
GENERAL NOTICE

NOTICE 217 OF 2013**DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR****COMPENSATION FOR OCCUPATIONAL INJURIES AND DISEASES ACT 1993
(ACT No. 130 OF 1993), AS AMENDED****ANNUAL INCREASE IN MEDICAL TARIFFS FOR MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDERS,
PHARMACIES, AMBULANCES AND HOSPITAL GROUPS**

1. I, Nelisiwe Mildred Oliphant Minister of Labour, hereby give notice that, after consultation with the Compensation Board and acting under powers vested in me by section 97 of the Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act, 1993(Act No.130 of 1993),I prescribe the scale of "Fees for Medical Aid" payable under section 76,inclusive of the General Rule applicable thereto, appearing in the Schedule to this notice, with effect from **1 April 2013**
2. The fees appearing in the Schedule are applicable in respect of services rendered on or after **1 April 2013** and **Exclude VAT**.


N M OLIPHANT

MINISTER OF LABOUR

DATE: *29/01/2013*

GENERAL INFORMATION / ALGEMENE INLIGTING

THE EMPLOYEE AND THE MEDICAL SERVICE PROVIDER

The employee is permitted to freely choose his own service provider e.g. doctor, pharmacy, physiotherapist, hospital, etc. and no interference with this privilege is permitted, as long as it is exercised reasonably and without prejudice to the employee or to the Compensation Fund. The only exception to this rule is in case where an employer, with the approval of the Compensation Fund, provides comprehensive medical aid facilities to his employees, i.e. including hospital, nursing and other services — section 78 of the Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act refers.

In terms of section 42 of the Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act the Compensation Fund may refer an injured employee to a specialist medical practitioner of his choice for a medical examination and report. Special fees are payable when this service is requested.

In the event of a change of medical practitioner attending to a case, the first doctor in attendance will, except where the case is transferred to a specialist, be regarded as the principal. **To avoid disputes regarding the payment for services rendered, medical practitioners should refrain from treating an employee already under treatment by another doctor without consulting / informing the first doctor.** As a general rule, changes of doctor are not favoured by the Compensation Fund, unless sufficient reasons exist.

According to the National Health Act no 61 of 2003, Section 5, a health care provider may not refuse a person emergency medical treatment. Such a medical service provider should not request the Compensation Fund to authorise such treatment before the claim has been submitted to and accepted by the Compensation Fund. **Pre-authorisation of treatment is not possible and no medical expense will be approved if liability for the claim has not been accepted by the Compensation Fund.**

An employee seeks medical advice at his own risk. If an employee represented to a medical service provider that he is entitled to treatment in terms of the Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act, and yet failed to inform the Compensation Commissioner or his employer of any possible grounds for a claim, the Compensation Fund cannot accept responsibility for medical expenses incurred. The Compensation Commissioner could also have reasons not to accept a claim lodged against the Compensation Fund. In such circumstances the employee would be in the same position as any other member of the public regarding payment of his medical expenses.

Please note that from 1 January 2004 a certified copy of an employee's identity document will be required in order for a claim to be registered with the Compensation Fund. If a copy of the identity document is not submitted the claim will not be registered but will be returned to the employer for attachment of a certified copy of the employee's identity document. Furthermore, all supporting documentation submitted to the Compensation Fund must reflect the identity number of the employee. If the identity number is not included such documents can not be processed but will be returned to the sender to add the ID number.

The tariff amounts published in the tariff guides to medical services rendered in terms of the Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act do not include VAT. All accounts for services rendered will be assessed without VAT. Only if it is indicated that the service provider is registered as a VAT vendor and a VAT registration number is provided, will VAT be calculated and added to the payment, without being rounded off.

The only exception is the “per diem” tariffs for Private Hospitals that already include VAT.

Please note that there are VAT exempted codes in the private ambulance tariff structure.

**CLAIMS WITH THE COMPENSATION FUND ARE PROCESSED AS
FOLLOWS •**

EISE TEEN DIE VERGOEDINGSFONDS WORD AS VOLG GEHANTEER

1. New claims are registered by the Compensation Fund and the **employer is notified of the claim number** allocated to the claim. The allocation of a claim number by the Compensation Fund, does not constitute acceptance of liability for a claim, but means that the injury on duty has been reported to and registered by the Compensation Commissioner. Enquiries regarding claim numbers should be directed to the employer and not to the Compensation Fund. The employer will be in the position to provide the claim number for the employee as well as indicate whether the claim has been accepted by the Compensation Fund • *Nuwe eise word geregistreer deur die Vergoedingsfonds en die werkgewer word in kennis gestel van die eisnommer. Navrae aangaande eisnommers moet aan die werkgewer gerig word en nie aan die Vergoedingskommissaris nie. Die werkgewer kan die eisnommer verskaf en ook aandui of die Vergoedingsfonds die eis aanvaar het of nie*
2. If a claim is **accepted** as a COIDA claim, **reasonable medical expenses** will be paid by the Compensation Commissioner • *As 'n eis deur die Vergoedingsfonds aanvaar is, sal redelike mediese koste betaal word deur die Vergoedingsfonds.*
3. If a claim is **rejected (repudiated)**, accounts for services rendered will not be paid by the Compensation Commissioner. The employer and the employee will be informed of this decision and the injured employee will be liable for payment. • *As 'n eis deur die Vergoedingsfonds afgekeur (gerepudieer) word, word rekenings vir dienste gelewer nie deur die Vergoedingsfonds betaal nie. Die betrokke partye insluitend die diensverskaffers word in kennis gestel van die besluit. Die beseerde werknemer is dan aanspreeklik vir betaling van die rekenings.*
4. If **no decision** can be made regarding acceptance of a claim due to inadequate information, the outstanding information will be requested and upon receipt, the claim will again be adjudicated on. Depending on the outcome, the accounts from the service provider will be dealt with as set out in 2 and 3. Please note that there are claims on which a decision might never be taken due to lack of forthcoming information • *Indien geen besluit oor die aanvaarding van 'n eis weens 'n gebrek aan inligting geneem kan word nie, sal die uitstaande inligting aangevra word. Met ontvangs van sulke inligting sal die eis heroorweeg word. Afhangende van die uitslag, sal die rekening gehanteer word soos uiteengeset in punte 1 en 2. Ongelukkig bestaan daar eise waaroor 'n besluit nooit geneem kan word nie aangesien die uitstaande inligting nooit verskaf word nie.*

BILLING PROCEDURE • EISPROSEDURE

1. The **first account** for services rendered for an injured employee (INCLUDING the First Medical Report) must be submitted to the employer who will collate all the necessary documents and submit them to the Compensation Commissioner • *Die eerste rekening (INSLUITEND die Eerste Mediese Verslag) vir dienste gelewer aan 'n beseerde werknemer moet aan die werkgewer gestuur word, wat die nodige dokumentasie sal versamel en dit aan die Vergoedingskommissaris sal voorlê*
2. Subsequent accounts must be submitted or posted to the closest Labour Centre. It is important that all requirements for the submission of accounts, including supporting information, are met • Daaropvolgende rekeninge moet ingedien of gepos word aan die naaste Arbeidsentrum. Dit is belangrik dat al die voorskrifte vir die indien van rekeninge nagekom word, insluitend die voorsiening van stawende dokumentasie
3. If accounts are still outstanding after 60 days following submission, the service provider should complete an enquiry form, W.Cl 20, and submit it ONCE to the Labour Centre. All relevant details regarding Labour Centres are available on the website www.labour.gov.za • *Indien rekenings nog uitstaande is na 60 dae vanaf indiening en ontvangserkenning deur die Vergoedingskommissaris, moet die diensverskaffer 'n navraag vorm, W.Cl 20 voltooi en EENMALIG indien by die Arbeidsentrum. Alle inligting oor Arbeidsentrums is beskikbaar op die webblad www.labour.gov.za*
4. If an account has been **partially paid** with no reason indicated on the remittance advice, a duplicate account with the unpaid services clearly marked can be submitted to the Labour Centre, accompanied by a WCl 20 form. (*see website for example of the form). • *Indien 'n rekening gedeeltelik betaal is met geen rede voorsien op die betaaladvies nie, kan 'n duplikaatrekening met die wanbetaling duidelik aangedui, vergesel van 'n WCl 20 vorm by die Arbeidsentrum ingedien word (*sien webblad vir 'n voorbeeld van die vorm)*
5. **Information NOT to be reflected** on the account: Details of the employee's medical aid and the practice number of the referring practitioner • *Inligting wat NIE aangedui moet word op die rekening nie: Besonderhede van die werknemer se mediese fonds en die verwysende geneesheer se praktyknommer*
6. Service providers **should not generate** • *Diensverskaffers moenie die volgende lewer nie:*
 - a. **Multiple accounts** for services rendered on the **same date** i.e. one account for medication and a second account for other services • *Meer as een rekening vir dienste gelewer op dieselfde datum, bv. medikasie op een rekening en ander dienste op 'n tweede rekening*
 - b. **Accumulative accounts** - submit a separate account for every month • *Aaneenlopende rekeninge –lewer 'n aparte rekening vir elke maand*
 - c. **Accounts on the old documents** (W.Cl 4 / W.Cl 5/ W.Cl 5F) New *First Medical Report (W.Cl 4) and Progress / Final Medical Report (W.Cl 5 / W.Cl 5F) forms

are available. The use of the old reporting forms combined with an account (W.CL11) has been discontinued. **Accounts on the old medical reports will not be processed** • *Rekeninge op die ou voorgeskrewe dokumente van die Vergoedingskommissaris. Nuwe *Eerste Mediese Verslag (W.Cl 4) en Vorderings / Finale Mediese Verslag (W.Cl 5) vorms is beskikbaar. Die vorige verslagvorms gekombineer met die rekening (W.CL11) is vervang. Rekeninge op die ou vorms word nie verwerk nie.*

- * **Examples of the new forms (W.Cl 4 / W.Cl 5 / W.Cl 5F) are available on the website www.labour.gov.za** •
- * *Voorbeelde van die nuwe vorms (W.Cl 4 / W.Cl 5 / W.Cl 5F) is beskikbaar op die webblad www.labour.gov.za*

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCOUNTS RENDERED •
MINIMUM VEREISTES VIR REKENINGE GELEWER

Minimum information to be indicated on accounts submitted to the Compensation Fund • *Minimum besonderhede wat aangedui moet word op rekeninge gelewer aan die Vergoedingsfonds*

- Name of employee and ID number • *Naam van werknemer en ID nommer*
- Name of employer and registration number if available • *Naam van werkgever en registrasienommer indien beskikbaar*
- Compensation Fund claim number • *Vergoedingsfonds eisnommer*
- DATE OF ACCIDENT (not only the service date) • *DATUM VAN BESERING (nie slegs die diensdatum nie)*
- Service provider's reference and **invoice number** • *Diensverskaffer se verwysing of **faktuur nommer***
- The practice number (changes of address should be reported to BHF) • *Die praktyknommer (adresveranderings moet by BHF aangemeld word)*
- VAT registration number (VAT will not be paid if a VAT registration number is not supplied on the account) • *BTW registrasienommer (BTW sal nie betaal word as die BTW registrasienommer nie voorsien word nie)*
- Date of service (the actual service date must be indicated: the invoice date is not acceptable) • *Diensdatum (die werklike diensdatum moet aangedui word: die datum van lewering van die rekening is nie aanvaarbaar nie)*
- Item codes according to the officially published tariff guides • *Item kodes soos aangedui in die amptelik gepubliseerde handleidings tot tariewe*
- Amount claimed per item code and total of account • *Bedrag geëis per itemkode en totaal van rekening.*
- It is important that all requirements for the submission of accounts are met, including supporting information, e.g. • *Dit is belangrik dat alle voorskrifte vir die indien van rekeninge insluitend dokumentasie nagekom word bv.*
 - All pharmacy or medication accounts must be accompanied by the original scripts • *Alle apteekrekenings vir medikasie moet vergesel word van die oorspronklike voorskrifte*
 - The referral notes from the treating practitioner must accompany all other medical service providers' accounts. • *Die verwysingsbriewe van die behandelende geneesheer moet rekeninge van ander mediese diensverskaffers vergesel*

COMPENSATION FUND GUIDE TO FEES FOR BLOOD SERVICES 2013

N.B: The account for blood services must be accompanied by blood requisition form reflecting clinical indications, clinical conditions, number of units required and haemoglobin level.

Item Code	Description	COIDA 2013 Tariffs
10345	Bioplasma FDP - 50ml	259.66
10349	Bioplasma FDP - 200ml	733.72
10351	Haemosolvate Factor VIII 300 IU - 10ml	746.54
10352	Haemosolvate Factor VIII 500 IU - 10ml	1 208.13
10341	Haemosolvate Factor VIII 500 IU:1000 IU - 2 X 10ml	2 348.78
10390	Haemosolvex Factor IX (500 IU) - 10ml	1 452.39
10300	Albusol 4 % - 200ml	281.79
10311	lbusol 20 % - 50ml	316.77
10310	Albusol 20 % - 100ml	543.89
10347	Polygam 1g - 50ml	436.70
10343	Polygam 3g - 100ml	1 103.54
10332	Polygam 6g - 200ml	1 899.50
10338	Polygam 12g - 400ml	3 305.67
10321	Intragam 2ml	94.22
10320	Intragam 5ml	182.41
10337	Tetagam IM 500 IU - 1ml	254.02
10335	Tetagam IM 250 IU - 2ml	116.12
10340	Hebagam IM - 2ml	489.01
10346	Rabigam IM - 2ml	491.50
10348	Vazigam IM - 2ml	445.29
10330	Rhesugam IM - 2ml	468.03
Red Cells		
78040	Red Cell Concentrate	1 588.54
78051	Red Cell Conc. Leucocyte Depleted	2 595.66
78043	Red Cell Conc. Paed. Leucodepleted	1 469.23
Platelets		
78124	Platelet Conc. Single Donor Apherisis	8 300.62
78125	Platelet Conc. Leucocyte Depleted,Pooled	7 402.37
78127	Platelet Concentrate (Paediatric)	2 020.74
78122	Platelet Concentrate Pooled	6 692.88
Whole Blood		
78001	Whole Blood	1 759.29
78059	Whole Blood Leucocyte Depleted	2 766.35
78011	Whole Blood Paediatric	1 468.71
Plasma		
78103	Cryoprecipitate (Fibrinogen Rich)	897.87
78174	Frozen Plasma - Cryo Poor Donor	1 025.36
78002	Quarantine FFP Infant	1 056.39
78176	Fresh Frozen Plasma - Donor Retested	1 233.89

Item Code	Description	COIDA 2013 Tariffs
Diagnostic		
78450	Anti-A Monoclonal 5ml	65.23
78452	Anti-B Monoclonal 5ml	65.23
78454	Anti-A,B Monoclonal 5ml	65.23
78461	Anti-D saline tube & slide monoclonal 5ml	104.00
78467	Anti-D IgM+IgG blend Monoclonal 5ml	109.01
78471	Anti-Human Globulin Polyspecific 5ml	88.11
78478	AB serum 5ml	65.97
78479	Human Complement 2ml	56.94
78482	Lyoph. Bromelin tube & microwell 5ml	53.60
78484	Antibody positive control serum 5ml	57.44
78487	AB serum 20ml	235.53
78488	Group A1 5ml	54.31
78490	Group A2 5ml	54.31
Phathology Services		
78137	Bone Marrow Typing (Serology)	284.67
4763	Blood DNA Extraction	352.99
4428	HLA High res. Class I/II DNA allele	609.03
4427	HLA low res. Class II PCR/DNA Locus DQB/DRB1	778.38
78492	Group B 5ml	54.31
78494	Group O R1R2 5ml	59.51
78496	Group O r 5ml	59.51
78502	Sensitized cells 5ml	72.88
78508	Screen cell set (1 & 2) - 2 X 5ml	143.48
78510	Pooled screen cells - 5ml 60.42	71.96
78516	Panel cell set 9 x 2ml	379.39
78517	Panel cell set 9 x 1ml	189.60
78015	Anti-Human Globulin Polyspecific 15ml	236.12
78018	Group A1 15ml	139.51
78019	Group A2 15ml	139.51
78020	Group B 15ml	139.51
78519	Group O Rh Positive (R1 R2) 15 ml	155.11
78521	Group O r 15ml	155.11
78529	Anti-A Monoclonal 15ml	175.22
78530	Anti-B Monoclonal 15ml	175.22
78531	Anti A,B Monoclonal 15ml	175.22
78536	Screening Cells Pooled	175.66
78522	Group O Screen 1 Cells 15ml	196.53
78523	Group O Screen 2 Cells 15ml	196.53
78524	Panel cell set 9 x 15ml	1 362.11
78525	Sensitized cells 15ml	195.30
78518	Panel cell set 9 x 5 ml	959.21
10580	Packaging	59.73
78004	Whole Blood Reagent	686.63
78012	Buffy Coats	343.32
Blood and Administration		
78199	Blood Filters : 1 Units	
78200	Blood Filters : 2 Units	
78197	Platelet Filter 3 - 6 Unit PL2VAE	
78201	Set, Blood and plasma Recipient Set	
78202	Set, Platelet Recipient	

<u>Item Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>COIDA 2013 Tariffs</u>
Additional Services and Surcharges		
78050	Irradiation Fee	330.87
10210	Transfusion Crossmatch	706.87
10333	Type and Screen	307.28
78400	Routine Collection Fee	139.94
78401	Routine Delivery Fee	139.92
78402	Emergency Round Trip	952.37
78403	Emergency One Way Fee	666.66
78989	Telephone Consultation 18-0130	196.64
78177	FFP Autologous/Directed Fee	139.38
78049	Directed Donation	170.16
78404	<5 Day Rcc	187.47
78405	<5 Day Whole Blood	133.93
78406	After Hours	357.15
78408	Autologous/Directed WB	175.94
78407	Autologous/Directed RCC	158.84
78409	Blood Return Basis	141.52
78410	Emergency Cross-Match	107.75
78411	Foreign	572.83
78412	HLA Match	1 037.62
78413	Rare Donation	1 219.50
78415	Washed RCC/WB	1 016.21
78414	Offsite Charge	1 432.07
78417	Emergency Blood Surcharge	158.86
Transplant Services		
78078	HLA low res.ClassI DNA/Locus A/B/C	1 126.77
4424	HLA Specific Allele DNA-PCR	332.14
4603	HLA Specific locus/Antigen	206.86
4604	HLA Class I	398.36
78024	Panel Typing Antibody Class I	1 526.18
78046	T & B Cell Crossmatch	976.84
78213	Tissue Rapid HBsAg Screen	234.95
78231	Bone Marrow Engraftment Monitoring	1 034.52
78214	Tissue Rapid HIV Screen	321.02
Laboratory Services		
4425	CHE Test	96.59
4757	Additional analysis, Mosaicism/ Staining Procedure	549.13
4522	Alpha Feto Protein(AFP): Amnio Fluid	95.15
	Karyotyping, amniotic Fluid/Chorionic villus	
4755	sample/prod of conception	2 117.92
3932	Anti - HIV	108.02
3712	Antibody Identification	64.79
78013	Antibody identification QC	51.65
3709	Antibody Screen/Antiglobulin Test(DAT & IAT)	27.99
3710	Antibody Titration	55.14
4531	HBsAg/Anti-HCV	110.99
4752	Cell Cult. Chorionic Villus Sample	470.64
4750	Cell Culture, blood/cord blood	141.72
4751	Cell Culture, Products of conception/ Amniotic Fluid	352.99
3729	Cold Agglutinins	27.62
3739	Erythrocyte count	17.27
3764	Grouping : A B O Antigen	27.62

Item Code	Description	COIDA 2013 Tariffs
3765	Grouping : Rh antigen	27.62
3791	Haematocrit	13.81
3762	Haemoglobin	13.81
3953	Haemolysin/Test Tube Agglutination	31.80
4430	HIV p24 antigen	191.50
78921	Human Platelet AG Genotyping	1 446.21
78014	Aneuploidy Detection	1 325.19
4754	Karyotyping, Blood/Cord Blood	1 058.95
3785	Leucocyte Count	13.81
78221	Perinatal Cord	138.11
78225	Perinatal Post-Natal Mother	138.11
4117	Protein : Total	26.20
78922	Rapid CMV Screen	143.39
3834	Red Cell Rh Phenotype	75.86
78230	Human Platelet Antibody Screen	2 090.38
Clinical Services		
78003	Additional Disposal Kit	3 309.06
78054	Autologous Serum Eye Drops	3 086.55
78030	Designated Serum Eye Drops	3 086.55
78005	Chronic wound treatment kit	1 208.87
78007	Platelet growth Factor macular hole repair	1 200.11
78008	Platelet growth factor wound treatment	532.80
78006	Topical Haemostatic Agent	1 439.47
78920	Cord Blood Cryopreservation	7 591.25
78090	Medical Examination & Consultation 18-0141	249.62
78204	Red Cell Exchange	5 583.13
78923	Re-Infusion Of Cryo Preserve Stem Cells	577.62
78926	Stem Cell Collection/Leucopheresis	9 425.06
78928	Stem Cell Cryopreservation	7 591.25
78106	Therapeutic Plasma Exchange	5 848.67
78129	Therapeutic Venesection	60.80
78416	Therapeutic Exchange (DALI)	10 396.37
78211	Thrombocytapheresis	5 638.94
Miscellaneous		
10298	Stabilised Human Serum 5% 250ml	540.24
10299	Stabilised Human Serum 5% 50ml	103.78
78100	Paternity Investigation - 1 Client	1 117.25
78950	Paternity Investigation - 3 Client	3 351.83
78535	Blood Pack For therapeutic Venesection	191.78
78203	Blood Pack with Anticoagulant	84.22
78206	Blood Pack, No Anticoagulant	115.35