

Patient Guide to Fees and Charges for Non-NHS Services and Vaccinations V4.0

Why do GPs charge Fees, isn't the NHS supposed to be free?

The National Health Service provides most health care to most people free of charge, but there are exceptions: prescription charges have existed since 1951 and there are a number of other services for which fees are charged. Sometimes the charge is made because the service is not covered by the NHS, for example, providing copies of health records or producing medical reports for insurance companies.

Surely the doctor is being paid anyway?

GPs are not employed by the NHS; they are self-employed and have to cover their costs staff, buildings, heating etc - in the same way as any small business. The NHS covers these costs for NHS work, but not for non-NHS work.

What is covered by the NHS and what is not?

The Government's contract with GPs covers medical services to NHS patients, including the provision of ongoing medical treatment. In recent years, however, more and more organisations have been involving doctors in a whole range of non-medical work. Sometimes the only reason that GPs are asked is because they are in a position of trust in the community, or because an insurance company or employer wants to ensure that information provided to them is true and accurate.

Making Payments

We only accept cash and cheque at the practice before the work is undertaken. For medicals we require payment at the time of booking. For non-patients cheques must be supported by a cheque guarantee card. Please make your payment at reception.

Our Charges

Medicals	Charge
Private medical (30 mins)+ report cost	£100.00
Pre-employment medical (30 mins)	£120.00
LGV/HGV/ Taxi medical (30 mins)	£140.00
Emigration medical (30 mins)	£100.00
Adoption Medical (20 mins per parent)	£75.00 pp
ECG (nurse 20 mins)	£130.00
Elderly driver medical (20 mins)	£60.00
Sports medical (20 mins)	£60.00
Other Medicals (15 mins)	£50.00

Private Consultations	Charge
GP Consultation (10 mins) – <i>Please note that we are not able to see patients registered with our practice privately for routine consultations</i>	£60.00
GP Home Visit	£200.00
Nurse Consultation (10 mins)	£30.00

Blood Test Appointment * (10 mins)	£25.00
Minor Operation	£250.00

* Excluding private laboratory charges from University Hospitals of Leicester

Private Prescriptions	Charge
Private Prescription	£20.00

Vaccinations (price per single dose + private consultation charge)	Charge
Yellow Fever (including certificate)	£65.00
Meningitis ACWY	£75.00
Hepatitis B*	£40.00
Rabies*	£45.00
Japanese Encephalitis (2 doses required)	£90.00
Tick-borne Encephalitis**	£63.00
Cholera	£0.00 ***
Typhoid	£0.00 ***
Hepatitis A	£0.00 ***
Revaxis (Dip/Tet/Polio)	£0.00 ***
* Course of 3 doses required	
** Min of 2 doses required	
*** For NHS patients only – charges are payable for private patients. Contact surgery for details.	

Insurance Reports	Charge
GPR Insurance Report	£100.00
Written Report (Standard)	£100.00
Written Report (Detailed)	£200.00
Holiday Cancellation Form	£35.00

GP Letters/ Other Reports	Charge
TWIMC Letter (Short Letter)	£20.00
TWIMC Letter (Long Letter)	£40.00
Form requiring GP Signature	£20.00
DVLA Medical Questionnaire	£40.00
DVLA Medical Examination	£85.00
Ofsted Report	£40.00
DWP Form	£0.00

Medical Records	Charge
Copy of Medical Records requested under DGPR	£0.00
Immunisations Print Out requested under DGPR	£0.00
Results Print Out requested under DGPR	£0.00
Problem list Print Out requested under DGPR	£0.00
Immunisations Print Out with Paper Notes Review	£30.00

Services Not Offered at the Practice	Charge
Fit to Forms (Statement of facts may be offered)	£75.00
Firearms Certificates	N/A
Capacity Assessments	N/A