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Subject	<u>LABORATORY TESTS PERFORMED IN PHYSICIANS' OFFICES</u>	

A physician may bill the Ministry of Health for the diagnostic procedures, including laboratory tests, that are listed as G codes in the Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures section of the Schedule of Benefits for Physician Services. To claim for such tests and procedures, the tests or the procedures must be performed by the physician. In cases that are generally and historically accepted as tests and procedures which may be delegated, they must be performed by a suitably trained assistant(s) employed by the physician, in the physician's office and on the physician's own patients.

A physician may claim for a test that is listed in the Laboratory Medicine section of the Schedule when it is not performed in a licensed facility only if the test is performed by the physician. If the test is done by an office nurse, it must represent a minor proportion of the time and normal duties of the nurse. **The test must be interpreted personally by the physician** and be performed in the physician's own office with the physician's own equipment, and the test must relate to the physician's own patient.

It is contrary to the intent of the Laboratory and Specimen Collection Centre Licencing Act for a group of physicians to employ a technologist to perform such tests on their patients without a laboratory license. Such services may only be delegated to a technologist in a facility that is licensed by the Laboratory Licensing and Inspection Service of the Ministry of Health.

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