

mcp newsletter

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TO: FEE-FOR-SERVICE FAMILY PHYSICIANS**RE: FEE-FOR-SERVICE FAMILY MEDICINE OBSTETRIC BONUS PROGRAM**

The current Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) includes the provision of an Obstetrical Bonus for fee-for-service (and salaried) family physicians (FPs) who provide labour and delivery obstetrical services. Details for eligible fee-for-service family physicians seeking to apply for this bonus are below. Salaried family physicians can expect to receive relevant correspondence on this matter through the Provincial Health Authority.

Eligibility

Practising **fee-for-service** family physicians who provide obstetric services billable as fee code 80004 - Delivery, or 80014 - Attendance at labour are eligible to receive a bonus payment each year. The most recent one year period for which the bonus is payable is April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023.

Calculation of the Bonus

The bonus amount for an individual fee-for-service family physician is calculated after the end of the 2022-23 fiscal year. The bonus will be calculated by multiplying the total number of eligible services by \$100 and adding the result to the applicable figure from the following table:

Total Number of Eligible Units*	Bonus Contribution
5-15	\$5,000
16-30	\$7,500
31 or more	\$10,000

*Eligible units = total number of normal delivery and attendance at labour codes (80004 and 80014) paid to that physician for the time period indicated.

Example: A family physician was paid 24 eligible labour and delivery services in the one-year period. The bonus payment will be $24 \times \$100 + \$7,500 = \$9,900$.

Applying for the Bonus

The 90 day claim submission period for the last date of the one year period will end on July 1, 2023. Eligible family physicians should submit an application (contained in this newsletter) by June 30, 2023. Completed forms should be sent to the Medical Services Division of the Department of Health and Community Services by fax (709) 729-5238 or mail: MedServicesPrograms@gov.nl.ca.

Payment

The bonus amount will be paid by MCP as a financial adjustment in August 2023. If the payment is delayed for technical reasons, it will be made on the earliest possible payment date. Applications received after June 30, 2023 will not be approved for payment.

Questions relating to the content of this newsletter should be directed to
MedServicesPrograms@gov.nl.ca.



Fee-for-Service Family Physician Obstetric Bonus Application Form

Physician Name (please print): _____

Provider Number: _____

This will confirm that I have submitted all my claims for fee codes **80004** and **80014** for services rendered in the most recent one-year period from April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023.

During that time, I was in full time fee-for-service practice from:

_____ to _____

Please calculate and remit my Family Physician Obstetric Bonus

Signature

Date

Completed applications must be sent to the Department of Health and Community Services, Medical Services Division, no later than June 30, 2023, via email at MedServicesPrograms@gov.nl.ca or fax at 709-729-5238.