



GOVERNMENT OF  
NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

Department of Health and Community Services

# mcp newsletter

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**To: All Physicians, except Anaesthetists**

**Re: 1. Increases to MCP Payments for 2002/2003  
2. New Proration Thresholds**

The parties to the *Memorandum of Understanding* have reached agreement on the following changes to MCP payments for services provided on or after April 1, 2002:

## 1. INCREASES

Specialty	Current Across the Board Increase	As of April 1, 2002	Source of Funding
General Practice	6.84%	11.93%	Allocation for fee increases and disparity money as per the M.O.U.
Psychiatry	6.63%	10.12%	Allocation for fee increases and disparity money as per the M.O.U.
All Other Specialties (except Anaesthesia)	4.23%	6.09%	Allocation for fee increases as per the M.O.U.

These across the board percentage increases will be applied to all fee-for-service, sessional and block funding payments.

**Physicians should continue to bill for services using the rates published in the current MCP Payment Schedule. During claims processing, MCP will increase the fee amounts claimed for services rendered.**

**The across the board percentage increases will remain in effect until such time as the specific fee codes to be increased and the rates are negotiated under the *Memorandum of Understanding*.**

## **2. NEW PRORATION THRESHOLDS**

Proration thresholds will be increased to reflect the across the board percentage increase in effect for both General Practitioners and Specialists during this fiscal year as follows:

	<u>General Practice</u>		<u>Specialist</u>	
	<u>Old Rate</u>	<u>New Rate</u>	<u>Old Rate</u>	<u>New Rate</u>
First Level Fiscal Threshold:	\$ 348,000	\$ 381,000	\$ 444,000	\$ 452,000
Biweekly Payment Threshold:	\$ 13,385	\$ 14,654	\$ 17,077	\$ 17,385
Second Level Fiscal Threshold:	\$ 406,000	\$ 445,000	\$ 499,000	\$ 508,000
Biweekly Payment Threshold:	\$ 15,615	\$ 17,115	\$ 19,192	\$ 19,538

Questions relating to the content of this Newsletter may be directed to the MCP office in Grand Falls-Windsor at 1-800-440-4405 or the Assistant Director of Medical Services at (709) 758-1501.