

## Important Information for Interim Federal Health Program (IFHP) Providers New Telemedicine and Telemetry Services - Manitoba

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Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) wishes to advise providers that the following Telemedicine and Telemetry services will be added to the IFHP Health Care Coverage (HCC), Expanded Health Care Coverage (EHCC), Public Health and Public Safety Health Care Coverage (PHPSHCC) and the coverage for persons detained under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act effective October 1, 2014 and to the IFHP Basic Coverage, Basic Public Health and Public Safety Health Care Coverage (PHPS) and the coverage for persons detained under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act effective November 5, 2014.

Note: The eligibility criteria still apply. Please refer to the IFH program Benefit Grids for more information.

### Telemedicine Services

Benefit Code	Description
8480	Live Telemedicine Service — Receiving Physician Claim rate equal to consultation rate for receiving physician's bloc of practice.
8479	Live Telemedicine Service — Individual Psychotherapy — Receiving Psychiatrist Claim rate equal to individual psychotherapy (psychiatry rate).
8478	Live Telemedicine Service — Psychiatric Care — Receiving Psychiatrist Claim rate equal to psychiatric care rate.
8481	Store and Forward Telemedicine Service — Receiving Physician Claim rate equal to appropriate regional history and examination rate for receiving physician's bloc of practice.
8482	Telemedicine Service (live or store and forward) — Assisting Physician per fifteen (15) minute period or major portion thereof

The Manitoba Physician's Manual is available at:

<http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/documents/physmanual.pdf>



## Telemetry Services

Benefit Code	Description
7920*	Sleep Deprived Recordings Sleep deprived recordings should be performed for at least 40 minutes. This tariff is not to be claimed in addition to studies testing sleep disorders, overnight recording, telemetry or other ambulatory EEG monitoring
7941*	EEG Telemetry — Professional
7942*	EEG Telemetry — Technical
7943*	Ambulatory (12-24 hrs.) EEG — Technical Recording by telemetry or patient monitored recording device. Includes set-up per patient maintenance as necessary, as well as processing
7946	Stereo/EEG intracranial telemetry (SEEG Telemetry) review and interpretation of recordings — per fifteen (15) minutes or major portion thereof
7947*	Video EEG Telemetry — review and interpretation per fifteen (15) minutes or major portion thereof

**Please Note: All claims submitted for payment must be received by Medavie Blue Cross within six months of the date the service was provided to be eligible for payment.**

Should you have any questions or concerns, or require more information regarding the IFHP or Medavie Blue Cross, please call our Customer Information Centre at 1-888-614-1880 or e-mail [CIC\\_Inquiry@medavie.bluecross.ca](mailto:CIC_Inquiry@medavie.bluecross.ca). You may also access the Medavie Blue Cross website at <https://provider.medavie.bluecross.ca> to view Guides, Bulletins and other important information regarding the Interim Federal Health Program.