

Group Billing Practices by Province/Territory in Canada (Note: Information is current as of July 6th, 2011, though subject to change at any time.)

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Province/Territory	Allows Group Billing?	Specific Details	Costs
British Columbia ⁱ	Yes	Group Medical Visit Fees can be billable for specialists. Fee code varies by size of group.	Varies by size of group
<u>Saskatchewanⁱⁱ</u>	Yes	Group Counselling of 5 or more patients where the objective is to provide medical expertise regarding the patients' condition, to be billed in the name of one patient initial 15 minutes. Claim must include a note or comment indicating the number of patients involved and the topic. Group visits in a school, hall, auditorium, or other place of assembly or for the purpose of diagnostic screening or immunization not insured unless the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health (SMOH) has been notified prior to the services being rendered and an agreement is entered into between the SMOH and the physician. Includes group counselling.	\$57.30 for Specialist/GP
<u>Yukon Territoryⁱⁱⁱ</u>	Yes	Group visits consist of a <i>minimum of three</i> <i>patients and a minimum time requirement of</i> <i>one hour per visit,</i> to include time spent for preparation and follow up. The physician may elect to split larger groups into smaller, more manageable groups of a minimum of three patients.	\$250.00 Flat Rate
<u>Alberta^{iv}</u>	Yes	Group visits for consultations are insured, e.g. Diabetes.	\$15.62 Per Patient
<u>Manitoba^v</u>	Yes	Was sent group visit tariffs. Ex. Diabetes counselling with group (more than 2 people)	\$25.00 Per Patient
Ontario	No	Blended remuneration models support group visits.	N/A
Quebec	Yes	Doctors meet patients and teach them how to manage chronic conditions, e.g. Diabetes. Minimum 4 patients, 60+ minutes. Maximum 2 teaching sessions per day or 4 teaching sessions per week.	Unknown
Nova Scotia	No	Only counselling.	N/A
New Brunswick	No	Only counselling.	N/A
Prince Edward Island	Yes	Handled as "Case Management Conferences," includes groups of doctors discussing patients and/or groups of visits.	\$40/15 Minutes



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Newfoundland & Labrador	No	Only counselling.	N/A
Northwest Territories	No	Group visits for chronic conditions & chronic condition management is provided by public health authorities.	N/A
Nunavut	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown

ⁱ British Columbia Ministry of Health Services, Medical Services Commission Pay Schedule (General Practice, p. 7-2)

ⁱⁱ Saskatchewan Ministry of Health, Physician Payment Schedule - April 2011 (p. A.18, Code: 680A)

¹¹ Yukon Health and Social Services, Payment Schedule for Yukon, (p. 18, Code: T 1120)

^w Alberta Health and Wellness, Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan Schedule of Benefits, (p. 29, Code: 03.05LA)

^v Manitoba Health, Physician's Manual (p. B-9-B-11, Code: 8473/8474/8493)