How to invoice under cost of treatment regulations for medical practitioners, nurses and nurse practitioners

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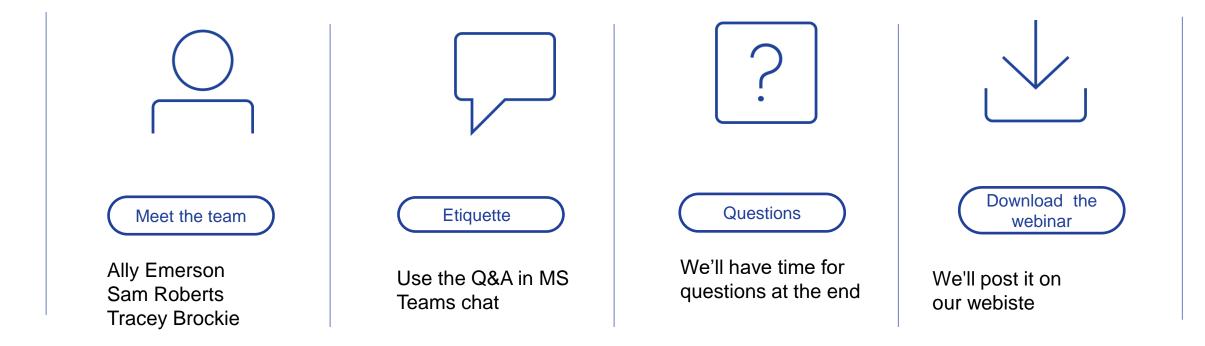


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Welcome

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Cost of treatment regulations

- ✓ legislative requirement for payment
- ✓ reviewed approximately every two years
- contribution towards the cost of treatment

Accident Compensation (Liability to Pay or Contribute to Cost of Treatment) Regulations 2003



About the regulations



GP, Nurse and Nurse Practitioner costs

The regulations set out the amount you can invoice for:

General practitioner, nurse and nurse practitioner costs

- ✓ consultations
- ✓ procedures.





Consultation rates



Consultation rates

The rates are different:

- ✓ who delivers the service
- ✓ if the patient is under 14 years of age
- if the patient is a Community Services Card holder, or a dependent of
- includes treatment for minor procedures

A consultation rate is for an examination or assessment of a client with an injury covered by ACC. In person or by telehealth.



Procedure codes

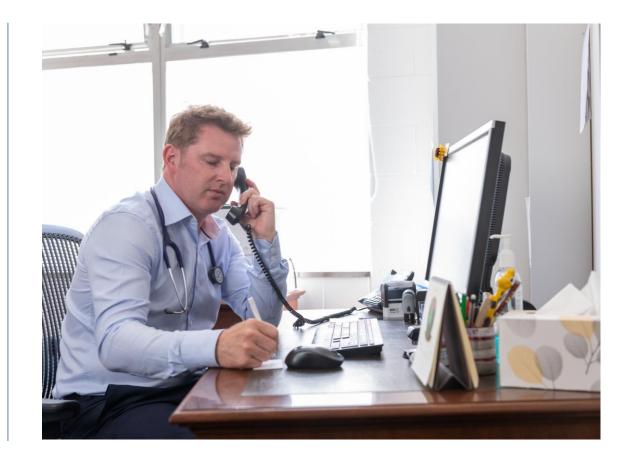


Procedure Codes

Invoiced when the injury requires a significant amount of time and consumables.

- They start with an M for 'management of'.
- ✓ And then a letter to describe the injury type.

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Multiple Procedures

Patients may need more than one procedure.

Invoice:

- ✓ 100% of the most expensive
- ✓ 50% rate for the 2nd and any subsequent.

Where there is more than one claim then invoice the procedure against the correct claim.



Procedure Codes – most common

MW codes for – wound closure using glue, steri-strip or sutures.

MB codes for:

- ✓ burn
- ✓ significant abrasion
- \checkmark wound that can't be closed.





Examples



Multiple procedures for CSW card holder

78-year-old rest home resident Molly walked into a coffee table resulting in injuries to both lower limbs.

The nurse cleans the wounds and applies steri-strips to close a left sided laceration and a dressing to a right sided graze.

Invoice: NCCS plus MW1 and MB3 (50% as it is the lesser cost).





Under 14 years with wound

5-year-old Nixon presents with a 1 cm laceration (right knee).

The nurse assesses, lodges a claim, cleans and debrides the wound, applies steri-strips to close it, and small dressing.

Invoice: NC14 & MW1





Same day treatment

Rangi attended the practice to have a wound sutured.

He returned the same day as was bleeding through the bandage.

The nurse applied additional steri strips, a pad and a bandage and notes the reason for a second visit.

Invoice : NCON (x2). MW1 plus MB3 (50% as it is the lesser cost). Add justification in comments field.





Simple injury & tetanus vaccination

John stepped on a nail at work, resulting in a puncture wound on his right foot.

The nurse cleans the wound, applies a small plaster. A tetanus injection is given by the nurse.

Invoice: NCON only.

Tetanus vaccine is covered by the Ministry of Health.





Multiple claims

Molly has returned with a new burn injury on her right arm.

She also needs follow up for her leg lacerations.

She sees both the nurse and the GP. The GP checks the lacerations from last week as they appear infected and require antibiotics.

A new ACC45 is lodged for the burn.

Invoice: GNCS plus MB2 plus MB3 (50% as it is the lesser cost).





Pātai Questions



Getting help

Cracking the code	
Cracking the code © Read time: 3 mins If you're a general practitioner, nurse, or nurse practitioner, we can contribute to two parts of your treatment services - a consultation rate and a procedure code.	
Consultation rates and codes A consultation rate is for an examination or assessment of	Procedure codes A procedure code is for specific treatments or procedures
a patient with an injury covered by us. This includes: ✓ in-person visits and telehealth consultations ✓ treatment for minor injuries such as superficial burns.	a patient receives during a consultation or visit. Procedure codes can be claimed when a practitioner manages an injury-related need that requires significant amount of time, eg cleaning and debriding wounds, and significant wound dressings.
or grazes Minor procedures eg: remove dressings check for infection redress minor abrasions remove splints or plaster casts.	 MV acdes can be claimed when an open wound is closed using a material such as glue, Steri-Strip, or sutures. This code includes any required cleaning or anesthetisting of the wound before closure and the administration of a terma boater vaccine. M Bic codes can be claimed when monaging a: burn
	 significant abrasion wound that can't be closed but needs significant cleaning or dressing.

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