.

### [Commentary:

Ptosis and/or size alone are not sufficient grounds for coverage of reduction mammoplasty.]

- d. Accessory breasts or accessory nipples
  - i. Excision of accessory breast and nipple tissue is an insured service.

### SUB-SURFACE PATHOLOGY

### [Commentary:

The listed service under Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue of the Integumentary System Surgical Procedures section of this *Schedule* that best describes the procedure performed should be used for excision of accessory breast tissue and/or accessory nipples.

ii. Prior authorization of payment is not required.

### 15. Septorhinoplasty

This is an insured service when the rhinoplasty component is necessary to obtain an adequate airway or; for persons aged 16 years and under, at the time of trauma and for whom the rhinoplasty is completed, or is part of a preplanned staged repair which is commenced, at any time following trauma and prior to the age of 19 years; or, for persons aged 17 years and older at the time of trauma and for whom the rhinoplasty is completed, or is part of a preplanned staged repair of a preplanned staged repair which is commenced, within 2 years following trauma. (see Paragraph 6 of this Appendix).

In cases where a septoplasty is necessary to improve function and a rhinoplasty is done for cosmetic purposes, the Ministry of Health will pay the part of the operation that was medically necessary (e.g. if a septorhinoplasty is performed and a septoplasty was necessary to improve the airway, the Ministry of Health will pay M012 and the surgeon is entitled to claim the difference from the patient). However, if a septorhinoplasty is approved by the Ministry, no extra charge may be made to the patient.

Prior authorization from the Ministry of Health is required. A description of the external deformity should be provided.

### 16. Excision of excess fatty tissue and/or skin

- **a.** Panniculectomy is only insured in the following circumstances and when prior authorization of payment is obtained from the *MOH*:
  - i. where there is significant associated symptomatology related to the pannus;
  - ii. where the pannus extends to a level below the pubis symphysis; and
  - **iii.** where the patient's weight has been stable for a minimum of 6 *month*s when panniculectomy is requested in relation to weight loss.
- **b.** Excision of excess fatty tissue and/or skin other than for panniculectomy is not an insured service.

### [Commentary:

Examples of significant clinical symptomatology include significant pain, chronic skin breakdown, and recurrent cellulitis and/or ulcers.]

### 17. Sex-Reassignment Surgery

Sex-reassignment surgical procedures listed in this section are insured services when prior authorization has been obtained from the *MOH*.

A request for prior authorization must be completed by a physician or nurse practitioner.

### SUB-SURFACE PATHOLOGY

# PART A – SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION NECESSARY FOR A REQUEST FOR PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FOR SURGERY:

A prior authorization request must include supporting assessment(s) that recommend surgery; the assessment must be completed by a provider trained in the assessment, diagnosis, and treatment of gender dysphoria in accordance with the World Professional Association for Transgendered Health (WPATH) Standards of Care that are in place at the time of the recommendation ("appropriately trained provider").

Supporting assessments recommending surgery may be provided by an appropriately trained:

- 1.Physician;
- 2.Nurse Practitioner;
- **3.**Registered Nurse;
- 4.Psychologist; or
- 5. Registered social worker

in accordance with the requirements of Part B below.

### [Commentary:

- **1.** A provider must be able to provide documentation of their training in the assessment, diagnosis and treatment of gender dysphoria on request by the *MOH*.
- **2.** The physician or nurse practitioner submitting a request for prior authorization may also be one of the providers who provides a supporting assessment.]

### Note:

"Registered social worker" refers to a social worker who has a master's degree in social work and who holds a current certificate of registration from the Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers.

### PART B – SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROVAL:

Prior authorization for sex-reassignment surgery will only be provided when the following requirements have been met and only for the specific services listed:

- **1.**External Genital Surgery (clitoral release, glansplasty, metoid*iop*lasty, penile implant, phalloplasty, scrotoplasty, testicular implants, urethroplasty, vaginectomy, penectomy, vaginoplasty)
  - **a.** Two supporting assessments from appropriately trained providers confirming that the patient is an appropriate candidate for surgery as follows:
    - i. One assessment from a physician or nurse practitioner; and
    - **ii.** One assessment from a different physician, different nurse practitioner, registered nurse, psychologist, or regulated social worker; and
  - **b**.The supporting assessments confirm that the insured person meets all of the following criteria:
    - i. Has a diagnosis of persistent gender dysphoria;
    - **ii.** Has completed twelve (12) continuous *month*s of hormone therapy (unless hormones are contraindicated);
    - **iii.** Has completed twelve (12) continuous *month*s of living in a gender role that is congruent with their gender identity; and
    - iv. Is recommended for surgery.

### SUB-SURFACE PATHOLOGY

### 2. Hysterectomy, Salpingo-oophorectomy, Orchidectomy

- **a.** Two supporting assessments from appropriately trained providers confirming the patient is an appropriate candidate for surgery as follows:
  - i. One assessment from a physician or nurse practitioner; and
  - **ii.** One assessment from a different physician, a different nurse practitioner, registered nurse, psychologist or regulated social worker; and
- **b**.The supporting assessments confirm that the insured person has:
  - i. a diagnosis of persistent gender dysphoria; and
  - **ii.** has completed twelve (12) continuous *month*s of hormone therapy (unless hormones are contraindicated).
- 3. Mastectomy
  - **a.**One supporting assessment from an appropriately trained provider who is a physician or nurse practitioner confirming the patient is an appropriate candidate for surgery; and
  - **b.**The assessment confirms that the insured person has diagnosis of persistent gender dysphoria.
- 4. Augmentation Mammoplasty
  - **a.**One supporting assessment from an appropriately trained provider who is a physician or nurse practitioner confirming the patient is an appropriate candidate for surgery; and
  - **b.**The assessment confirms that the insured person has:
    - i. a diagnosis of persistent gender dysphoria; and
    - **ii.** has completed twelve (12) continuous *month*s of hormone therapy with no breast enlargement (unless hormones are contraindicated).

### PART C – POST-SURGICAL COMPLICATIONS:

Additional surgery that is required because of complications causing significant physical symptoms or functional impairment is insured when prior authorization has been obtained from the *MOH*.

The prior authorization request must be made by the surgeon proposing the surgery.

### [Commentary:

There are additional requirements for surgical services to be received at a hospital or health facility outside Canada and a separate prior approval of the General Manager of *OHIP* is required. See

http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/public/programs/*ohip*/outofcountry/prior\_approval.aspx for application process and requirements.]

### 18. Sex-Assignment Surgery

Sex-assignment surgery for persons with congenitally ambiguous genitalia is an insured service. Prior authorization from the Ministry of Health is not required.

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# **APPENDIX F**

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This attachment is included in the publication for information purposes only.

The services set out below are not "insured services" within the meaning of the *Health Insurance Act* but are paid by the Ministry of Health, acting as paying agent on behalf of the Ministry of Community and Social Services (MCSS), the Ministry of the Attorney General, the Ministry of the Solicitor General, and the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB).

### MCSS ONTARIO DISABILITY SUPPORT PROGRAM (ODSP)

K050	Health Status Report and <i>Act</i> ivities of Daily Living Index (completion of amalgamated forms for initial ODSP	
	application)	105.65
K051	Health Status Report (completed separately) for initial ODSP	
	application	84.50
K052	Activities of Daily Living Index (completed separately) for initial	
	ODSP application	21.10
K057	Medical Form Part A for Medical Review process	37.00
K058	Medical Form Part B including both Health Status Report and	
	Activities of Daily Living Index for Medical Review process	132.00
K059	Health Status Report of Part B (completed separately) for	
	Medical Review process	105.65
K060	Activities of Daily Living Index of Part B (completed separately)	
	for Medical Review process	26.40
K054	Mandatory Special Necessities Benefit Request Form	26.40
K055	Application for Special Diet Allowance	21.10
K056	Application for Pregnancy/Breast-feeding Nutritional	
	Allowance	21.10
PERIOD	DIC OCULO-VISUAL ASSESSMENT	
K065	Eye examination rendered to patients between the ages 20	
	and 64 who are recipients of income support under the	
	Ontario Disability Support Program Act, 1997	51.65
K066	Eye examination rendered to patients between the ages 20	
	and 64 who are reginigents of income applications or hopofite	

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under the Ontario Works Act, 1997	

These assessments are rendered primarily to determine if a patient has a simple refractive error (defined as myopia, hypermetropia, presbyopia, anisometropia or astigmatism) and include all services necessary to perform the assessment (ordinarily relevant ocular medical history, relevant past medical history, relevant family history, visual acuity examination, ocular mobility examination, refraction, slit lamp examination of the anterior segment, ophthalmoscopy, tonometry), advice and/or instruction to the patient and provision of a written refractive prescription if required.

### Note:

- **1.** These services are limited to a maximum of one per patient every 24-*month* period regardless of whether the first claim for either service or a major eye examination is or has been submitted for a service rendered by an optometrist or physician.
- **2.**For physicians other than ophthalmologists, claims submitted for any other service by the same physician the same day as either of these services are *not eligible for payment*.

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**3.** This payment represents full payment for the service. No additional charge to either *OHIP* or the patient for this service is permitted.

### MCSS ONTARIO WORKS PROGRAM (OW)

K053	A Limitation to Participation Form	15.85
T ci g o	<b>lote:</b> The MCSS forms identified above are provided to patients only by social servi odes are specific to the applicable form and are not to be claimed for comple overnment document. Form 4, Form 5 and Request for Supplementary Info bsolete and will not be accepted by MCSS. Inquiries regarding MCSS forms o the local MCSS office.	etion of any other mation are
K061	Taking of blood samples in a hospital setting at the request of a police officer	31.65
	Cortical evoked audiometry, multiple frequency (minimum of 4 frequencies in equired by WSIB:	each ear) as
G153 G154	•	10.30 41.70
Т	<b>lote:</b> The <i>technical component</i> of the cortical evoked audiometry service rendered ayable at 94.68% of the listed fee.	in a hospital is

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### MEDICAL RECORDS

Please refer to Section 18 of Regulation 114/94 made under the *Medicine Act*, 1991, and Section 37.1 of the *Health Insurance Act*.

For a complete text version of Section 18 of Regulation 114/94 under the *Medicine Act*, please refer to:

http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/DBLaws/Regs/English/940114\_e.htm#P151\_11852

For a complete text version of Section 37.1, of the Health Insurance Act, please refer to:

http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/DBLaws/statutes/english/90h06\_e.htm#BK77

## **APPENDIX G**

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# **APPENDIX H**

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ASSISTING AT SURGERY AND ANAESTHESIA TIME UNITS TABLE

Time in Minutes [Hours]		Assistant Time Units for Billing	Anaesthesia Time Units for Billing	
0-15		1	1	
>15-30		2	2	
>30-45		3	3	
>45-60		4	4	
>60-75	[>1h – 1h 15m]	6	6	
>75-90	[>1h 15m – 1h 30m]	8	8	
>90-105	[>1h 30m – 1h 45m]	10	11	
>105-120	[>1h 45m – 2h]	12	14	
>120-135	[>2h – 2h 15m]	14	17	
>135-150	[>2h 15m – 2h 30m]	16	20	
>150-165	[>2h 30m – 2h 45m]	19	23	
>165-180	[>2h 45m – 3h]	22	26	
>180-195	[>3h – 3h 15m]	25	29	
>195-210	[>3h 15m – 3h 30m]	28	32	
>210-225	[>3h 30m – 3h 45m]	31	35	
>225-240	[>3h 45m – 4h]	34	38	
>240-255	[>4h – 4h 15m]	37	41	
>255-270	[>4h 15m – 4h 30m]	40	44	
>270-285	[>4h 30m – 4h 45m]	43	47	
>285-300	[>4h 45m – 5h]	46	50	
>300-315	[>5h – 5h 15m]	49	53	
>315-330	[>5h 15m – 5h 30m]	52	56	
>330-345	[>5h 30m – 5h 45m]	55	59	
>345-360	[>5h 45m – 6h]	58	62	
>360-375	[>6h – 6h 15m]	61	65	
>375-390	[>6h 15m – 6h 30m]	64	68	
>390-405	[>6h 30m – 6h 45m]	67	71	
>405-420	[>6h 45m – 7h]	70	74	
>420-435	[>7h – 7h 15m]	73	77	
>435-450	[>7h 15m – 7h 30m]	76	80	
>450-465	[>7h 30m – 7h 45m]	79	83	

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Time in Minutes [Hours]		Assistant Time Units for Billing	Anaesthesia Time Units for Billing
>465-480	[>7h 45m – 8h]	82	86
>480-495	[>8h – 8h 15m]	85	89
>495-510	[>8h 15m – 8h 30m]	88	92

### **APPENDIX J**

#### Section 1 – Eligible Comprehensive Virtual Care Services

#### **VIDEO OR TELEPHONE**

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## **APPENDIX J**

### Section 2 – Eligible Limited Virtual Care Services

Code	Description
A101A	Video
A102A	Telephone

## **APPENDIX J**

NOT ALLOCATED

Appendix Q does not form part of the *Schedule* of Benefits: Physician Services under the *Health Insurance Act* and is for your information only.

Please Refer to the Primary Health Care Fact Sheets for complete billing information.

Summary of Acronyms			
ССМ	Comprehensive Care Model		
FHG	Family Health Group		
FHN	Family Health Network		
FHO	Family Health Organization		
RNPGA	Rural and Northern Physician Group Agreement		
BSM	Community Sponsored Agreement Blended Salary Model		
GHC	Group Health Centre		
SJHC	SJHC St Joseph's Health Centre		
SEAMO	South Eastern Academic Medical Organization		
TPCA	Toronto Palliative Care Agreement		
WHA	Weeneebayko Health Ahtuskaywin		

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models
New Pati	ent Fees		
Q023A	Unattached Patient Fee	150.00	CCM, FHG, FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA
Q043A	New Patient Fee Abnormal Colorectal Cancer (CRC)/ Increased Risk Payment Based on age of patient	150.00 (up to 64 years) 170.00 (65 to 74 years) 230.00 (75 Years +)	CCM, FHG, FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA For minimum requirements to claim Q043A please see INFOBulletin 4723

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models	
New Pati	New Patient Fees			
Q053A	HCC Complex-Vulnerable Patient Fee	350.00	CCM, FHG, FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA	

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models
After Ho	urs Fees		
Q012A	After Hours Fee	30%	FHG, FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA
Q016A	After Hours Fee	30%	ССМ
Q017A	HIV After Hours Fees	30%	HIV
Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models
Weekend & Holiday Access for FHO Patient			
Q888A	Weekend Access for FHO Patients	37.95	FHO

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models
Chronic	Disease Management		
Q042A	Smoking Cessation Counselling Fee (2 / year)	7.50	CCM, FHG, FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA
Q050A	Heart Failure Management Incentive (Annual)	125.00	CCM, FHG, FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models	
Newborn	Newborn Care Fees			
Q014A	Newborn Care Episodic Fee	15.05	FHN, SEAMO	
Q015A	Newborn Care Episodic Fee	13.99	FHO	

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models
Rostering	Fees		
Q200A	Per Patient Rostering Fee	0.00	CCM, FHG, FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA
Q201A	Per Patient Rostering Fee	0.00	GHC, FHN, FHO
Q202A	Per Patient Rostering Fee	0.00	GHC, FHN, FHO

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models
Q590A	Basic Flu Shot - fee for visit premium	5.10	FHN, FHO
Q593A	Sole Visit Premium COVID-19 vaccine PEM	5.60	FHO, FHN, GHC, RNPGA, WHA, SJHC, TPCA, BSM, GP Focus Care of the Elderly, GP Focus HIV, Homeless Shelter Agreements, Sioux Lookout Agreements

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models				
Preventi	Preventive Care Fees and Bonuses						
Q150A	Colorectal Cancer Screening Fee (Once per patient every two years unless a patient has a negative colonoscopy (i.e., revealing either no polyps or only hyperplastic polyps in the sigmoid or rectum), then only after a period of 10 years, unless earlier screening is clinically indicated based on findings, advice and/or recommendations of the specialist who rendered the colonoscopy)	7.00	All primary care physicians in Ontario including physicians participating in Patient Enrolment Models For minimum requirements to claim Q150A please see INFOBulletin 4723				
Q152A	Colorectal Cancer Screening Test Completion Fee (Once per patient every two years unless a patient has a negative colonoscopy (i.e., revealing either no polyps or only hyperplastic polyps in the sigmoid or rectum), then only after a period of 10 years, unless earlier screening is clinically indicated based on findings, advice and/or recommendations of the specialist who rendered the colonoscopy)	5.00	All primary care physicians in Ontario including FHG and CCM physicians who do not meet the minimum roster size. Physicians participating in Patient Enrolment Models who are eligible for Preventive Care Bonus Payment are <b>not</b> eligible to bill this fee code. For minimum requirements to claim Q152A please see INFOBulletin 4723				

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models		
Preventi	Preventive Care Fees and Bonuses (continued)				
Q100A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Influenza Vaccine - 60% (\$220)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		
Q101A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Influenza Vaccine - 65% (\$440)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		
Q102A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Influenza Vaccine - 70% (\$770)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		
Q103A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Influenza Vaccine - 75% (\$1100)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		
Q104A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Influenza Vaccine - 80% (\$2200)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models
Preventi	ve Care Fees and Bonuses (con	tinued)	
Q105A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Pap Smear - 60% (\$220)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models
Preventiv	ve Care Fees and Bonuses (con	tinued)	
Q106A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Pap Smear - 65% (\$440)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size
Q107A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Pap Smear - 70% (\$660)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size
Q108A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Pap Smear - 75% (\$1320)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models
Preventiv	ve Care Fees and Bonuses (con	tinued)	
Q109A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Pap Smear - 80% (\$2200)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size
Q110A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Mammography - 55% (\$220)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size
Q111A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Mammography - 60% (\$440)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models		
Preventiv	Preventive Care Fees and Bonuses (continued)				
Q112A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Mammography - 65% (\$770)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		
Q113A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Mammography - 70% (\$1320)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		
Q114A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Mammography - 75% (\$2200)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		
Q115A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Childhood Immunizations - 85% (\$440)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		
Q116A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Childhood Immunizations - 90% (\$1100)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models
Preventi	ve Care Fees and Bonuses (cont	tinued)	
Q117A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Childhood Immunizations - 95% (\$2200)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models		
Preventiv	Preventive Care Fees and Bonuses (continued)				
Q118A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Colorectal Cancer Screening - 15% (\$220)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		
Q119A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Colorectal Cancer Screening - 20% (\$440)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		
Q120A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Colorectal Cancer Screening - 40% (\$1100)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		
Q121A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Colorectal Cancer Screening - 50% (\$2200)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		
Q122A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Colorectal Cancer Screening - 60% (\$3300)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size		

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models
Preventiv	ve Care Fees and Bonuses (cont	tinued)	
Q123A	Cumulative Preventive Care Management Service Enhancement Code (Preventive Care Bonus) Colorectal Cancer Screening - 70% (\$4000)	Bill at \$0.00	FHN, FHO, RNPGA, BSM, GHC, SJHC, SEAMO, WHA, CCM and FHG physicians who meet the minimum roster size

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models	
	Premiums Payable to Physicians When Providing Eligible Comprehensive Virtual Care Services			
Q012A	Primary care after-hours fee	30% of virtual fee paid	FHO, FHN, FHG, GHC, BSM, RNPGA, SJHC, WAHA	
Q016A	CCM after-hours fee	30% of virtual fee paid	CCM	
Q017A	HIV after-hours fee	30% of virtual fee paid	GP Focused HIV	
Q018A	GP focus – COE1 after-hours fee	30% of virtual fee paid	GP Focused COE	
Q020A	Serious mental illness premium: special payment for mental health services	\$1,200 - \$2,400	FHN, FHO, FHG, BSM, GHC, RNPGA, WAHA, SJHC, GP Focused HIV, Sioux Lookout Agreement	
Q021A	Serious mental illness premium: special payment for mental health services	\$1,200 - \$2,400	FHN, FHO, FHG, BSM, GHC, RNPGA, WAHA, SJHC, GP Focused HIV, Sioux Lookout Agreement	
Q042A	Smoking cessation counselling fee	7.50	BSM, CCM, FHG, FHN, FHO, GHC, GP Focused HIV, RNGPA, SJHC, WAHA	
Q091	Primary care after-hours fee	10% of virtual fee paid	TPCA, GP Focused Palliative Care	
Q150A	Colorectal cancer screening fee	7.00	All GP physicians	
Q152A	Colorectal cancer screening test completion fee	5.00	All GP physicians	

Code	Description	Fee	Eligible Models
Premiums Payable to Physicians When Providing Eligible Comprehensive Virtual Care Services			
-	Palliative care special premium	\$3,600 - \$6,000	All GP physicians

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