

## mcp newsletter

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April 1, 2022

**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 their Regional Health Authority's Medical Services Division.

### **Eligibility**

Practicing **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, 2021 to March 31, 2022.

### **Applying for the Bonus**

The 90 day claim submission period for the last date of the one year period will end on July 1, 2022. Eligible family physicians should submit an application (contained in this newsletter) for the bonus by July 31, 2022. Completed forms should be sent to the Medical Services Division of the Department of Health and Community Services by mail or e-mail:

Medical Services Division  
Department of Health and Community Services  
PO Box 8700,  
St. John's, NL A1B 4J6

E-mail: [MedServicesPrograms@gov.nl.ca](mailto:MedServicesPrograms@gov.nl.ca)

**Calculation of the Bonus**

The bonus amount for an individual fee-for-service family physician is calculated after the end of the 2021-2022 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 Units (Eligible Services*)	Bonus Contribution
5-15	\$5,000
16-30	\$7,500
31 or more	\$10,000

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

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

**Note:** As outlined in [MCP Newsletter 21-05](#), calculation of the Bonus for 2021-2022 and thereafter (as per the MOA) does not apply for less than five units of total number of units/eligible services.

**Payment**

The bonus amount will be paid by MCP as a financial adjustment beginning the first pay period in September, 2022. If the payment is delayed for technical reasons, it will be made on the earliest possible upcoming payment date. Applications received after July 31, 2022 will not be approved for payment.

Questions relating to the content of this newsletter should be directed to Melissa Bath by email at <a href="mailto:MelissaBath@gov.nl.ca">MelissaBath@gov.nl.ca</a> .
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**APPLICATION FOR FEE-FOR-SERVICE FAMILY PHYSICIAN  
OBSTETRIC BONUS**

**TO: MEDICAL SERVICES DIVISION  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES  
P.O. BOX 8700, ST. JOHN'S, NL A1B 4J6**

**FROM: \_\_\_\_\_  
Physician Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Physician MCP Billing 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, 2021 to March 31, 2022.

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**