

Osteopathy 2009

NATIONAL REFERENCE PRICE LIST FOR SERVICES BY OSTEOPATHS EFFECTIVE FROM 1 JANUARY 2009

The following reference price list is not a set of tariffs that must be applied by medical schemes and/or providers. It is rather intended to serve as a baseline against which medical schemes can individually determine benefit levels and health service providers can individually determine fees charged to patients. Medical schemes may, for example, determine in their rules that their benefit in respect of a particular health service is equivalent to a specified percentage of the national health reference price list. It is especially intended to serve as a basis for negotiation between individual funders and individual health care providers with a view to facilitating agreements which will minimise balance billing against members of medical schemes. Should individual medical schemes wish to determine benefit structures, and individual providers determine fee structures, on some other basis without reference to this list, they may do so as well.

In calculating the prices in this schedule, the following rounding method is used: Values R10 and below rounded to the nearest cent, R10+ rounded to the nearest 10cent. Modifier values are rounded to the nearest cent. When new item prices are calculated, e.g. when applying a modifier, the same rounding scheme should be followed.

VAT EXCLUSIVE PRICES APPEAR IN BRACKETS.

RULES

01	All accounts must be presented with the following information clearly stated: - name of osteopath - qualifications of the osteopath - BHF practice number - Postal address and telephone number - Date on which the service(s) were provided - Applicable item codes - The nature of the treatment - The surname and initials of the member - The first name of the patient - The name of the medical scheme - The membership number of the patient - The name and practice number of the referring practitioner	06.02
02	The fee of more than one procedure performed at the same consultation or visit, shall be the fee for the major procedure plus the fee in respect of each additional procedure, but under no circumstances will additional fees be charged for more than three additional procedures carried out in the treatment of any one condition.	06.02
03	After a series of 10 treatments in respect of one patient for the same condition, the practitioner concerned shall report to the scheme as soon as possible if further treatment is necessary. Payment for treatment in excess of the stipulated number may be granted by the scheme after receipt of a letter from the practitioner concerned, motivating the need for such treatment.	06.02
04	It is recommended that, when such benefits are granted, drugs, consumables and disposable items used during a procedure or issued to a patient on discharge will only be reimbursed if the correct NAPPI code is supplied on the account.	06.02

ITEMS

1. Consultation, Spinal or Joint Manipulation				
Code	Description	Ver	Add	Osteopathy
				RVU Fee
001	Initial consultation/manipulation (fee covering history, examination and treatment)	06.02		16.000 -
	COIDS - Full case history, physical exam & use of diagnostic equipment, but excluding remedies, immobilisation, and manipulative procedure	06.02		
002	Subsequent manipulation/examination (fee covering subsequent examination and treatment / manipulation for the same condition)	06.02		8.000 -
	COIDS - Subsequent consultation & examination not requiring treatment	06.02		
003	Consultation/examination where no treatment is required	09.00		
	COIDS - Spinal or extra-spinal joint manipulation ONLY.	06.02		
600	Lifestyle Advice / Counselling	09.00		5.000 -
2. High Velocity, Low Amplitude Thrust (HVLAT) Techniques				
410	Cervical Spine High Velocity, Low Amplitude Thrust (HVLAT) Techniques	09.00		3.000 -
420	Lumbar Spine High Velocity, Low Amplitude Thrust (HVLAT) Techniques	09.00		4.000 -
430	Peripheral Joint High Velocity, Low Amplitude Thrust (HVLAT) Techniques	09.00		3.000 -
440	Thoracic Spine High Velocity, Low Amplitude Thrust (HVLAT) Techniques	09.00		3.000 -
3. Other Osteopathic Techniques				
510	Cranio-Sacral Osteopathic Technique	09.00		20.000 -
520	General Body Adjustment (GBA)	09.00		22.000 -
530	General Osteopathic Treatment (GOT)	09.00		20.000 -
540	Muscle Energy Techniques (MET)	09.00		5.000 -
550	Passive Joint Articulation	09.00		6.000 -
4. Modalities/Adjunctive Therapy				
Soft Tissue Manipulation				
101	Massage	06.02		10.000 -
103	Myofascial pain therapy	06.02		6.000 -
Superficial Heating Therapy				
121	Hydrocollator/Ice pack - Hot or cold packs	06.02		4.000 -
123	Infra-Red Treatment	09.00		8.000 -
Non-heating Modalities				
145	Ultrasound	06.02		8.000 -
149	Interferential treatment	09.00		10.000 -
155	Vibration therapy	06.02		7.000 -

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161	TENS	06.02		9.000	-
165	Traction: Mechanical/Static, etc.	06.02		10.000	-
Cold Applications					
173	Cold packs	06.02		4.000	-
Therapeutic Exercise					
187	Proprioceptive neuromuscular facilitation	06.02		6.000	-
189	Gait Analysis & Training	09.00		15.000	-
Immobilisation					
203	Supportive strapping, bracing, splinting and taping	06.02		8.000	-