

Bulletin



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Subject: NEW INTERPROVINCIAL BILLING RATES FOR INPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES AND THE BILLING RATE FOR NEWBORNS EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2006

The Interprovincial Health Insurance Agreements Coordinating Committee (IHIACC) has introduced updated interprovincial hospital billing rates for inpatient per diem rates provided on or after April 1, 2006. Also, please note that the interprovincial billing rate for newborns i.e. payment and billing of services provided on or after April 1, 2006 will be \$309.00. The authorized standard ward per diem rate of the hospital may be billed in the case of a sick newborn.

Regional Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) Finance Managers will provide the new inpatient per diem rates to individual hospitals. The attached document lists the new interprovincial inpatient per diem rates and the newborn billing rate for Ontario hospitals effective April 1, 2006.

In order to efficiently process your hospital's reciprocal billing claims, the ministry requires that all invoices contain your hospital's corporation 3-digit facility number and the correct rate. At this time, consistent with national protocols, given that most provinces and territories reciprocal billing systems only accept the International Statistical Classifications of Diseases ICD-9-CM coding, Ontario hospitals must also submit their claims using ICD-9-CM reporting.

Please share a copy of this Bulletin with your billing department at your hospital. You can contact your local Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care Regional Finance Manager for further information. Any payment inquiries regarding reciprocal hospital billing claims can be addressed to your contact in the ministry's payment program area.

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