

G.N. 2028

The fees set out in G.N. (S.) 202 of 1996 to S. S. No. 4 to Gazette No. 42/1996 and G.N. 2812 to Gazette No. 24/1998 will be superseded by the following with effect from 1 April 2003.

LIST OF CHARGES

- 1.1 A list of charges payable at Government polyclinics, clinics, dispensaries and other institutions with effect from 1 April 2003 is given below.
- 1.2 Patients falling into the following categories are eligible for the rates of charges applicable to the Eligible Persons:—
 - (i) a holder of Hong Kong Identity Card issued under the Registration of Persons Ordinance;
 - (ii) children who are Hong Kong residents and under 11 years of age;
 - (iii) other persons approved by the Director of Health.
- 1.3 For other patients, the rates of charges applicable to the Non-eligible Persons will apply. The Director of Health will determine the eligibility of patients to whom the rates of charges will apply.
- 1.4 The Director of Health has powers to require a deposit of part or the whole of the fees likely to be incurred by any patient.
- 1.5 Unless otherwise specified or agreed by the Director of Health, all charges specified in this notice are payable in advance or on demand by the Director of Health.
- 1.6 The Director of Health has powers, in his discretion to waive, reduce or remit the whole or any part of the fees chargeable at any institution under his control or for the service of a Consultant or a Medical Officer outside a Government institution.

OUTPATIENT SERVICES

2 (A) Eligible Persons:—

	\$
(a) Attendance at a general clinic	45
(b) Attendance at a specialist clinic, Child Assessment Centre, Genetic Counselling Clinic and Human Immuno-deficiency Virus Clinic	
• first attendance	100
• subsequent attendance	60
(c) Attendance at a clinic for injection and dressing	17
(d) Attendance at a methadone clinic for methadone treatment	1
(e) Attendance at a family planning clinic	1
(f) Attendance at Social Hygiene and Special Skin Clinics for any investigation or treatment relating to sexually transmitted diseases or leprosy, Maternal and Child Health Centres and Tuberculosis and Chest Clinics	No charge
(g) Prescriptions relating to attendance at a specialist clinic, Child Assessment Centre, Genetic Counselling Clinic and Human Immuno-deficiency Virus Clinic as from 1 May, 2003 (subject to Exco's endorsement)	\$10 per item

Note:—The above charges given at (a), (d) and (e) above include, where appropriate, the costs of prescriptions, X-ray and laboratory investigations.

—The charge at (b) above includes, where appropriate, the cost of X-ray and laboratory investigations.

(B) Non-eligible Persons:—

	\$
(a) Attendance at a general clinic	215
(b) Attendance at a specialist clinic	700
(c) Attendance at a Child Assessment Centre	3,460

(d) Attendance at a Genetic Counselling Clinic	\$700 plus actual cost of special investigations as determined by the medical officer attending the patient
(e) Attendance at a Human Immuno-deficiency Virus Clinic	\$1,910 plus actual drug and pathology cost as determined by the medical officer attending the patient
(f) Attendance at Social Hygiene and Special Skin Clinics for treatment relating to sexually transmitted diseases or leprosy	700
(g) Attendance at a clinic for injection and dressing	70
(h) Attendance at a methadone clinic for methadone treatment	23
(i) Attendance at a Maternal and Child Health Centre	
(i) Child health services	365
(ii) Family planning services	235
(iii) Maternal health services	700
(j) Attendance at Tuberculosis and Chest clinic	No charge

Note: The above charges, except for items (e) and (g), include, where appropriate, the costs of prescriptions, X-ray and laboratory investigations other than special investigations for clinical genetics.

ELDERLY HEALTH SERVICES

3 (A) Eligible Persons:—

	\$
(a) Annual fee for each person enrolled at an elderly health centre for health screening and health promotion services	110
(b) Each attendance for medical treatment	45
(c) Each attendance for injection and dressing	17

Note: The charge at (b) above includes, where appropriate, the costs of prescriptions, X-ray and laboratory investigations.

(B) Non-eligible Persons:—

	\$
(a) Annual fee for each person enrolled at an elderly health centre for health screening and health promotion services	770
(b) Each attendance for medical treatment	335
(c) Each attendance for injection and dressing	70

Note: The charge at (b) above includes, where appropriate, the costs of prescriptions, X-ray and laboratory investigations.

WOMAN HEALTH SERVICES

4 (A) Eligible Persons:—

	\$
(a) Annual fee for each person enrolled for health screening (excluding mammography) and health promotion services	310
(b) Each and extra mammography at a woman health centre	225

(B) Non-eligible Persons:

	\$
(a) Annual fee for each person enrolled for health screening (excluding mammography) and health promotion services	850
(b) Each and extra mammography at a woman health centre	510

DENTAL SERVICES

Notes

5.1 The categories of patients eligible for dental treatment at Government dental clinics and Government dental units in Hospital Authority hospitals are as follows:—

- (1) Persons in need of emergency treatment
- (2) Patients requiring dental treatment as an essential part of their medical treatment

5.2 (A) Eligible Persons:—

	\$
(a) Emergency treatment (includes extractions and other oral surgical emergencies)	No charge
(b) Prosthetic appliances	
(i) Acrylic denture, per tooth **	43
(Maximum for one jaw denture of more than 5 teeth)	375
(Minimum for one jaw denture of one to five teeth)	190
(ii) Remodelling of denture	80
(iii) Repairing/Relining of denture	73
(iv) Addition of teeth, per tooth	43
(Maximum for one jaw denture)	80
(v) Obturator**	\$43 per tooth plus \$125
(vi) Maxillo-facial prostheses	\$280–545
(vii) Other maxillo-facial appliances Splints; applicators for radiotherapy; occlusion appliances, etc.	No charge

** For chrome-cobalt appliances, the charges are doubled.

(c) Other treatment including conservative treatment, periodontal treatment and oral surgical treatment considered to be essential to the treatment of the patient by the attending dental officer	No charge
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(B) Non-eligible Persons:—

	\$
(a) Emergency treatment (includes extractions and other oral surgical emergencies)	700

Note: The above charge includes, where appropriate, the costs of prescriptions, X-ray and laboratory investigations.

(b) Prosthetic appliances	\$
(i) Fixed Appliance	
(i) Gold-(Crown/Inlay/Onlay/Bridge) per unit	1,430
(ii) Porcelain-(Crown/Bridge) per unit	1,840
(iii) Maryland Bridge	
—per porcelain unit	1,840
—per metal unit	520
(ii) Removable Appliance	
(i) Chrome-Cobalt Denture	2,420
—Metal Frame	plus \$50 per tooth
(ii) Acrylic Denture	1,060
—Base	plus \$50 per tooth
(iii) Obturators	1,260
—Base	plus \$50 per tooth
(iv) Repair/Reline/Addition	255
	plus \$50 per tooth

(iii) Implantology	
(i) Infrastructure—per implant	2,100
(ii) Suprastructure—per crown unit	2,540
—per denture	4,180
(iv) Maxillo-facial prostheses and other maxillo-facial appliances	} At cost as determined by the dental officers attending the patient
(e) Other treatment including conservative treatment, periodontal treatment and oral surgical treatment considered to be essential to the treatment of the patient by the attending dental officer	

CHEST RADIOGRAPHIC SURVEYS

- 6 (A) A fee of \$88 per person is charged for Chest radiographic surveys or examinations.
 (B) No charge is made for the examination of patients attending the Government Tuberculosis and Chest clinic.

Notes:—

- (1) All films remain to be the property of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region but they will be made available on loan to the medical practitioner attending the case on application to the Consultant Chest Physician i/c of the Tuberculosis and Chest Service.
- (2) When an X-ray examination has to be repeated due to some technical failure, or for further views in the same area before a diagnosis can be arrived at, there will be no extra charge.
- (3) When an X-ray examination has to be repeated in order to verify the progress of the patient, the charge will be half the original charge.

LABORATORY SERVICES

Notes

- 7.1 (1) Request forms in duplicate should be properly filled in and signed. Full particulars of the examinations required, the nature of specimen submitted and brief clinical notes are required. These requests should be addressed to the Consultant Pathologists, Department of Health. Unless otherwise specified or agreed by the Consultant Pathologists, all charges specified below are payable in advance or on demand.
- (2) The Consultant Pathologists may refuse any sample.
 - (3) Samples submitted for examination will remain the property of the Government and may be disposed of in any way considered suitable by the Consultant Pathologists.
 - (4) Government will not recognize any claims arising from the results of any examination.
 - (5) Other special tests not listed below will be determined by the Consultant Pathologists according to the actual cost of the test.
 - (6) Specimens for laboratory testing must be referred from registered medical practitioners.
- 7.2 (A) Bacteriology (Clinical)

	\$
Agglutination test: ASOT, Weil-Felix	350
Serological test for bacterial & mycotic infections	370

Note: Examinations for typhoid, brucellosis, diphtheria, meningococcal meningitis, cholera and plague are free of charge.

- (B) Mycobacteriology
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| Culture for AFB in sputum | 91 |
| Drug sensitivity test minimum charge (determination of MIC for 3 drugs) | 260 |
| Drug sensitivity test (MIC) for each additional drug | 120 |
| Microscopic examination for AFB in sputum, urine, pus etc. | 55 |

Positive culture slope for identification of TB only	130
Positive culture slope for identification of TB & typing of other mycobacteria	1,120
(C) Bacteriology (Public Health)	
Bacteriological examination of water, milk, ice cream and other dairy products:—	
Formal	430
Informal	330
Bacteriological examination of food products:—	
Complaint cases	1,530
Other samples	1,480
(D) Chemical Pathology	
Alanine aminotransferase (ALT)	41
Thyroid stimulating hormone (TSH)	54
Thyroxin, free (T4, free)	59
Triiodothyronine, free (T3, free)	68
(E) Haematology and Serology	
Fluorescent treponema antibody absorption test (FTA-ABS)	205
Glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase activity (G6PD)—(quantitative)	66
HLA B27 typing	880
Lymphocyte T4: T8 count	1,010
Red cell folate	100
Serum folate	75
Serum, Vitamin B12	76
TPHA	130
V.D.R.L. test for syphilis (quantitative)	135
(F) Virology	
Antibody titre to single antigen	135
Culture for Chlamydia	210
Electron Microscopy	470
Hepatitis A antibody, IgM	170
Hepatitis B core antibody including IgM	175
Hepatitis B e antigen and antibody	120
Hepatitis B surface antibody	110
Hepatitis B surface antigen	120
Hepatitis C antibody	120
Hepatitis D antibody	200
Hepatitis E antibody	235
HTLV 1 antibody	140
Immunofluorescence test for single antigen (e.g. RSV, chlamydia)	220
PCR for virus	760
Serological Profile test for virus infection (2-6 Antigens)	255
Serological Profile test for virus infection (More than 6 Antigens)	345
Virus isolation	550
Virus isolation (Herpes simplex only)	190
Assay for Antibody to Human Immuno-Deficiency Virus (HIV 1 & 2)	245

Note: Confirmatory HIV antibody test on specimens received from private registered practitioners are free of charge on the conditions that:—

- (i) Only specimens tested positive by 2 ELISA tests are accepted, i.e. the free test offered is for confirmation and not a preliminary screening test, and
- (ii) All referrals have to be channelled through private registered medical practitioners.

Note: Examinations for poliomyelitis, smallpox, rabies, Japanese B encephalitis, Dengue and Hantaan viruses are free of charge.

(G) The above charges include the issue of one copy of the report of examination.

MISCELLANEOUS

- 8 (A) No charge is made for attendance at the following clinics having maternity wards:—
Tai O Clinic
North Lamma Clinic
Peng Chau Clinic
- (B) For certificates issued in connection with the fitness or unfitness of patients or others to perform their duty, no charge is made. For certificates and medical reports for insurance and other purposes and for post-mortem reports, a charge from \$510-\$3,040 will be made. Full payment must be made at the time the certificates or medical reports are requested. No refund of the charges for certificates or medical reports will be made if the request is withdrawn before the certificates or medical reports are issued. The charge will be determined by the attending medical officer or consultant preparing the report. If a further examination is required before a certificate can be issued, the normal consultation fee will be charged in addition.
- (C) For examination by the Medical Examination Board (including X-ray of chest with the right to retain the negative) and the issue of a certificate of fitness or unfitness, an inclusive charge of \$705 will be made.
- (D) For personnel radiation monitoring service, the following fees will be charged:—
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| (i) Dosemeter cum holder | 240 |
| (ii) Personnel radiation monitoring services per person per year | 370 |
- (E) For the services of a Government consultant or a medical officer outside a Government institution, the normal fees for consultations plus an addition of 50% will be charged.
- (F) For the issue of a detailed transcript of the course of training for a member of the Nursing grade in ex-Government hospitals and clinics, required for employment or training purposes in other hospitals or institutions, a charge of \$385 will be made for each transcript.
- (G) When a private medical practitioner requires a duplicate copy of an X-ray film, a charge of \$230 will be made for each copy. When such copies are required prior notification must be given. The Director of Health reserves the right to refuse any request for such duplicate copies at his discretion.