

Bulletin



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Subject: Emergency Department Fee Increases in Support of the Emergency Department Action Plan

In support of the 2006 Emergency Department Action Plan, fee increases for emergency department services have been implemented in the Schedule of Benefits for Physician Services.

Physicians should submit claims using the new rates starting May 1, 2007. The Ministry will retroactively adjust all eligible claims to the appropriate fee for those services provided from September 1, 2006 to April 30, 2007 on the June 2007 Remittance. Physicians will receive updated Schedule of Benefits pages in April 2007.

Additionally, changes have been made to expand the definition of holiday for the purposes of the emergency department fee codes.

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Schedule of Benefits Amendments for Emergency Department Services

Fee Code	Fee Code Description	Schedule Section	Change	Existing Fee	September 2006	December 2006
<i>Emergency Department Investments</i>						
H055	Consultation - Emergency Department - Physician on duty	A33, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$86.10	\$90.40	\$97.60
H065	Consultation in Emergency Medicine	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$57.40	\$60.30	\$65.10
H105	In-patient interim admission orders	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$18.45	\$19.40	\$21.00
H112	When any other service is rendered by the physician on duty in premium hours (and assessments may not be claimed), apply one of the following premiums per patient visit. - nights - (00:00h to 08:00h)	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$15.00	\$15.80	\$17.10
H113	When any other service is rendered by the physician on duty in premium hours (and assessments may not be claimed), apply one of the following premiums per patient visit. - daytime and evenings - (08:00h to 24:00h) on Saturdays, Sunday and Holidays	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$8.80	\$9.20	\$9.90
H121	Minor Assessment - Nights (00:00h to 08:00h)	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$26.25	\$27.60	\$29.80
H122	Comprehensive assessment and care - Nights (00:00h to 08:00h)	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$65.10	\$68.40	\$73.90
H123	Multiple system assessment - Nights (00:00h to 08:00h)	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$54.95	\$57.70	\$62.30
H124	Re-assessment - Monday to Friday - Nights (00:00h to 08:00h)	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$26.25	\$27.60	\$29.80
H131	Minor Assessment - Monday to Friday - Evenings (17:00h to 24:00h)	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$16.45	\$17.30	\$18.70
H132	Comprehensive assessment and care - Monday to Friday - Evenings (17:00h to 24:00h)	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$40.90	\$42.90	\$46.30
H133	Multiple system assessment - Monday to Friday - Evenings (17:00h to 24:00h)	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$35.30	\$37.10	\$40.10
H134	Re-assessment - Monday to Friday - Evenings (17:00h to 24:00h)	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$16.45	\$17.30	\$18.70
H151	Minor assessment - Saturday, Sundays and Holidays - Daytime and Evenings (08:00h to 24:00h)	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$22.50	\$23.60	\$25.50
H152	Comprehensive assessment and care - Saturday, Sundays and Holidays - Daytime and Evenings (08:00h to 24:00h)	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$55.80	\$58.60	\$63.30
H153	Multiple system assessment - Saturday, Sundays and Holidays - Daytime and Evenings (08:00h to 24:00h)	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$47.40	\$49.80	\$53.80
H154	Re-assessment - Monday to Friday - Saturday, Sundays and Holidays - Daytime and Evenings (08:00h to 24:00h)	A10, NI-43	Fee Increase	\$22.50	\$23.60	\$25.50