

mcp newsletter

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TO: ALL FEE FOR SERVICE CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGISTS/ALLERGISTS, FAMILY PHYSICIANS, PAEDIATRICIANS, OTOLARYNGOLOGISTS, and DERMATOLOGISTS

RE: SCRATCH/INTRADERMAL SKIN ALLERGY TESTING

In consultation with the Newfoundland and Labrador Medical Association (NLMA), the Department of Health & Community Services (HCS) will be introducing changes to the Medical Care Plan (MCP) Medical Payment Schedule fee code for skin testing for allergies as below effective December 2, 2019. The fee for skin testing will now be based on the number of series billed per visit rather than the number of tests billed per visit.

Code		GP/Spec.	Anaes.
54032	Scratch/intradermal skin tests, per series (maximum of two series).....	43.92	
54033	- for third series, add.....	25.41	

Notes:

- 1) There is a maximum of three series total per visit.
- 2) Skin tests must fall into one of six series: indoor aeroallergens, outdoor aeroallergens, food allergens, latex, medication, and venom.

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