

mcp newsletter

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TO: FEE-FOR-SERVICE PHYSICIANS

RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador and the Newfoundland and Labrador Medical Association have signed a new Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) covering the period of October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2023. In accordance with the MOA, all rate changes are retroactive to December 30, 2021.

Rate Changes

Please note all rate changes are subject to the MCP Payment Schedule preamble. Rate changes are as follows:

Item	Old Rate	New Rate	
Sessional Clinics (half-day clinics)			
Family Physician	\$500.00	\$566.53	
Specialist Physician	\$600.00	\$659.26	
Surgical Assist			
Dedicated Time	\$27.50	\$31.16	
Time and Basic	\$30.00	\$33.99	
On-Call Program (24 hour on-call)			
Tier 1*	\$300.24	\$326. <mark>16</mark>	
Tier 2*	\$266.88	\$289.9 <mark>2</mark>	
Tier 3*	\$233.52	\$253. <mark>68</mark>	
Tier 4*	\$200.16	\$217. <mark>44</mark>	
Call Back	\$348.00	\$378.00	
External Locum Rates (daily)			
Family Physicians (Category B)	\$726.00	\$825.00	
Family Physicians	\$875.00	\$995.00	
Hospitalists	-	\$1,090.00	
Specialists	\$1,225.00	\$1,335.00	
Internal Locum (hourly)			
Family Physician (FFS)	\$9.20	\$12.92	
Family Physicians (Salaried)	\$21.46	\$30.13	
Hospitalist Physicians (Salaried)	-	\$34.09	



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Specialist Physicians (FFS)	\$11.47	\$18.73	
Specialist Physicians (Salaried)	\$26.67	\$43.55	
Long-Term Care per diems/bed rates (DHCS facilities)	\$1.37	\$1.55	
Category "A" Facilities (hourly)	\$194.62	\$232.07	
Category "B" Facilities (hourly)			
611010: Fee-for-Service (Daytime + FFS claims)	\$50.00	\$56.65	
611010: Fee-for-Service (After Hours + FFS claims)	\$50.00	\$56.65	
611020: Fee-for-Service (After Hours, no FFS Claims)	\$73.00	\$78.84	

^{*}MCP billing system operates on an hourly basis. Daily Rates have been updated to reflect rounded hourly rate x 24 hours.

Example: $$326.20/\text{day} \div 24 \text{ hours} = $13.591/\text{hour} = $13.59/\text{hour}$ $$13.59/\text{hour} \times 24 \text{ hours} = $326.16/\text{day}$

Changes to Fee-for-Service Visit Premiums are as follows:

MCP	Family Physicians		Specialist	Physicians
Code	Old Rate	New Rate	Old Rate	New Rate
50	\$20.18	\$22.23	\$14.25	\$15.70
52	\$25.18	\$27.74	\$28.50	\$31.40
53	\$30.18	\$33.25	\$42.80	\$47.15
60	No Change	No Change	\$14.25	\$15.70
61	No Change	No Change	\$28.50	\$31.40
62	No Change	No Change	\$28.50	\$31.40
63	No Change	No Change	\$42.80	\$47.15
66	No Change	No Change	\$8.15	\$8.98
67	No Change	No Change	\$12.20	\$13.44
68	No Change	No Change	\$12.20	\$13.44
69	No Change	No Change	\$18.70	\$20.60
70	\$16.07	\$17.70	\$16.07	\$17.70
71	\$32.04	\$35.30	\$32.04	\$35.30
72	\$45.05	\$49.63	\$45.05	\$49.63
73	\$67.59	\$74.46	\$67.59	\$74.46
76	\$9.14	\$10.07	\$9.14	\$10.07
77	\$13.73	\$15.13	\$13.73	\$15.13
78	\$21.96	\$24.19	\$21.96	\$24.19
79	\$33.03	\$36.39	\$33.03	\$36.39
80	\$23.00	\$25.34	\$14.25	\$15.70
82	\$28.00	\$30.85	\$28.50	\$31.40
83	\$33.00	\$36.35	\$42.80	\$47.15
88	\$3.60	\$3.97	\$3.60	\$3.97
89	\$5.90	\$6.50	\$5.90	\$6.50

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90	\$24.82	\$27.34	\$16.07	\$17.70
91	\$31.54	\$34.74	\$32.04	\$35.30
92	\$45.55	\$50.18	\$45.05	\$49.63
93	\$57.79	\$63.66	\$67.59	\$74.46
96	\$9.14	\$10.07	\$9.14	\$10.07
97	\$13.73	\$15.13	\$13.73	\$15.13
98	\$22.96	\$25.29	\$21.96	\$24.19
99	\$33.03	\$36.39	\$33.03	\$36.39

As of June 25, 2022, physician can begin billing for their services at the new rates.

Fee-for-Service Biweekly Adjustments

The table below shows the percentage adjustment effective December 30, 2021 for each specialty, for purposes of fee code allocation. These percentage increases will be applied to the total bi-weekly payments to Fee-for-Service Physicians until such time as the microallocation process is completed.

Specialty	Percentage Adjustment
Family Medicine	13.31%
Anaesthesia	10.46%
Radiology	-
Nuclear Medicine	-
Medical Specialties	
Dermatology	-
Internal Medicine	8.28%
Critical Care	10.00%
Neurology	0.28%
Paediatrics	-
Psychiatry	16.74%
Surgical Specialties	
Obstetrics and Gynaecology	15.04%
Ophthalmology	9.22%
Otolaryngology	8.03%
General Surgery	7.72%
Orthopedics Surgery	-
Neurosurgery	-
Plastic Surgery	12.45%
Urology	10.41%



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Biweekly adjustments will be issued as a financial adjustment by MCP starting July 29, 2022 (PP09). If payments are delayed for technical reasons, they will be issued on the earliest possible pay period.

Retroactive Payments

In accordance with the MOA, all rate changes as outlined above are retroactive to December 30, 2021. The retroactive payments will be issued as a financial adjustment by MCP. An anticipated date for retroactive payments will be released in a future Newsletter.

Questions relating to the content of this newsletter should be directed to Melissa Bath by email at MelissaBath@gov.nl.ca.