

Service fee and fee codes for Saskatchewan Workers' Compensation Board primary chiropractic service providers

An intervention is an appropriate WCB coded service provided to the injured worker by the treating practitioner during the acute, sub-acute or chronic phase of the injury. This intervention or service can include the following:

- Initial visit.
- Subsequent visit (biomechanical treatment, movement patterns, myofascial therapy, electrotherapy, advice and reassurance).
- Initial conditioning assessment.
- Individual conditioning instruction.
- Group supervised exercise therapy.
- Functional conditioning.

Interventions are limited to the phases of soft tissue healing (acute, sub-acute and chronic).

Following are the fees payable by the WCB. These fees are payable where the negative response process utilizing the initial report (CHI) and progress/discharge report (CHP) has been followed.

Where a flat rate fee is indicated, the fee is intended to represent the average time required to treat a WCB customer. Where a prorated fee is indicated, the provider will bill to the next higher quarter (1/4) hour. To prepare for electronic invoicing, chiropractors are asked to bill these prorated fees using “units of care” rather than number of treatments or visits. A unit of care = the unit by which the fee is listed below (e.g., a 15-minute fee code (1/4 hour) = 0.25 unit -- fee code 407; $\$81.05/\text{hr}/0.25 = \20.26).

The WCB retains the right to audit the records and invoices of care providers who have provided services to a WCB customer.

| Service | Fee Code | Description | December 1, 2020 to October 31, 2021 | November 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 | July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 | July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 |
|---|----------|-------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Initial visit ¹ | 400 | Per visit. | \$67.45 | \$70.82 | \$71.53 | \$71.53 |
| Subsequent visit | 401 | | \$43.17 | \$45.07 | \$45.52 | \$46.85 |
| Complex case – additional time ² | 429 | | - | \$45.07 | \$45.52 | \$46.85 |
| Emergency visit | 402 | | \$68.65 | \$68.65 | \$68.65 | \$68.65 |
| Initial report with function outcome information (CHI) ³ | 403 | Per report. | \$79.22 | \$79.22 | \$79.22 | \$79.22 |

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| Initial report without functional outcome information ³ | 422 | | \$67.64 | \$67.64 | \$67.64 | \$67.64 |
| Progress/discharge report with functional outcome information (CHP) ³ | 404 | | \$54.42 | \$54.42 | \$54.42 | \$54.42 |
| Progress/discharge report without functional outcome information (CHP) ³ | 423 | | \$43.77 | \$43.77 | \$43.77 | \$43.77 |
| Telephone fee | 405 | Per 10 minutes. | \$23.16 | \$23.16 | \$23.16 | \$23.16 |
| Research fee | 406 | | \$34.50 | \$34.50 | \$34.50 | \$34.50 |
| Return to work plan development and monitoring ⁴ | 407 | Per hour. | \$81.05 | \$81.05 | \$81.05 | \$81.05 |
| Functional conditioning ⁴ | 408 | | \$81.05 | \$81.05 | \$81.05 | \$81.05 |
| Initial conditioning assessment | 409 | | \$104.21 | \$104.21 | \$104.21 | \$104.21 |
| Individual conditioning instruction ⁵ | 410 | | \$34.74 | \$34.74 | \$34.74 | \$34.74 |
| Group supervised exercise therapy | 411 | Per day. | \$17.37 | \$17.37 | \$17.37 | \$17.37 |
| Conference | 412 | Per hour. | \$86.85 | \$86.85 | \$86.85 | \$86.85 |
| Job Site evaluation | 413 | Per hour. | \$86.85 | \$86.85 | \$86.85 | \$86.85 |
| Education | 414 | Per hour divided by number in group. | \$86.85 | \$86.85 | \$86.85 | \$86.85 |
| Functional ability evaluation | 415 | Per hour. | \$81.05 | \$81.05 | \$81.05 | \$81.05 |
| Appliances and supplies | 31 | Cost plus 5% | | | | |
| Orthotics | 31 | As approved by CM | | | | |
| Practitioner RTW form | 424 | Per form. | \$20.27 | \$20.27 | \$20.27 | \$20.27 |
| On-line submission of any WCB reports | 430 | n/a | | | | |
| Response to WCB request for PFI rating information | 427 | Per response. | \$208.42 | \$208.42 | \$208.42 | \$208.42 |
| WCB RHCS4 form | 425 | Per form. | \$36.47 | \$36.47 | \$36.47 | \$36.47 |

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| WCB RHCS4 form: returned within five days of WCB request date | 426 | Perform. | \$28.94 | \$28.94 | \$28.94 | \$28.94 |

Notes:

- ¹ Includes initial assessment plus treatment.
- ² Must meet [complex case criteria](#).
- ³ Commencing January 1, 2017, only online reports will be accepted by the WCB.
- ⁴ Partial units of time should be rounded up to the next ¼ hour.
- ⁵ 1.25 units of care per week may be invoiced as Individual instruction; time spent with the injured worker after that time is billed using fee code 411, though the worker may be the sole attendee.
 - X-rays will be billable using MSP (medical service plan) fee codes and fees.
 - Only one chiropractic subsequent visit service per day will be funded by WCB.
 - Subsequent visits are inclusive of modalities.

Contact numbers:

Medical Accounts Inquiry Line at (306)787-4412 for all billing inquiries.

Manager of Health Care Services, at (306)933-7235 for inquiries concerning:

- Fee and/or service agreement
- Procedure