

Important Information for Interim Federal Health Program (IFHP) Providers New Telemedicine, Telemetry Services and Other Services– Ontario

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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
B100A	First Telemedicine Patient Encounter premium (formerly OTN1)
B200A	Subsequent Telemedicine Patient Encounter premium (formerly OTN2)
B101A	First Cancelled/Missed Telemedicine Patient Encounter premium
B201A	Subsequent Missed/Cancelled Telemedicine Patient Encounter premium
B102A	First Technical Difficulties Abandoned Patient Encounter premium
B202A	Subsequent Technical Difficulties Abandoned Patient Encounter premium

The OHIP billing information for Telemedicine services is available at:
http://otn.ca/sites/default/files/ohip_telemedicine_billing_information_manual.pdf



Telemetry Services

Benefit Code	Description
Radiotelemetry or Portable Recordings	
G542	Technical component
G546	Professional component
House Call Assessment - Pronouncement of Death in the Home	
A902	House call assessment - Pronouncement of death in the home
Certification of Death	
A771	Certification of death
A777	Intermediate assessment - Pronouncement of death (see General Preamble GP18)
C777	Intermediate assessment - Pronouncement of death - subject to the same conditions as A777
C771	Certification of death - subject to the same conditions as A771
W777	Intermediate assessment - Pronouncement of death - subject to the same conditions as A777
W771	Certification of death - subject to same conditions as A771
Visits to Long Term Care/Chronic/Convalescent Care	
W105	Consultation
W911	Special family and general practice consultation - subject to the same conditions as A911
W912	Comprehensive family and general practice consultation - subject to the same conditions as A912
W106	Repeat consultation
W102	Admission assessment - Type 1
W104	Admission assessment - Type 2
W107	Admission assessment - Type 3
W004	General re-assessment of patient in nursing home (per the Nursing Homes Act)
W903	Pre-dental/pre-operative general assessment
W904	Pre-dental/pre-operative assessment
Chronic Care or Convalescent Hospital	
W002	First 4 subsequent visits per patient per month
W001	Additional subsequent visits (maximum 4 per patient per month)
W882	Palliative care (see General Preamble GP34)

Benefit Code	Description
Nursing Home or Home for the Aged	
W003	First 2 subsequent visits per patient per month
W008	Additional subsequent visits (maximum 2 per patient per month)
W872	Palliative care (see General Preamble GP34)
W121	Additional visits due to intercurrent illness (see General Preamble GP33)
Monthly Management of a Nursing Home or Home for the Aged Patient	
W010	Monthly management fee (per patient per month) (see General Preamble GP35 to GP36)

Information on diagnostic and therapeutic procedures is available at:
http://health.gov.on.ca/english/providers/program/ohip/sob/physserv/j_diagth.pdf

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. 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.