

mcp newsletter

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TO: FEE FOR SERVICE OPHTHALMOLOGISTS

RE: REMOTE INTERPRETATION OF RETINOPHOTOS

In consultation with the Newfoundland and Labrador Medical Association (NLMA), the Department of Health & Community Services (DHCS) introduced an amendment to fee code 54899 (Retinophoto interpretation) of the Medical Care Plan (MCP) Medical Payment Schedule. This amendment clarifies that fee code 54899 refers only to the interpretation of retinophotos by a physician who is “remote” from the site where the photos were taken.

Code		GP/Spec.	Anaes.
54899	Remote Retinophoto Interpretation	9.44	

Notes:

1. **For remote use only**
2. **No visit code is billable in addition to 54899**
3. **Maximum one unit per patient (unilateral or bilateral) per month**
4. **Maximum of 25/week per Ophthalmologist**

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