

Specialty Codes

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Specialty Codes

This is a list of health care provider specialties or disciplines recognized by the [Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada](#) relevant to services covered by the Ministry of Health.

Physician specialty codes

Specialty Code	Physician specialty or discipline
00	Family Practice and Practice In General
01	Anaesthesia
02	Dermatology
03	General Surgery
04	Neurosurgery
05	Community Medicine
06	Orthopaedic Surgery
07	Geriatrics
08	Plastic Surgery
09	Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery
11	Critical Care Medicine

Specialty Codes - Ontario Health Insurance Plan

Specialty Code	Physician specialty or discipline
12	Emergency Medicine
13	Internal Medicine
15	Endocrinology
16	Nephrology
17	Vascular Surgery
18	Neurology
19	Psychiatry
20	Obstetrics and Gynaecology
22	Genetics
23	Ophthalmology
24	Otolaryngology
26	Paediatrics
27	Non-Physician Lab Director
28	Laboratory Medicine
29	Microbiology
30	Clinical Biochemistry
31	Physical Medicine
33	Diagnostic Radiology
34	Radiation Oncology
35	Urology
41	Gastroenterology
44	Medical Oncology
45	Palliative Medicine

Specialty Code	Physician specialty or discipline
46	Infectious Disease
47	Respiratory Disease
48	Rheumatology
60	Cardiology
61	Haematology
62	Clinical Immunology
63	Nuclear Medicine
64	Thoracic Surgery
72	Occupational Medicine

Dental specialty codes

Specialty Code	Dental specialty or discipline
49	Dental Surgery
50	Oral Surgery
51	Orthodontics
52	Paedodontics
53	Periodontics
54	Oral Pathology
55	Endodontics
70	Oral Radiology
71	Prosthodontics

Practitioner specialty codes

Specialty Code	Practitioner specialty or discipline
56	Optometry / Optometrist
57	Osteopathy
58	Chiropody (Podiatry)
59	Chiropractics
75	Midwife (referral only)
76	Nurse Practitioners
80	Private Physiotherapy Facility (Approved to Provide Home Treatment Only)
81	Private Physiotherapy Facility (Approved to Provide Office and Home Treatment)

Other specialty codes

Specialty Code	Other specialty or discipline
27	Non-medical Laboratory Director (Provider Number Must Be 599993)
75	Midwife (Referral Only)
76	Nurse Practitioner
85	Alternate Health Care Profession
86	Generic Referral
90	Integrated Community Health Services Centres (ICHSC) Non-Medical Practitioner (Provider Number Must Be 991000)
99	Reciprocal Medical Billing System (RMBS) Out-of-province (OOP)/Out-of-country (OOC)

Note: These codes and their associated descriptions are subject to change.

Claims Submission – Resources for Physicians

This resource and others can be found on Claim Submission page of the Resources for Physicians. [Visit the Claim Submission page](#) to find:

- [Diagnostic Codes](#)
- [Remittance Advice Explanatory Codes](#)
- [Error Report Explanatory Codes / Error Report Messages](#)
- [Error Report Rejection Conditions / Error Codes](#)
- [Province and Territory Codes](#)
- [Specialty Codes](#)

OHIP Publications – medical claims and health card validation

Find [OHIP manuals and technical specifications for medical claims and health card validation](#). Resources on this page include:

- Medical Claims Electronic Data Transfer (MCEDT)
- eSubmission of Medical Claims Documentation (eSubmit)
- technical specifications
- list of vendors who have met conformance testing

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