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Reduced Encounter Reporting for Primary Care Physician Contracts -MSP Service Code Grouping

Physicians engaged under either the Group Contract for Practicing Family Physicians (the group contract) and the Individual Contract for New to Practice Physicians (the NTP contract) will submit encounter records to the Medical Services Plan (MSP) / Health Insurance BC (HIBC) via Teleplan. This is in accordance with the requirements, rules and procedures of MSP/HIBC for the direct clinical care services provided under the contract. Any services which are permitted to be billed fee-for-service under these contracts should not be reported through encounter records.

In addition to the group and NTP contracts, other primary care service contracts and salary agreements may also specify the use of the simplified encounter records listed in this document.

Encounter records must include the following information:

- a. MSP Payee Number (must be the clinic payee number established for the contract),
- b. Practitioner number,
- c. Patient's/Client's personal health number (PHN),
- d. Patient's/Client's name,
- e. Date of service,
- f. Encounter code (Appendix A)
- g. International Classification of Diseases (ICD)-9 diagnostic codes (1 code mandatory, 3 maximum),
- h. Location code (A Practitioner's Office in Community),
- i. Note, and
- j. Referring/referred practitioner number (if the physician is referring patient to or receiving a referral from another practitioner).

With respect to the above, physicians will use the list of simplified encounter codes for family physicians provided by MSP/HIBC and outlined in this document, as amended from time to time. For a detailed list of simplified encounter codes, please consult Appendix A.

The simplified encounter codes have been structured around payment schedule service codes, which are groupings of Medical Services Commission (MSC) payment schedule fee items. If there is any confusion about appropriate usage of simplified encounter codes, a fee item encounter code translation table is available in Appendix B.

Start and end times are no longer required as part of encounter record submissions. Start and end time for contract service shifts will be captured using a separate shift code.

For any questions or related to encounter reporting, please contact PCN.compensation@gov.bc.ca

Encounter Code Groupings and Fee Item Descriptions

APPENDIX A

Table 1 illustrates how the MSP service codes associated with the primary care core services outlined in the primary care network (PCN) general practitioner (GP) contract map to the simplified encounter code groupings. Services provided under the PCN GP contract will be reported using the following 18 encounter codes.

Table 1	Table 1. Service Code to Encounter Code Grouping		
Fee Item	Encounter Code Grouping	Service Code Description	
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97501	Complete Examinations	Complete Examinations (0101)	
97502	Complex Care Activities	GPSC - GP Services Committee	
		GPSC II	
97504	Counselling	Counselling (0120)	
97505	Emergency Visits	Emergency Visits	
97506	Immunization	General Services (Non-Invasive Tests, Proc.)	
97507	Institutional Visits	Institutional Visits	
97508	Mental Health Care	General Services (Non-Invasive Tests, Proc.)	
97509	D. C	Minor Surgery, Minor Ther. Procedures	
37303	Minor Surgery/Therapeutic Procedures	Other (Needle Biopsies, 0x99, Etc.)	
97510	Non-Invasive Tests/Procedures	General Services (Non-Invasive Tests, Proc.)	
		Pathology (Category 1)	
97511	Pathology/Diagnostic Activities	Pulmonary Function	
		Electrodiagnosis	
	Visits	Regional Examinations (0100,0107)	
97512		Home Visits	
9/312		Miscellaneous and Other Visits (GP)	
		Visit Premiums	
97513	GP Obstetrics	Obstetrics	
97514	GP Anesthesia	Anesthesia	
97515	GP Consultation	Consultation (0110)	
97516	Telehealth GP Consultation	Consultation (0110)	
97517	Telehealth GP Visit	Regional Examinations (0100,0107)	
97518	Telehealth GP Counselling	Counselling (0120)	
97519	GP Telephone Services (with Provider)	GPSC - GP Services Committee	
		GPSC II	
		Miscellaneous and Other Visits (GP)	
97521	GP Telephone Services (with Patient)	GPSC - GP Services Committee	

Encounter Code Groupings and Fee Item Descriptions

APPENDIX B

Table 2 maps common primary care fee items from the MSC payment schedule to their respective simplified encounter codes.

Table 2. MSC Payment Schedule to Encounter Code Grouping		
Payment Schedule Fee Item	Fee Item Description	
97501 – Cor	nplete Examinations	
12101	Complete Examination In Office (Age 0-1)	
00101	Complete Examination In Office (Age 2-49)	
15301	Complete Examination In Office (Age 50-59)	
16101	Complete Examination In Office (Age 60-69)	
17101	Complete Examination In Office (Age 70-79)	
18101	Complete Examination In Office (Age 80+)	
12201	Complete Examination - Out Of Office (Age 0-1)	
13201	Complete Examination - Out Of Office (Age 2-49)	
15201	Complete Examination - Out Of Office (Age 50-59)	
16201	Complete Examination - Out Of Office (Age 60-69)	
17201	Complete Examination - Out Of Office (Age 70-79)	
18201	Complete Examination - Out Of Office (Age 80+)	
97502 – Cor	nplex Care Activities	
13013	Assessment for Induction of Opioid Agonist Treatment (OAT) for Opioid Use	
	Disorder	
13014	Management of OAT Induction for Opioid Use Disorder	
14044	GP Mental Health Management Fee Age 2-49	
14045	GP Mental Health Management Fee Age 50-59	
14046	GP Mental Health Management Fee Age 60-69	
14047	GP Mental Health Management Fee Age 70-79	
14048	GP Mental Health Management Fee Age 80+	
14075	GP Attachment Complex Care Management Fee	
14076	GP Attachment Telephone Management Fee	
14077	GP Attachment Patient Conference Fee	
14033	Annual Complex Care Management Fee	
14043	GP Mental Health Planning Fee	
14050	GP Annual Chronic Care Incentive-(Diabetes Mellitus)	
14051	GP Annual Chronic Care Incentive-Heart Failure	
14052	GP Annual Chronic Care Incentive-Hypertension	
14053	GP Annual Chronic Care Incentive - Copd	
14063	General Practice Palliative Care Planning Fee	

Table 2. MSC Payment Schedule to Encounter Code Grouping			
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Schedule	Fee Item Description		
Fee Item			
14066	Personal Health Risk Assessment		
97504 – Cou	unselling		
12120	Individual Counselling In Office (Age 0 - 1)		
00120	Individual Counselling In Office (Age 2-49)		
15320	Individual Counselling In Office (Age 50-59)		
16120	Individual Counselling In Office (Age 60 - 69)		
17120	Individual Counselling In Office (Age 70-79)		
18120	Individual Counselling In Office (Age 80+)		
12220	Individual Counselling - Out Of Office (Age 0 - 1)		
13220	Individual Counselling - Out Of Office (Age 2-49)		
15220	Individual Counselling - Out Of Office (Age 50-59)		
16220	Individual Counselling - Out Of Office (Age 60-69)		
17220	Individual Counselling - Out Of Office (Age 70-79)		
18220	Individual Counselling - Out Of Office (Age 80 +)		
00121	Group Counselling-First Full Hour		
00122	Group Counselling-2nd Hour/Per Half Or Major Part		
97505 – Em	ergency Visits		
00111	Visit, Emergency Home		
00112	Visit, Emergency		
00113	On Call, On Site Hospital Visit - Evening		
00123	On Call, On Site Hospital Visit - Sat, Sun Or Hols		
00105	On Call, On Site Hospital Visit - Night		
97506 – Imr	munization		
10010	Immunization-Patient < 19 Yrs-Dtap-P		
10011	Immunization-Patient < 19 Yrs-Dtap-P-Hib		
10012	Immunization-Patient < 19 Yrs - Td		
10013	Immunization-Patient < 19 Yrs-Tdp		
10014	Immunization-Patient < 19 Yrs-Tdap		
10015	Immunization-Patient < 19 Yrs - Flu (Influenza)		
10016	Immunization-Patient < 19 Yrs - Ha (Hepatitis A)		
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10017	Immunization-Patient < 19 Yrs-Hb(Hepatitis B)		
10017 10018	Immunization-Patient < 19 Yrs-Hb(Hepatitis B) Immunization-Patient < 19 Yrs-Hib		
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10018	Immunization-Patient < 19 Yrs-Hib		
10018 10019	Immunization-Patient < 19 Yrs-Hib Immunization - Patient < 19 Yrs-Ipv		

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Payment Schedule Fee Item	Fee Item Description	
10023	Immunization-Patient <19 Yrs-Pneu-C-13 Pneumococal	
10024	Immunization-Patient < 19 Yrs-Pneu-P-23	
10025	Immunization-Patient < 19 Yrs-Rab (Rabies)	
10026	Immunization - Patient < 19 Yrs - Var (Varicella)	
10027	Immunization-Patient < 19Yrs-Infanrix Hexa	
10028	HPV (Human Papillomavirus)	
10029	Immunization-Patient <19 Yrs - Rotavirus, Oral	
10030	MMR/V (Measles, Mumps, Rubella and Varicella)	
97507 – Insti	tutional Visits	
00114	Visit Nursing Home One Or Multiple Patients	
00115	Nursing Home Visit - 1 Patient When Specially Call	
00108	Hospital Visit	
00109	Acute Care Hospital Admission Visit	
00119	Newborn Care, Routine, In Hospital	
00128	Supportive Care Hospital Visit	
13008	Community Based GP: Hospital Visit	
13028	Community Based GP: Supportive Care Hosp Visit	
13109	Community based GP: Acute care hospital admission examination	
13228	Community Based GP: Hospital Visit	
13334	LTC Facility Visit-First Visit Of Day Bonus, Extra	
13338	Community Based GP,1st Fac Visit Of Day Bonus, Extr	
13339	Com Based GP,1st Hosp Visit Of Day Bonus, Extra	
97508 – Men	ital Health Care	
00083	Crisis Intervention	
00065	Mental III-Health-Investigation	
00066	Mental III-Health-Documentation	
00067	Mental III-Health - Voluntary Committal	
97509 – Min	or Surgery / Therapeutic Procedures	
00010	Injection, Intramuscular	
00012	Injection, Venepuncture	
00015	Injection, Intra-Articular - All Other Joints	
00190	Electrosurg./Cryotherapy For Removal Of Warts Etc.	
04305	Venereal Warts, Cautery Or Excision	
13600	Biopsy - Mucosa/Skin (Operation Only)	
13601	Biopsy - Facial Area (Operation Only)	
13605	Abscess - Superficial	

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13610	Minor Laceration Or Foreign Body - No Anaesthesia		
13611	Minor Laceration/Foreign Body Requiring Anaes.		
13620	Excision Tumor Of Skin/Scar Up To 5Cm		
13621	Excision Additional Tumor Of Skin/Scar Up To 5Cm		
13623	Excision Of Tumor Or Small Scar - Face		
13630	Paronychia		
13631	Nail Removal - Simple		
13632	Nail Removal With Destruction Of Nail Bed		
13633	Wedge Excision Of One Nail		
97510 – General Services (Non-Invasive Tests, Procedures)			
00034	Injection Subcutaneous		
00043	Anticoagulation Therapy By Telephone		
14540	Insertion Intrauterine Contraceptive Device		
14560	Routine Pelvic Exam Including Pap		
97511 – Path	ology / Diagnostic Activities		
00117	Ecg Interpretation Only G.P.		
00930	Peak Expiratory Flow Rate		
15039	FP Point of Care (POC) testing for opioid agonist treatment		
15040	FP Point of Care (POC) testing for amphetamines, benzodiazepines,		
	buprenorphine/naloxone, cocaine metabolites, methadone metabolites, opioids		
15100	and oxycodone Glucose - Semiquantitative		
15110	Occult Blood - Feces		
15110	Urinalysis - Screening		
15130	Pregnancy Test, Immunologic, Urine		
97512 – Visit			
12100	Visit In Office (Age 0-1)		
00100	Visit In Office (Age 2 - 49)		
15300	Visit In Office (Age 50-59)		
16100	Visit In Office (Age 60-69)		
17100	Visit In Office (Age 70-79)		
18100	Visit In Office (Age 80+)		
12200	Visit - Out Of Office (Age 0 - 1)		
13200	Visit - Out Of Office (Age 2-49)		
15200	Visit - Out Of Office (Age 50-59)		
16200	Visit - Out Of Office (Age 60-69)		

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17200	Visit - Out Of Office (Age 70-79)		
18200	Visit - Out Of Office (Age 80+)		
00103	Home Visit - Call Placed Between 0800 And 2300hrs		
13015	Hiv/Aids Primary Care Mgmt - Per 1/2 Hr Or		
01200	Call-Out Charge - Evening		
01201	Call-Out Charge - Night		
01202	Call-Out Charge/Saturday, Sunday, Or Stat Holiday		
01205	Surcharge - Nonoperative - Evening		
01206	Surcharge - Nonoperative - Night		
01207	Surcharge - Nonoperative/Weekend And Stat/Holiday		
97513 – GP C	Obstetrics		
14090	Prenatal visit - complete examination		
14091	Prenatal visit – subsequent examination		
14094	Postnatal office visit		
97514 – GP Anesthesia			
13052	Anaes. Evaluation – Non-Certified Anaesthetist		
01172	Anaes. Intensity/Complexity Level 2 – per 15 mins		
01173	Anaes. Intensity/Complexity Level 3 – per 15 mins		
01174	Anaes. Intensity/Complexity Level 4 – per 15 mins		
01175	Anaes. Intensity/Complexity Level 5 – per 15 mins		
01176	Anaes. Intensity/Complexity Level 6 – per 15 mins		
01177	Anaes. Intensity/Complexity Level 7 – per 15 mins		
01178	Anaes. Intensity/Complexity Level 8 – per 15 mins		
01179	Anaes. Intensity/Complexity Level 9 – per 15 mins		
01180	Anaes. Intensity/Complexity Level 10 – per 15 mins		
01181	Anaes. Intensity/Complexity Level 11 – per 15 mins		
01215	Anesthesia Surcharge – Nonoperative – Evening		
01216	Anesthesia Surcharge – Nonoperative – Night		
01217	Anesthesia Surcharge – Nonoperative – Weekend, Stat		
97515 – GP C	Consultation		
12110	Consultation In office (Age 0-1)		
00110	Consultation In office (Age 2-49)		
15310	Consultation In office (Age 50-59)		
16110	Consultation In office (Age 60-69)		
17110	Consultation In office (Age 70-79)		
18110	Consultation In office (Age 80+)		

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12210	Consultation Out of office (Age 0-1)		
13210	Consultation Out of office (Age 2-49)		
15210	Consultation Out of office (Age 50-59)		
16210	Consultation Out of office (Age 60-69)		
17210	Consultation Out of office (Age 70-79)		
18210	Consultation Out of office (Age 80+)		
97516 – Tele	health GP Consultation		
13036	Telehealth GP in-office Consultation		
13016	Telehealth GP out-of-office Consultation		
97517 – Tele	health GP Visit		
13037	Telehealth GP in-office Visit		
13017	Telehealth GP out-of-office Visit		
13020	Telehealth General Practitioner Assistant		
97518 – Tele	health GP Counselling		
13038	Telehealth GP in-office Individual counselling		
13018	Telehealth GP out of office Individual counselling		
13041	Telehealth GP In-office Group Counselling/1st hr		
13042	Telehealth GP In-office Group Counselling/2nd hr		
13021	Telehealth GP Out of office Group Counselling/1st hr		
13022	Telehealth GP Out of office Group Counselling/2nd hr		
97519 – GP T	elephone Services (with Provider)		
14019	GP Advice Fee To Np-Telephone Or In Person		
14018	GP Urgent Telephone Conference With A Specialist		
14021	GP With Specialty Training Tele Advice - Urgent		
14022	GP With Specialty Training Tele Patient Mgmt 1 Wk		
14023	GP With Spec Training Tele Patient Mgmt-Follow Up		
13000	Telephone Advice In First Nations Communities		
13005	Telephone Advice About A Patient In Community Care		
97521 – GP T	elephone Services (with Patient)		
14076	GP Attachment Telephone Management Fee		
14077	GP Attachment Patient Conference Fee		
N/A	All other clinical services provided to patients by phone		