

2014 WorkCover Rates for General Practitioners

WorkCover Payment Classification System Information – Professional Medical Services

Payment Classification Code	Type of Service	Fee	Service Description
AA010	Level A Consultation	\$36.00	AMA codes must be used for all consultations and medical treatment services.
AA020	Level B Consultation	\$73.00	The rate for consultation fee applies for services provided on or after 1 January 2014. GST should not be charged on the consultation fee.
AA030	Level C Consultation	\$134.00	For further information on the criteria for Level A, B, C & D consultation services, please consult the AMA List of Medical Services and Fees (1 November 2013).
AA040	Level D Consultation	\$205.00	Out-of-hours fees are only payable for emergency attendance and emergency treatment of a worker at a time when the practice is not usually open.
WCO001	Certificate of capacity	\$44.50 (plus GST)	Initial certificate of capacity only One certification fee may be charged for the initial certificate only. No fee is payable for subsequent certificates. To order certificates of capacity phone: WorkCover Publications Hotline 13 10 50
WCO002	Case Conference	\$22.00/ 5 minutes (plus GST) (\$259.00 per hour plus GST)	A fee for the time spent by the medical practitioner in addition to the usual medical management, to assist the worker to stay at or return to work. These rates may cover, for example, discussions with employers, case conferences, visits to worksites, time spent reviewing injury management or return to work plans and additional reports requested from treating doctors. Reports will not be prepaid in whole or part. Reports are to be provided within 10 working days unless a different timeframe has been agreed upon between the parties. Doctors should maintain records of conferences, including the person spoken to, details of discussions and duration of the discussion. No fee is payable for liaison with other health providers involved in the treatment of the injured worker (eg specialist Medical Practitioners, allied health practitioners) unless the communication is additional to that required for the management of patients with comparable injuries/conditions that are not work related.
WCO004	Other medical Items	Cost price	The cost of all bandages and dressings etc.
PHS001	Pharmaceutical Services	Cost price	Payments for pharmaceutical services
WCO005	Medical Records	\$35 (for 33 pages or less). An additional \$1.25 per page if more than 33 pages.	Fee for providing copies of medical records (including treating General Practitioner, Specialist or Surgeon notes and reports)