

Health and Community Services: Non-Eligibility Tariff Uplift 2023

Introduction

The Health and Community Services (HCS) Non-Eligibility Tariff (“the Tariff”) relates to charges for the use of HCS services by non-eligible patients. This decision seeks approval from the Minister for Health and Social Services (“the Minister”) to approve the recommendation uplifting the tariff by an average of 6.6% from 1st January 2024.

The specialities that are not included in the HRG schedule 2022/2023 tariff will be set at a 6% increase.

Issue

The Tariff applies to patients who are, for example, tourists and non-eligible residents that use HCS services and would be charged to the patient or their insurer. Where a reciprocal health agreement is in place the patient is not charged.

The Tariff was last updated in 2021 and it is now recommended that it is increased to account for medical inflation and similar increases in cost in neighbouring jurisdictions.

The States Assembly in adopting the Anti-Inflation Strategy ([P.125/2000](#)) agreed that increases in States charges should be limited to a maximum of 2.5% a year, with any exceptions, in extremely compelling cases only, to be subject to prior approval by the Finance and Economics Committee (now the Minister for Treasury and Resources).

Recommendation

The Minister is recommended to accept an average 6.6% increase in the Tariff as shown in the accompanying schedule to take effect from 1st January 2024 and a 6% increase for those not included in the HRG schedule. The increases will be subject to approval by the Minister for Treasury and Resources or his delegate.

Resource Implications

It is estimated that this increase will generate £8,000 per annum for HCS.

Schedule of Tariffs

Treatment function description	WF01A	WF01B	WF02A	WF02B	% increase on 2021 Tariff
	Follow Up	First	Follow Up	First	
	Attendance - Single Professional	Attendance - Single Professional	Attendance - Multi Professional	Attendance - Multi Professional	
					6.6%
General Surgery Service	97	226	147	311	4.1%
Urology Service	88	181	118	232	4.0%
Breast Surgery Service	98	233	121	233	3.6%
Colorectal Surgery Service	85	196	128	283	4.8%
Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery Service	143	336	175	455	4.0%
Upper Gastrointestinal Surgery Service	99	233	116	282	3.6%
Vascular Surgery Service	107	243	163	395	4.7%
Spinal Surgery Service	110	277	206	528	9.5%
Trauma and Orthopaedic Service	83	211	92	221	4.5%
Ear Nose and Throat Service	71	167	96	194	9.2%
Ophthalmology Service	80	178	94	195	7.2%
Oral Surgery Service	87	178	136	243	5.3%
Orthodontic Service	94	240	99	240	4.3%
Maxillofacial Surgery Service	88	189	107	271	2.7%
Plastic Surgery Service	75	190	113	227	9.2%
Anaesthetic Service	88	216	147	216	14.3%
Pain Management Service	109	270	139	338	9.3%
Paediatric Urology Service	108	181	184	282	4.0%
Paediatric Trauma and Orthopaedic Service	118	211	142	235	4.5%
Paediatric Ear Nose and Throat Service	86	158	99	189	3.3%
Paediatric Ophthalmology Service	103	174	103	186	4.8%
Paediatric Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Service	169	239	337	477	4.8%
Paediatric Plastic Surgery Service	120	181	185	287	4.0%
Paediatric Epilepsy Service	259	332	259	547	4.1%
Paediatric Gastroenterology Service	202	348	256	413	5.5%
Paediatric Endocrinology Service	215	414	215	414	4.3%
Paediatric Clinical Haematology Service	235	499	255	506	9.2%
Paediatric Dermatology Service	130	195	195	268	4.8%
Paediatric Respiratory Medicine Service	185	347	230	387	6.4%
Paediatric Diabetes Service	282	651	282	651	9.2%
General Internal Medicine Service	136	246	152	329	8.8%
Gastroenterology Service	107	268	150	280	4.7%
Endocrinology Service	124	308	161	345	4.4%
Clinical Haematology Service	163	359	255	485	4.1%
Hepatology Service	191	363	253	454	4.0%
Diabetes Service	132	168	154	256	15.9%
Cardiology Service	118	223	181	297	14.4%
Dermatology Service	92	167	115	237	7.1%
Respiratory Medicine Service	125	281	170	387	4.5%
Respiratory Physiology Service	99	213	99	311	9.2%
Infectious Diseases Service	192	468	201	501	14.7%
Renal Medicine Service	166	228	213	260	9.6%
Medical Oncology Service	168	373	184	376	9.7%
Rheumatology Service	120	353	150	353	4.1%
Paediatric Service	195	289	202	318	8.6%
Elderly Medicine Service	181	384	181	385	9.4%
Gynaecology Service	97	208	123	280	9.5%
Gynaecological Oncology Service	96	199	125	266	4.2%
Clinical Oncology Service	164	354	184	376	4.1%