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Re: Prescription Charges

Dear Pharmacist,

I wish to advise you of an increase in the prescription charge from €1.50 per item to €2.50 per item for prescribed drugs, medicines and appliances reimbursed under the GMS Scheme.

A prescription charge will also apply for clients accessing products:

- Using Hospital Emergency Prescriptions
- Using Dental Prescriptions under the Dental Treatment Scheme
- Under the EEA Scheme
- Under the discretionary hardship arrangements
- Under the Infectious Diseases Regulations (TB Drugs)

The monthly cap for prescription charges has also increased from €19.50 to €25.00 per person or family, with effect from 1st December 2013.

Families can confirm or establish a family group on www.medicalcard.ie. If they do not have access to the internet they can get assistance from their local health office or call 1890 252 919.

Alternatively, I would be grateful if you would assist eligible families in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

Patrick Burke
Primary Care Reimbursement Service