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HEALTH SERVICES (FEES) LAW

(2001 Revision)

Consolidated with the Health Services (Fees) Law (9 of 1993) (part)-revised as the Health Services (Fees) Law (1998 Revision).

Revised under the authority of the Law Revision Law (1999 Revision).

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Law 9 of 1993-21st June, 1993

Law 18 of 1999-24th September, 1999.

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Note (not forming part of the Law): This revision replaces the 1998 Revision which should now be discarded.

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HEALTH SERVICES (FEES) LAW

(2001 Revision)

1. This Law may be cited as the Health Services (Fees) Law (2001 Revision). Short title
2. In this Law- Definitions

“Caymanian” means a person possessing Caymanian status for the purpose of the Immigration Law (2001 Revision); 2001 Revision

“Director of Health Services” includes any person authorised by him to act on his behalf; and

“health care facilities” means the George Town Hospital in Grand Cayman, the Faith Hospital in Cayman Brac and any other public health facility or public hospital established or operated in the Islands by the Government.
3. Except as otherwise provided by this Law, the fees specified in regulations made by the Governor in Council shall be payable by patients of the health care facilities. Fees payable by patients of the health care facilities
4. (1) Subject to subsection (2), a Caymanian ordinarily resident in Cayman Brac or Little Cayman who is a patient at the Faith Hospital in Cayman Brac is liable to pay fees at fifty per cent of the rate specified in regulations made under this Law. Residents of Cayman Brac and Little Cayman

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply in respect of a person who is covered by health care insurance which would otherwise cover the whole cost of any service provided at the Faith Hospital.
5. Subject to section 10, fees are not payable in respect of a patient at a health care facility if the patient has not attained the upper limit of school age as defined in the Education Law (1999 Revision). School children
1999 Revision
6. Subject to section 10, fees are not payable for ante-natal services provided at a health care facility to a Caymanian or his spouse. Ante-natal services
7. Subject to section 10, fees are not payable for contraceptive services including clinics, devices and drugs provided at a health care facility to a Caymanian or his spouse. Contraceptive services

Waiver of fees	8. Fees payable by a patient at a health care facility may be waived, in whole or in part by the Director of Health Services after such assessment as shall be prescribed in regulations has been carried out and if he is satisfied that the patient is unable to pay all or any part of the fees.
Free treatment	9. (1) Subject to subsection (2) and section 10, fees are not payable by a patient at a health care facility if the patient presents a card issued or recognised by the Director of Health Services identifying the patient to be- (a) a public officer or the spouse or a dependent of a public officer (but only to the extent provided in the terms of employment of the public officer); (b) a member of the Cayman Islands Veterans Association or the spouse of such a member; (c) a member of the Veterans' and Seamen's Society of Cayman Brac and Little Cayman, or the spouse of such a member, who satisfies the conditions specified in subsection (2); (d) a member of the Cayman Islands Seafarers' Association, or the spouse of such a member, who satisfies the conditions specified in subsection (2); (e) a person receiving a pension from the Government or the spouse of such a person; (f) a patient who is being investigated or treated for AIDS, tuberculosis or malaria if so certified by the Medical Officer of Health; or (g) a prisoner as defined in the Prisons Law.
Law 14 of 1975	(2) The conditions referred to in paragraphs (c) and (d) of subsection (1) are- (a) the member of the Veterans' and Seamen's Society of Cayman Brac and Little Cayman or the member of the Cayman Islands Seafarers' Association shall be aged fifty-five years or older at the date of requesting treatment; and (b) the patient, or if the patient is the spouse of a member, the member shall have produced written evidence of having been a merchant seaman for a continuous period of at least three years beginning before the 31st December, 1984.
Exemption not to apply in certain circumstances	10. The exemptions from and waiver of fees provided for by sections 5, 6, 7 and 8 and by paragraphs (a) to (e) of section 9(1) do not apply in respect of a person who is covered by health care insurance which would otherwise cover those fees, to the extent that such insurance cover is in force.

11. Fees are not payable-

- (a) by patients for medical examinations carried out at the request of government ministries or portfolios as a condition of engagement as a public officer; or
- (b) for medical examinations or tests certified by the Medical Officer of Health as being conducted in the interests of the public health of the Islands.

Fees not payable for medical examinations carried out for Government

12. Whoever supplies false or misleading information when applying for an exemption, discount or waiver of fees otherwise payable under this Law is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of five thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months.

Offence

13. (1) The Governor in Council may make regulations-

Regulations

- (a) specifying the fees payable under section 3;
- (b) prescribing matters required or permitted by this Law to be prescribed; and
- (c) for carrying the purpose and provisions of this Law into effect.

(2) Regulations made under this Law may provide that the contravention of any provision constitutes an offence and may prescribe penalties for any such offence not exceeding the maximum fine or term of imprisonment prescribed in this Law for any offence under this Law.

(3) Regulations made under paragraph (a) of subsection (1) shall be subject to affirmative resolution.

14. The fees contained in the Schedule shall remain in effect pending the making of regulations regarding fees under section 13.

Fees in Schedule

SCHEDULE

FEES

PART I-Individual Itemised Fees

Section 3

Division 1 - General fees

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1. Hospitalisation (including room, routine medical and nursing services), per day	200
2. Intensive care - per day	300
3. Use of delivery room - per day	300
4. Maternity hospital care - per day	225
5. Neonatal care - per day	250
6. Operating theatre-	
major surgery	350
minor surgery	250
7. Anaesthesia-	
major surgery	200
minor surgery	100
8. Surgeon's fees-	
major surgery	350
minor surgery	250
9. Consultation-in-patient physician's fees	50
10. Hospital clinics-consultation during scheduled hours	25
11. Referral-appointment with specialist	40
12. Emergency room (excluding drugs)-	
Level 1	60
Level 2	100
Level 3	250
Injection	10
Dressing	10
13. Ambulance services-	
emergency	100
transfer	75
transport without special assistance	5 per mile
14. Escorting patient to overseas institution	Full cost to be paid

Division 2 - Administrative Services

15. Medical autopsy and report	700
16. Medical examination report	60
17. Police certificate	10
18. Replacement of registration card	10

Division 3 - Special Services

19.	Laboratory service	}	Fees
20.	Radiology		calculated
21.	Pharmacy		according
22.	Medical supplies		to services
23.	Physiotherapy		provided
24.	ECG and interpretation		25
25.	Foetal monitoring		30
26.	Private duty and special duty nursing		Full cost to be paid
27.	Renal dialysis-		
	residents		200
	visitors		300

Division 4 - Dental Services

28.	Consultation	10
29.	Full examination	25
30.	X-ray- per film	15
31.	Extraction - per unit	25
32.	Impacted tooth	100
33.	Surgical	100
34.	General Anaesthetic-	
	major surgery	200
	minor surgery	100
35.	Prophylaxis	25
36.	Periodontal	80
37.	Silver filling-	
	small	30
	large	50
38.	Filling tooth, coloured	
	small	25
	large	60
39.	Gold filling-	200
	per additional surface	45
40.	Crowns-	
	gold	200
	acrylic	125
41.	Root canal therapy	150
42.	Dentures-	
	upper or lower, full	180
	upper and lower, full	330
	partial upper or lower, acrylic	135 to 180
		(according to the work performed)
	Clasp-	
	steel	Included in denture costs
	gold	Ditto, plus

		cost of gold
	re-line	60
	repair	32
	addition	32
43.	Pin retention	40
44.	Acid etching	25
45.	Fissure sealing	55
46.	Therapeutic dressing	28
47.	Unit of bridgework or single bonded crown	200
48.	Treatment of sensitive cementum - per course	35
49.	Apicoectomy and retrograde root filling	150
50.	Partial chrome-cobalt metal denture	350
51.	Pan-oral X-ray	35

Division 5 - Other Services

52.	Home physician visit	30
53.	District clinic physician visit	15
54.	Home nursing visit	10
55.	District clinic nursing service	5

Division 6 - Provision of Supplies

56.	Provision of drug or medicines or any prosthesis or implants	Cost of obtaining and supplying
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PART 2 - Inclusive Fees-Minor and Intermediate Surgical Cases

Notes:

- (1) *The fee for a service specified in this Part covers -*
 - (a) *the surgeon's fees; and*
 - (b) *the health care facility fees for up to six hours after the operation.*
- (2) *It does not cover -*
 - (a) *biopsy charges unless otherwise stated;*
 - (b) *the cost of any drugs, medicines or any prosthesis or other implant; or*
 - (c) *the health care facility costs after six hours after the operation which will be charged for at the rate of \$25 an hour.*

57.	Minor Surgical Cases	
(1)	Urethral dilatation	300
(2)	Dilatation and curettage	350
(3)	Needle biopsy of testes or liver	350
(4)	Urethral cystoscopy	350
(5)	Oesophagoscopy	350
(6)	Bronchoscopy	400
(7)	Laryngoscopy	400
(8)	Sigmoidoscopy	350

(9)	Gastrosocopy	450
(10)	Colonoscopy	400
(11)	Vasectomy	300
(12)	Excision of warts- general anaesthetic	250
	local anaesthetic	50 to 150 according to the number and size
(13)	Cauterisation of warts- general anaesthetic	250
	local anaesthetic	100
(14)	Anal dilatation	200
(15)	Excision of small lipoma (up to 3 in number)- general anaesthetic	250
	local anaesthetic	150
(16)	Excision pytergium of the eyes- with grafts	250
	otherwise	150
(17)	Excision chalazin (meibomian cyst)	250
(18)	Myringotomy	250
(19)	Frenulectomy	150
(20)	Dental extractions- general anaesthetic- under 30 minutes	125
	30 minutes or over	200
(21)	I and D Bartolin's cyst- without excision of sac	200
	with excision of cyst	250
(22)	Steinmann's pinning-anterior tibia- general anaesthetic	150
	local anaesthetic	100
(23)	Plaster of paris-hand, arm or leg	100
(24)	Closed reduction of fractured wrist or ankle with plaster of paris	250
(25)	Closed manipulation of dislocated hip or shoulder	350
(26)	Epidural- pain therapy (under 2 hours)	150
(27)	Release of carpal tunnel syndrome	350
(28)	Excision of ganglion	350
(29)	Release of Dupuytren's contracture	350
(30)	Bilateral antral sinus washout	300
(31)	Adenoidectomy	250
(32)	Circumcision- new-born	50
	under 12 months	150
	over 1 year or over	200
(33)	Examination under anaesthesia	200
58.	Intermediate Surgical Cases	
(1)	Insertion of shirodkar suture of cervix	350
(2)	Excision lipomas (more than 3)- general anaesthetic	300
	local anaesthetic	150
(3)	Sub-mucous resection of nasal turbinates	350

(4)	Tonsillectomy and adenoidectomy	350
(5)	Tonsillectomy	300
(6)	Iridectomy	250
(7)	Correction of ectropian	250
(8)	Extraction of cataract	550
(9)	Dental fillings: general anaesthetic	
	30 minutes or under	200
	over 30 minutes	350
(10)	Excision of breast lump including cost of biopsy	400
(11)	Microductectomy of breast	300
(12)	Hip spica plaster of paris	200
(13)	Debridement of wounds- general anaesthetic-	
	up to one hour	200
	each hour thereafter	50
(14)	Removal of foreign body from foot or hand	250
(15)	Incision of drainage and irrigation of the knee	300
(16)	Hydrocelectomy	350
(17)	Varicocelectomy	300
(18)	Untwisting of torsion testes	350
(19)	Orchidopexy-	
	single	350
	double	400
(20)	Removal of cyst of the epididymis	250
(21)	Haemorrhoidectomy-	
	general anaesthetic	350
	local anaesthetic	250
(22)	Tubal ligation	400
(23)	Supra-pubic cystectomy	300
(24)	Amputation of finger or toe	250
(25)	Plastic repair of tip of finger or toe	200
(26)	Tracheostomy	350
(27)	Fistulectomy	400
(28)	Skin graft-	
	first hour	300
	each hour thereafter	100
(29)	Rhinoseptoplasty	400
(30)	Removal of foreign body from throat or oesophagus-	
	first hour	400
	each hour thereafter	100
(31)	Appendectomy	350
(32)	Herniotomy (no children)	300

PART 3 - Inclusive Fees-Major Cases

Notes:

- (1) The fee for a service specified in this Part covers -
 - (a) the surgeon's fees; and
 - (b) use of the operating theatre.
- (2) It does not cover -
 - (a) hospitalisation;
 - (b) biopsy charges;
 - (c) the cost of any drugs, medicines or any prosthesis or other implants; or
 - (d) anaesthesia charges which will be charged at the rate of \$100 plus \$50 for each half hour or part of a half hour after the first hour.
- (3) If a doctor's or surgeon's assistant is provided an additional fee of \$50 for each hour or part of an hour during which he is provided will be charged.

59.	Major surgical cases-	
(1)	Vaginal hysterectomy	600
(2)	Gastrectomy with anastomosis	600
(3)	Bowel resection	600
(4)	Nephrectomy	700
(5)	Mastectomy-	
	local	400
	radical	600
(6)	Craniotomy burr holes-	
	first hour	500
	each hour thereafter	100
(7)	Tuboplasty	500
(8)	Embolectomy-	
	first hour	500
	each hour thereafter	100
(9)	Osteotomy bone	250
(10)	Arthroscopy	
	without shaving	400
	with shaving	500
(11)	Trans urethral resection of the prostate	500
(12)	Cholecystectomy with operative cholangiogram	500
(13)	Open reduction of fractured hip-	
	Smith Petersen pin and plate	500
(14)	Hip compression	500
(15)	Austin Moore hip replacement	500
(16)	Open reduction of fractured femur - K-nail insertion	400
(17)	Open reduction of fracture - radius and ulna or tibia and fibula using rush rods	300
(18)	Open reduction of fracture- radius and ulna or tibia and fibula using K-wire	300
(19)	Open reduction of fracture- radius and ulna or tibia and fibula using stainless steel	300
(20)	Open reduction of fracture radius and ulna or tibia and fibula using plate and screws	300
60.	Major other cases	

(1)	Dental restoration-	
	under 1 hour	200
	1 hour or over	360
(2)	Ovarian cystectomy	350
(3)	Caesarean section-including midwife and paediatrician	500
(4)	Cholecystectomy	400
(5)	Ventral suspension of uterus	350
(6)	Patellectomy	400
(7)	Splenectomy	500
(8)	Laparotomy	400
(9)	Laparotomy for ectopic pregnancy	500
(10)	Closure of colostomy	350
(11)	Open reduction of fracture of metacarpal or phalange, tarsal or materials including plates, screws, etc.	400
(12)	Amputation of limb-arm or leg	600
(13)	Myomectomy	400
(14)	Thyroidectomy	500
(15)	Anterior colporrhaphy	350
(16)	Posterior colporrhaphy	350
(17)	(15) and (16) combined	500
(18)	Dermolipectomy:	
	first hour	500
	each hour thereafter	100
(19)	Wiring of fractured mandible	350
(20)	Bunionectomy-	
	one	350
	two	500
(21)	Tendon and blood vessel repair	500
(22)	Stripping of varicose veins -legs-	
	first hour	300
	each hour thereafter	100
(23)	Hernia repair-	
	umbilical	250
	single side	300
	both sides	500
(24)	Cataract extraction	550
(25)	Cataract extraction with implant	600
(26)	Mammary reduction	500
(27)	Insertion of implant in breast	400
(28)	Insertion of implant in breast after previous surgery	500
(29)	Abdominal hysterectomy	500
(30)	Corneal transplant	800

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Carmena Watler
Clerk of Executive Council

Notes (not forming part of the Law):

- 1. As at 26th January, 2001, no regulations had been made under section 13 and the fees specified in the Schedule still applied.*
- 2. By notice dated 29th October, 1992 and published in Gazette No. 23 of 16th November, 1992, H.E. the Governor confirmed that, under section 5 of the Interpretation Law (1995 Revision), the person for the time being carrying out the duties of the office of Medical Officer of Health is the Government Chief Medical Officer.*