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**Professional Services Guideline**

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### Introduction

This Guideline is pursuant to section 268.3 (1) of the *Insurance Act* for the purposes of subsections 14 (4), 15 (6), 17 (2) and 24 (2) of the *Statutory Accident Benefits Schedule - Accidents on or After November 1, 1996* (SABS), and applies to expenses for health care services rendered on or after November 1, 2003.

### Purpose

This Guideline sets out the maximum fee payable by automobile insurers under the SABS for the services of any of the health care professions or health care providers listed in this Guideline. These maximum fees are applicable to:

- a medical benefit under clauses 14 (2) (a), (b), or (h) of the SABS;
- a rehabilitation benefit under clauses 15 (5) (a) to (g) or (l) of the SABS;
- case management services under subsection 17 (1) of the SABS; or
- conducting an examination or assessment or provision of a certificate, report or treatment plan under subsection 24 (1) of the SABS.

### Maximum Fees

Automobile insurers are not liable to pay for expenses related to professional services rendered to an insured person that exceed the following maximum hourly rates:

Health Profession or Provider	Maximum Hourly Rate
Chiropractors	\$95.00
Massage Therapists	\$49.00
Occupational Therapists	\$84.00
Physiotherapists	\$84.00
Podiatrists	\$84.00
Psychologists (other than Master's level)	\$126.00
Masters of Psychology	\$93.00
Speech Language Pathologists	\$94.50
Registered Nurses, Registered Practical Nurses and Nurse Practitioners	\$77.00
Unregulated Providers	\$49.00

## Fees for Completion of Forms

Automobile insurers are not liable to pay expenses that exceed the following maximum fees for the completion for certain accident benefit forms by members of the health professions and health care providers listed in this Guideline, (These maximum fees do not apply to the assessments related to the completion of these forms).

Form	Maximum Fee for Completion of Form
Disability Certificate (OCF-3)	\$62
Treatment Plan Form (OCF-18)	\$62
Form 1 - Assessment of Attendant Care Needs	\$62
Automobile Insurance Standard Invoice (OCF-21)	\$0
Application for Approval of an Examination (OCF-22/198)	\$0

## Revoking of Existing Fee, Utilization and Treatment Guidelines

With the release of this Guideline and the revised Pre-Approved Guidelines for Whiplash Associated Disorder Grade I and Grade II Injuries With or Without Complaint of Back Pain, the following guidelines, previously released by the Superintendent of Financial Services, the Ontario Commissioner of Insurance, the Financial Services Commission of Ontario, or the Ontario Insurance Commission are revoked:

- Professional Fee Guidelines - Occupational Therapists, February 3, 2001, *Professional Fee Guideline No. 1/01*
- Occupational Therapy Utilization Guidelines for Uncomplicated Soft Tissue Injuries, February, 3, 2001, *Superintendent's Guideline No 1/01*
- Professional Fee Guideline - Podiatrists, March 9, 1998,
- Professional Fees Guideline - Physiotherapists, November 24, 1997
- Physiotherapy Utilization Guidelines for Soft Tissue Disorders of the Spine, November 24, 1997, *Commissioner's Guideline No.2/97*
- Professional Fee Guidelines - Speech-Language Pathologists, March 31, 2001, *Professional Fee Guideline No.2/01.*

The Professional Fee Guidelines - Psychologists, *Professional Fee Guideline No. 3/01*, issued March 31, 2001, expired on December 31, 2001.