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Re: Procedures for submission of Extemporaneous Preparations

Dear Pharmacist,

As notified to you, the Health Professionals (Reduction of Payments to Community Pharmacy Contractors) Regulations, S.I. 246 of 2009, was signed into law by the Minister for Health & Children with the consent of the Minister for Finance on the 1st of July 2009.

The Regulations set out the fee rates applicable in respect of Extemporaneous Preparations. To assist pharmacists and to expidite reimbursement in respect of such claims the following administrative arrangements are being introduced with effect from 1st November 2009.

General Medical Services Scheme Extemporaneous Preparations

For GMS extemporaneous preparations electronically submitted; the relevant code (see attached list) should be transmitted along with a description of the preparation, formula used, the quantity dispensed and the ingredient cost as per the Regulations. The new claiming code will trigger the relevant extemporaneous fee and VAT amounts where applicable. A similar procedure will apply in respect of manual claims, however, the formula used, quantity dispensed and ingredient cost must also be detailed on the GMS prescription.

Community Drug Schemes Extemporaneous Preparations

For DPS/LTI/HAA extemporaneous preparations electronically submitted; the relevant code (see attached list) should be transmitted along with a description of the preparation, formula used, the quantity dispensed and the ingredient cost as per the Regulations. The new claiming code will trigger the relevant extemporaneous fee, mark-up and VAT amounts where applicable. A similar procedure will apply in respect of manual claims under the DPS/LTI/HAA/EEA, however, the description of the item, formula used, the quantity dispensed and the ingredient cost must also be detailed on the claim form. DPS/EEA Extemporaneous reimbursable preparations are the same as those applicable to the GMS Scheme.

For information on Extemporaneous Preparation please refer to pharmacy handbook (<u>www.hse.ie/eng/PCRS/Contractor_Handbooks</u>).

Yours faithfully,

Patrick Burke Primary Care Reimbursement Service

| SCHEME | DESCRIPTION | FEE € | CLAIMING CODE |
|-----------------|--|-------|------------------|
| GMS | Fee for Extemporaneous Preparation of Oral Medication | 6.53 | 99159 |
| GMS | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Powders | 19.60 | 99160 |
| GMS | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding of Ointments or Creams | 13.07 | 99161 |
| LTI/HAA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Eye Drops | 13.68 | 99166 |
| LTI/HAA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Ear & Nasal Drops | 10.93 | 99167 |
| DPS/LTI/HAA/EEA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Mixtures Up to 100 ml. | 10.94 | 99168 |
| DPS/LTI/HAA/EEA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Mixtures 101 ml. to 200 ml. | 14.97 | 99169 |
| DPS/LTI/HAA/EEA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Mixtures 201 ml. to 300 ml. | 17.04 | 99170 |
| DPS/LTI/HAA/EEA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Mixtures 301 ml. and over | 22.53 | 99172 |
| LTI/HAA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Lotions Up to 100 ml. | 10.89 | 99173 |
| LTI/HAA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Lotions 101 ml. to 200 ml. | 15.24 | 99174 |
| LTI/HAA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Lotions 201 ml. to 300 ml. | 17.12 | 99175 |
| LTI/HAA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Lotions 301 ml. and over | 22.74 | 99176 |
| DPS/LTI/HAA/EEA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Ointments & Creams Up to 30 G. | 13.76 | 99177 |
| DPS/LTI/HAA/EEA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Ointments & Creams 31 G. to 60 G. | 18.64 | 99178 |
| DPS/LTI/HAA/EEA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Ointments & Creams 61 G. to 120 G. | 23.97 | 99180 |
| DPS/LTI/HAA/EEA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Ointments & Creams 121 G. to 240 G. | 28.90 | 99181 |
| DPS/LTI/HAA/EEA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Creams & Ointments 241 G. and over | 34.27 | 99182 |
| DPS/LTI/HAA/EEA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Powder Up to 20 Sachets | 20.44 | 99183 |
| DPS/LTI/HAA/EEA | Fee for Extemporaneous Compounding and Dispensing of Powder Pro Rata per 20 Sachets dispensed after Initial 20 dispensed | 12.26 | 99184 |