

## MSI News

### PRIMARY CARE INVESTMENTS UPDATE – COMPREHENSIVE AND CONTINUOUS CARE

In March 2018 the Department of Health and Wellness announced increased investment in services provided by family physicians that practice full scope family medicine and are responsible for the comprehensive and continuous care of their patients. This investment has necessitated that new fees be implemented. In follow up to the May 17<sup>th</sup> 2018 bulletin, the following fees are also included in that primary care investment (details below). The health service codes will be available as of June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Once the health service codes become available we ask physicians to bill as usual. Any claims eligible for the enhanced fee value that were submitted between April 1<sup>st</sup> and June 15<sup>th</sup> will later be identified, and a retroactive payment will be provided to physicians.

Category	Code	Description	Base Units
VIST	03.03	<b>Office Visit (Well Baby Care) – Comprehensive and Continuous Care</b>	
		ME=CARE, RO=WBCR, (RF=REFD)	14.76 MSU
		ME=CARE, RO=WBCR, TI=GPEW, (RF=REFD)	18.45 MSU
		<b>Office Visit (Prenatal) – Comprehensive and Continuous Care</b>	
		ME=CARE, RO=ANTL, RP=SUBS (RF=REFD)	14.76 MSU
		ME=CARE, RO=ANTL, TI=GPEW, RP=SUBS (RF=REFD)	18.45 MSU
		<b>Extra Patient to: Urgent Care Codes – Comprehensive and Continuous Care</b>	
		ME=CARE, PT=EXPT, US=UNOF (RF=REFD)	11.9 MSU
		<b>Billing Guidelines</b>	
		By “full scope family medicine” it is meant that the physician has an ongoing relationship as a primary care provider to their patients and ensures their patients’ continuity of care. These enhanced fees are not intended for episodic care provided to walk-in patients. The submission of a Physician Confirmation Letter is required to successfully use these enhanced fees.	
		<b>Specialty Restriction</b>	
		GENP	
		<b>Location</b>	
		OFFICE	