

WCB BILLING TRANSITION

WCB UPDATE

Submission Requirements

As noted in the June Physician's Bulletin, when submitting claims with a payment responsibility of WCB, one or both of the following are now required:

- Patient's WCB claim number
- Patient's Injury date (month and year)

In some cases, you may provide a service to a patient before a WCB claim exists. In these cases, the month and year of injury should be submitted.

This additional information will be used to verify that the patient was eligible for WCB coverage in the date that the service was provided. Although Medavie will be receiving WCB eligibility updates daily, you may notice a difference in the length of time it takes to process some WCB claims, as this required verification will be completed prior to the claim being paid. Confirming whether your patient is eligible for benefits at the time the claim is submitted for payment will help prevent billing errors and reduce the need for payment reversals.

Return to Work (RTW) Service

Physicians are now able to claim a WCB28 (Comprehensive Visit for Work Related Injury or Illness) or 03.03/03.03A (Limited Visit) depending upon the service provided. If you have been holding any 03.03/03.03A claims since June 27/19, these can now be submitted for payment.

Long Term Benefits (LTB) Service

If your patient has been transitioned to receiving long term benefits, WCB no longer requires the Physician's Report Form 8/10 for follow-up visits. Generally, visits would be no more than monthly for follow-up of the original compensable injury. The health service code to be used for these visits is 03.03 or 03.03A. If WCB28 is submitted, the claim will be refused.

If your patient's condition changes and it is necessary to provide a comprehensive visit, the following interim WCB health service code is now available for billing. Under these circumstances, you may submit a Physician's Report Form 8/10 to WCB outlining the changes in the patient's condition or treatment.

Category	Code	Description	Value
DEFT	WCB31	WCB Interim Fee - Comprehensive Visit for Work Related Injury or Illness When Condition Has Changed.	\$67.90