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WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND REHABILITATION
ACT 1981

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION
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(SCALE OF FEES)
AMENDMENT
REGULATIONS 2004**

Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation Act 1981

Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation (Scales of Fees) Amendment Regulations 2004

Made by the Governor in Executive Council, on the recommendation of the Commission, under section 176(1a).

1. Citation

These regulations may be cited as the *Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation (Scales of Fees) Amendment Regulations 2004*.

2. The regulations amended

The amendments in these regulations are to the *Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation (Scales of Fees) Regulations 1998**.

[* Reprinted as at 24 May 2002.

For amendments to 2 March 2004 see Western Australian Legislation Information Tables for 2002, Table 4, p. 447, and Gazette 9 May and 12 and 23 September 2003 and 9 January 2004.]

3. Regulation 2 amended

Regulation 2(2) is amended in the definition of "MBS item number" by deleting "2002" and inserting instead —

“ 2003 ”.

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4. Schedule 1 amended

- (1) Schedule 1 Part 1 is amended in the item headed "GENERAL PRACTITIONER" by deleting the figure set out in column 1 of, and in the order in which it appears in, the Table to this subregulation and inserting instead the figure set out in column 2 opposite that figure.

Table

Column 1 Delete	Column 2 Insert instead
18.45	19.10
39.15	40.50
69.70	72.10
101.00	104.50
26.90	27.85
34.30	35.50
66.50	68.80
99.25	102.65
135.05	139.70
28.30	29.30
58.70	60.75
104.50	108.10
152.00	157.25
48.60	50.30
57.00	58.95
87.65	90.65
120.30	124.45
48.60	50.30
67.45	69.80
97.10	100.45
126.65	131.00
56.60	58.55
85.90	88.85

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Column 1 Delete	Column 2 Insert instead
130.85	135.35
179.45	185.65
15.50	16.05
19.40	20.05
40.55	41.95
60.80	62.90
\$174.55	\$180.55
\$3.10	\$3.20

- (2) Schedule 1 Part 1 is amended in the item headed "PHYSICIANS, OCCUPATIONAL & REHABILITATION PHYSICIANS" by deleting the figure set out in column 1 of, and in the order in which it appears in, the Table to this subregulation and inserting instead the figure set out in column 2 opposite that figure.

Table

Column 1 Delete	Column 2 Insert instead
176.15	182.25
88.15	91.20
210.95	218.25
121.75	125.95
176.15	182.25
88.15	91.20
210.95	218.25
121.75	125.95
176.15	182.25
88.15	91.20
210.95	218.25
121.75	125.95
23.05	23.85
28.50	29.50

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Column 1 Delete	Column 2 Insert instead
59.60	61.65
90.05	93.15
\$258.70	\$267.65
\$3.10	\$3.20

- (3) Schedule 1 Part 1 is amended in the item headed "CONSULTANT PSYCHIATRISTS" by deleting the figure set out in column 1 of, and in the order in which it appears in, the Table to this subregulation and inserting instead the figure set out in column 2 opposite that figure.

Table

Column 1 Delete	Column 2 Insert instead
51.70	53.50
103.10	106.65
154.40	159.75
206.60	213.75
233.85	241.90
260.95	269.95
84.85	87.80
137.00	141.75
187.05	193.50
239.25	247.50
288.20	298.15
68.55	70.90
149.70	154.85
\$258.70	\$267.65
\$3.10	\$3.20

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- (4) Schedule 1 Part 1 is amended in the item headed "SPECIALISTS" by deleting the figure set out in column 1 of, and in the order in which it appears in, the Table to this subregulation and inserting instead the figure set out in column 2 opposite that figure.

Table

Column 1 Delete	Column 2 Insert instead
100.15	103.60
52.25	54.05
135.05	139.70
86.05	89.00
100.15	103.60
52.25	54.05
134.85	139.50
85.90	88.85
23.05	23.85
28.50	29.50
59.60	61.65
90.05	93.15
\$258.70	\$267.65
\$3.10	\$3.20

- (5) Schedule 1 Part 1 is amended by deleting the heading "ANAESTHETISTS" and everything following that heading to, but not including, the heading "Part 2 — Medical procedures" and inserting instead —

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ANAESTHETISTS

All anaesthesia fees are calculated by multiplying the units for the consultation, attendance, procedure or service by the \$ value per unit allocated by this Schedule.

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\$ VALUE PER UNIT	
\$ value per unit	\$33.10
CONSULTATIONS AND ATTENDANCES	Units
Anaesthetist Consultation	
— an attendance of 15 minutes or less duration	2
— an attendance of more than 15 minutes but not more than 30 minutes duration	4
— an attendance of more than 30 minutes but not more than 45 minutes duration	6
— an attendance of more than 45 minutes duration	8
Post anaesthesia patient care following a day procedure	2
EMERGENCY ATTENDANCES	
After hours — where immediate attendance is required after 6 p.m. and before 8 a.m. on any weekday, or at any time on a Saturday, Sunday or a public holiday	6
Note: No after hours loading applies to the above item	
Attendance on a patient in imminent danger of death requiring continuous life saving emergency treatment to the exclusion of all other patients	6
Call back from home, office or other distant location for the provision of emergency services	4

PROCEDURES AND SERVICES

All anaesthesia fees in relation to procedures and services are to be charged on the relative value guide (RVG) system. In most cases, the RVG system comprises 3 elements: base units (BUs), modifying units (MUs) and time units (TUs).

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In Part A, the fee for a procedure is calculated by adding the base units for the procedure, the time units, and any modifying units and multiplying the result by the \$ value per unit allocated by this Schedule.

$$(BU_s + TUs + MUs) \times \$ \text{ value per unit} = \text{Fee}$$

In Part B, the fee for a therapeutic or diagnostic service only includes modifying units (MUs), and time units (TUs) if the item notes that service as including either or both.

Base units

The appropriate number of base units for each procedure has been established and is set out in this Schedule.

[The number of base units for each procedure has been calculated so as to include usual postoperative visits, the administration of fluids and/or blood incidental to the anaesthesia care and usual monitoring procedures.]

Time units

Each 15 minutes (or part thereof) of anaesthetic time constitutes one time unit. After 4 hours, time units are calculated at 1 per 10 minutes.

Modifying units

Many anaesthetic services are provided under particularly difficult circumstances depending on factors such as the medical condition of the patient and unusual risk factors. These factors significantly affect the character of the anaesthetic services provided. Circumstances giving rise to additional modifying units are set out in this Schedule.

[Note: The modifying units are, in the main, derived from the modifying units set out in the AMA's "List of Medical Services and Fees".]

Description	Units
A normal healthy patient	0
A patient with a mild systemic disease	0
A patient with a severe systemic disease	1
A patient with a severe systemic disease that is a constant threat to life	4
A moribund patient who is not expected to survive for 24 hours with or without the operation	6
A patient who is morbidly obese (body mass index is more than 35)	2

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A patient who is in the 3 rd trimester of pregnancy	2
A patient declared brain dead whose organs are being removed for donor purposes	0
Where the patient is aged under 1 year or over 70 years old	1
Emergency surgery (i.e. When undue delay in treatment of the patient would lead to a significant increase in a threat to life or body part)	2
Anaesthesia in the prone position (not applicable to lower intestinal endoscopic procedures)	3

Anaesthesia for after-hours emergencies

A 50% loading should apply to emergency after-hours anaesthesia. It is calculated using the "total relative value". The 50% loading and the emergency surgery modifier should not be used together.

"After-hours" is defined as that period between 6.00 p.m. and the following 8.00 a.m. on weekdays and between 8.00 a.m. and the following 8.00 a.m. on weekend days and public holidays.

PART A — PROCEDURES

Description of procedure, etc.	Units
Head	
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the skin and subcutaneous tissue, muscles, salivary glands and superficial blood vessels of the head, including biopsy, unless otherwise specified	5
— plastic repair of cleft lip	6
Anaesthesia for electroconvulsive therapy	4
Anaesthesia for all procedures on external, middle or inner ear, including biopsy, unless otherwise specified	5
— otoscopy	4
Anaesthesia for all procedures on eye unless otherwise specified	5
— lens surgery	6

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— retinal surgery	6
— corneal transplant	8
— vitrectomy	8
— biopsy of conjunctiva	5
— ophthalmoscopy	4
Anaesthesia for all procedures on nose and accessory sinuses unless otherwise specified	6
— radical surgery	7
— biopsy, soft tissue	4
Anaesthesia for all intraoral procedures, including biopsy, unless otherwise specified	6
— repair of cleft palate	7
— excision of retropharyngeal tumour	9
— radical intraoral surgery	10
Anaesthesia for all procedures on facial bones unless otherwise specified	5
— extensive surgery on facial bones (including prognathism and extensive facial bone reconstruction)	10
Anaesthesia for all intracranial procedures unless otherwise specified	15
— subdural taps	5
— burr holes	9
— intracranial vascular procedures including those for aneurysms and arterio-venous abnormalities	20
— spinal fluid shunt procedures	10
— ablation of intracranial nerve	6
Anaesthesia for all cranial bone procedures	12

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Neck

Anaesthesia for all procedures on the skin or subcutaneous tissue of the neck unless otherwise specified	5
Anaesthesia for incision and drainage of large haematoma, large abscess, cellulitis, or similar lesion causing life threatening airway obstruction	15
Anaesthesia for all procedures on oesophagus, thyroid, larynx, trachea and lymphatic system muscles, nerves or other deep tissues of the neck unless otherwise specified	6
— for laryngectomy, hemi laryngectomy, laryngopharyngectomy, or pharyngectomy	10
Anaesthesia for laser surgery to the airway	8
Anaesthesia for all procedures on major vessels of neck unless otherwise specified	10
— simple ligation	5

Thorax (Chest Wall/Shoulder Girdle)

Anaesthesia for all procedures on the skin or subcutaneous tissue of the chest unless otherwise specified	3
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the breast unless otherwise specified	4
— reconstructive procedures on the breast (eg. reduction or augmentation, mammoplasty)	5
— removal of breast lump or for breast segmentectomy where axillary node dissection is performed	5
— mastectomy	6
— reconstructive procedures on the breast using myocutaneous flaps	8
— radical or modified radical procedures on breast with internal mammary node dissection	13
— electrical conversion of arrhythmias	5

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Anaesthesia for percutaneous bone marrow biopsy of the sternum	4
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the clavicle, scapula or sternum unless otherwise specified	5
— radical surgery	6
Anaesthesia for partial rib resection unless otherwise specified	6
— thoracoplasty	10
— extensive procedures (eg. pectus excavatum)	13
 Intrathoracic	
Anaesthesia for open procedures on the oesophagus	15
Anaesthesia for all closed chest procedures (including rigid oesophagoscopy or bronchoscopy) unless otherwise specified	6
— needle biopsy of pleura	4
— pneumocentesis	4
— thoracoscopy	10
— mediastinoscopy	8
Anaesthesia for all thoracotomy procedures involving lungs, pleura, diaphragm, and mediastinum unless otherwise specified	13
— pulmonary decortication	15
— pulmonary resection with thoracoplasty	15
— intrathoracic repair of trauma to trachea and bronchi	15
Anaesthesia for all open procedures on the heart, pericardium, and great vessels of the chest	20
Anaesthesia for heart transplant	20
Anaesthesia for heart and lung transplant	20
Cadaver harvesting of heart and/or lungs	8

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Spine and spinal cord

Anaesthesia for all procedures on the cervical spine and/or cord unless otherwise specified (for myelography and discography see items in 'Other Procedures')	10
— posterior cervical laminectomy in sitting position	13
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the thoracic spine and/or cord unless otherwise specified	10
— thoracolumbar sympathectomy	13
Anaesthesia for all procedures in the lumbar region unless otherwise specified	8
— lumbar sympathectomy	7
— chemonucleolysis	10
Anaesthesia for extensive spine and spinal cord procedures	13
Anaesthesia for manipulation of spine	3
Anaesthesia for percutaneous spinal procedures	5

Upper abdomen

Anaesthesia for all procedures on the skin or subcutaneous tissue of the upper abdominal wall unless otherwise specified	3
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the nerves, muscles, tendons and fascia of the upper abdominal wall	4
Anaesthesia for diagnostic laparoscopy	6
Anaesthesia for laparoscopic procedures unless otherwise specified	7
Anaesthesia for extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy	6
Anaesthesia for upper gastrointestinal endoscopic procedures	5

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Anaesthesia for upper gastrointestinal endoscopic procedures in association with acute gastrointestinal haemorrhage	6
Anaesthesia for all hernia repairs in upper abdomen unless otherwise specified	4
— repair of incisional hernia and/or wound dehiscence	6
— repair of omphalocele	7
— transabdominal repair of diaphragmatic hernia	9
Anaesthesia for all procedures on major abdominal blood vessels	15
Anaesthesia for all procedures within the peritoneal cavity in upper abdomen including cholecystectomy, gastrectomy, laparoscopic nephrectomy, bowel shunts and cadaver harvesting of organs unless otherwise specified	8
— gastric reduction or gastroplasty for the treatment of morbid obesity	10
— partial hepatectomy (excluding liver biopsy)	13
— extended or trisegmental hepatectomy	15
— pancreatectomy, partial or total (eg. Whipple procedure)	12
— liver transplant (recipient)	30
— neuro endocrine tumour removal (eg. carcinoid)	10
— percutaneous procedures on an intra-abdominal organ in the upper abdomen	6
 Lower abdomen	
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the skin or subcutaneous tissue of the lower abdominal wall unless otherwise specified	3
— lipectomy	5

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Anaesthesia for all procedures on the nerves, muscles, tendons and fascia of the lower abdominal wall (with the exception of abdominal lipectomy)	4
Anaesthesia for diagnostic laparoscopy	6
Anaesthesia for laparoscopic procedures	7
Anaesthesia for all lower intestinal endoscopic procedures (modifier for prone position is not applicable)	4
Anaesthesia for extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy	6
Anaesthesia for all hernia repairs in lower abdomen unless otherwise specified	4
— repair of incisional hernia and/or wound dehiscence	6
Anaesthesia for all procedures within the peritoneal cavity in the lower abdomen (including appendicectomy) unless otherwise specified	6
Anaesthesia for bowel resection, including laparoscopic bowel resection, unless otherwise specified	8
— amniocentesis	4
— abdominoperineal resection, including pull through procedures, ultra low anterior resection and formation of bowel reservoir	10
— radical prostatectomy	10
— radical hysterectomy	10
— radical ovarian surgery	10
— pelvic exenteration	10
— Caesarean section	10
— Caesarean hysterectomy or hysterectomy within 24 hours of delivery	15
Anaesthesia for all extraperitoneal procedures in lower abdomen, including urinary tract, unless otherwise specified	6

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— renal procedures, including upper 1/3 or ureter	7
— total cystectomy	10
— adrenalectomy	10
— neuro endocrine tumour removal (eg. carcinoid)	10
— renal transplant (donor or recipient)	10
Anaesthesia for all procedures on major lower abdominal vessels unless otherwise specified	15
— inferior vena cava ligation	10
— percutaneous umbrella insertion	5
Anaesthesia for percutaneous procedures on an intra-abdominal organ in the lower abdomen	6

Perineum

Anaesthesia for all procedures on the skin or subcutaneous tissue of the perineum (including biopsy of male genital system) unless otherwise specified	3
— anorectal procedure (including endoscopy and/or biopsy)	4
— radical pineal procedure including radical perineal prostatectomy or radical vulvectomy	7
— vulvectomy	4
Anaesthesia for all transurethral procedures (including urethrocystoscopy) unless otherwise specified	4
— transurethral resection of bladder tumour(s)	5
— transurethral resection of prostate	7
— post-transurethral resection bleeding	7
Anaesthesia for all procedures on male external genitalia unless otherwise specified	3
— undescended testis, unilateral or bilateral	4
Anaesthesia for procedures on the cord and/or testes unless otherwise specified	4
— radical orchidectomy, inguinal	4

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— radical orchidectomy, abdominal	6
— orchiopexy, unilateral or bilateral	4
— complete amputation of the penis	4
— complete amputation of the penis with bilateral inguinal lymphadenectomy	6
— complete amputation of the penis with bilateral inguinal and iliac lymphadenectomy	8
— insertion of penile prosthesis (perianal approach)	4
Anaesthesia for all vaginal procedures (including biopsy of labia, vagina, cervix or endometrium) unless otherwise specified	4
— colpotomy, colpectomy, colporrhaphy	5
— transvaginal assisted reproductive services	4
— vaginal hysterectomy	6
— vaginal delivery	6
— purse string ligation of cervix	4
— culdoscopy	5
— hysteroscopy	4
— correction of inverted uterus	8
Anaesthesia for evacuation of retained products of conception, as a complication of confinement	4
— for the manual removal of retained placenta or for repair of vaginal or perineal tear following delivery	5
— for vaginal procedures in the management of post partum haemorrhage	7
Pelvis — except hip	
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the skin and subcutaneous tissue of the pelvic region, except external genitalia	3
Anaesthesia for percutaneous bone marrow biopsy of the anterior iliac crest	4

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— percutaneous bone marrow biopsy of the posterior iliac crest	5
Anaesthesia for percutaneous bone marrow harvesting from the pelvis	6
Anaesthesia for procedures on bony pelvis	6
Anaesthesia for body cast application or revision	3
Anaesthesia for interpelviabdominal (hind quarter) amputation	15
Anaesthesia for radical procedures for tumour of pelvis, except hind quarter amputation	10
Anaesthesia for closed procedures involving symphysis pubis or sacroiliac joint	4
Anaesthesia for open procedures involving symphysis pubis or sacroiliac joint	8

Upper leg — except knee

Anaesthesia for all procedures on the skin or subcutaneous tissue of the upper leg	3
— on the nerves, muscles, tendons, fascia, or bursae of the upper leg	4
Anaesthesia for all closed procedures involving hip joint	4
Anaesthesia for arthroscopic procedures of hip joint	4
Anaesthesia for all open procedures involving hip joint unless otherwise specified	6
— hip disarticulation	10
— total hip replacement or revision	10
Anaesthesia for bilateral total hip replacement	14
Anaesthesia for all closed procedures involving upper 2/3 of femur	4
Anaesthesia for all open procedures involving upper 2/3 of femur unless otherwise specified	6
— amputation	5
— radical resection	8

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Anaesthesia for all procedures involving veins of the upper leg including exploration	4
Anaesthesia for all procedures involving arteries of the upper leg, including bypass graft, unless otherwise specified	8
— femoral artery ligation	4
— femoral artery embolectomy	6
— for microsurgical reimplantation of upper leg	15

Knee and popliteal area

Anaesthesia for all procedures on the skin and subcutaneous tissue of the knee and/or popliteal area	3
Anaesthesia for all procedures on nerves, muscles, tendons, fascia and bursae of the knee and/or popliteal area	4
Anaesthesia for all closed procedures on the lower 1/3 of femur	4
Anaesthesia for all open procedures on the lower 1/3 of femur	5
Anaesthesia for all closed procedures on the knee joint	3
Anaesthesia for arthroscopic procedures of the knee joint	4
Anaesthesia for all closed procedures on upper ends of the tibia and fibula, and/or patella	3
Anaesthesia for all open procedures on upper ends of the tibia and fibula, and/or patella	4
Anaesthesia for open procedures on the knee joint unless otherwise specified	4
— knee replacement	7
— bilateral knee replacement	10
— disarticulation of knee	5
Anaesthesia for all cast applications, removal, or repair involving the knee joint	3

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Anaesthesia for all procedures on the veins of the knee and popliteal area unless otherwise specified	4
— repair of arteriovenous fistula	5
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the arteries of the knee and popliteal area unless otherwise specified	8
Lower leg — below knee (includes ankle and foot)	
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the skin or subcutaneous tissue of the lower leg, ankle and foot	3
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the nerves, muscles, tendons and fascia of the lower leg, ankle, and foot unless otherwise specified	4
Anaesthesia for all closed procedures on the lower leg, ankle and foot	3
Anaesthesia for arthroscopic procedure of ankle joint	4
— gastrocnemius recession	5
Anaesthesia for all open procedures on the bones of the lower leg, ankle and foot, including amputation, unless otherwise specified	4
— radical resection	5
— osteotomy or osteoplasty of tibia and fibula	5
— total ankle replacement	7
Anaesthesia for lower leg cast application, removal or repair	3
Anaesthesia for all procedures on arteries of the lower leg, including bypass graft unless otherwise specified	8
— embolectomy	6
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the veins of the lower leg unless otherwise specified	4
— venous thrombectomy	5

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- for microsurgical reimplantation of the lower leg, ankle or foot 15
- for microsurgical reimplantation of the toe 8

Shoulder and axilla (includes humeral head and neck, sternoclavicular joint, acromioclavicular joint and shoulder joint)

- Anaesthesia for all procedures on the skin or subcutaneous tissue of the shoulder or axilla 3
- Anaesthesia for all procedures on nerves, muscles, tendons, fascia and bursae of shoulder and axilla, including axillary dissection 5
- Anaesthesia for all closed procedures on humeral head and neck, sternoclavicular joint, acromioclavicular joint or the shoulder joint 4
- Anaesthesia for all arthroscopic procedures of the shoulder joint 5
- Anaesthesia for all open procedures on the humeral head and neck, sternoclavicular joint, acromioclavicular joint or the shoulder joint unless otherwise specified 5
 - radical resection 6
 - shoulder disarticulation 9
 - interthoracoscaphular (forequarter) amputation 15
 - total shoulder replacement 10
- Anaesthesia for all procedures on arteries of shoulder and axilla unless otherwise specified 8
 - axillary-brachial aneurysm 10
 - bypass graft 8
 - axillary-femoral bypass graft 10
- Anaesthesia for all procedures on veins of shoulder and axilla 4
- Anaesthesia for all shoulder cast application, removal or repair unless otherwise specified 3
 - shoulder spica 4

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Upper arm and elbow

Anaesthesia for all procedures on the skin or subcutaneous tissue of the upper arm and elbow	3
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the nerves, muscles, tendons, fascia and bursae of upper arm and elbow, unless otherwise specified	4
— tenotomy, elbow to shoulder, open	5
— tenoplasty, elbow to shoulder	5
— tenodesis, rupture of long tendon of biceps	5
Anaesthesia for all closed procedures on the humerus and elbow	3
Anaesthesia for arthroscopic procedures of elbow joint	4
Anaesthesia for all open procedures on the humerus and elbow unless otherwise specified	5
— radical procedures	6
— total elbow replacement	7
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the arteries of the upper arm unless otherwise specified	8
— embolectomy	6
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the veins of the upper arm unless otherwise specified	4
— for microsurgical reimplantation of the upper arm	15

Forearm, wrist and hand

Anaesthesia for all procedures on the skin or subcutaneous tissue of the forearm, wrist and hand	3
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the nerves, muscles, tendons, fascia and bursae of the forearm, wrist and hand	4
Anaesthesia for all closed procedures on radius, ulna, wrist, or hand bones	3

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Anaesthesia for all open procedures on radius, ulna, wrist, or hand bones unless otherwise specified	4
— total wrist replacement	7
Anaesthesia for arthroscopic procedures of the wrist joint	4
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the arteries of the forearm, wrist, and hand unless otherwise specified	8
— embolectomy	6
Anaesthesia for all procedures on the veins of the forearm, wrist, and hand unless otherwise specified	4
Anaesthesia for forearm, wrist, or hand cast application, removal or repair	3
— for microsurgical reimplantation of forearm, wrist or hand	15
— for microsurgical reimplantation of a finger	8

Burns

Anaesthesia for excision of debridement of burns with or without skin grafting	
— where the burnt area involves not more than 3% of total body surface	3
— where the burnt area involves more than 3% but less than 10% of total body surface	5
— where the burnt area involves 10% or more but less than 20% of total body surface	7
— where the burnt area involves 20% or more but less than 30% of total body surface	9
— where the burnt area involves 30% or more but less than 40% of total body surface	11
— where the burnt area involves 40% or more but less than 50% of total body surface	13
— where the burnt area involves 50% or more but less than 60% of total body surface	15

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— where the burnt area involves 60% or more but less than 70% of total body surface	17
— where the burnt area involves 70% or more but less than 80% of total body surface	19
— where the burnt area involves 80% or more of total body surface	21

Other procedures

Anaesthesia for injection procedure for myelography:

— lumbar or thoracic	5
— cervical	6
— posterior fossa	9

Anaesthesia for injection procedure for discography:

— lumbar or thoracic	5
— cervical	6

Anaesthesia for peripheral arteriogram

5

Anaesthesia for arteriograms:

— carotid, cerebral or vertebral	5
— retrograde, brachial or femoral	5

Anaesthesia for computerised axial tomography scanning, magnetic resonance scanning, ultrasound scanning or digital subtraction angiography scanning

7

Anaesthesia for radiology unless otherwise specified

4

Anaesthesia for retrograde cystography, retrograde urethrography or retrograde cystourethrography

4

Anaesthesia for flouroscopy

5

Anaesthesia for small bowel enema, barium or other opaque study of the small bowel

5

Anaesthesia for bronchography

6

Anaesthesia for phlebography

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Anaesthesia for heart, 2 dimensional real time transoesophageal examination	6
Anaesthesia for peripheral venous cannulation	3
Anaesthesia for cardiac catheterisation including coronary arteriography, ventriculography, cardiac mapping, insertion of automatic defibrillator or transvenous pacemaker	7
Anaesthesia for cardiac electrophysiological procedures including radio frequency ablation	10
Anaesthesia for central vein catheterisation or insertion of right heart balloon catheter	5
Anaesthesia for lumbar puncture, cisternal puncture, or epidural injection	5
Anaesthesia for harvesting of bone marrow for the purpose of transplantation	5
Anaesthesia for muscle biopsy for malignant hyperpyrexia	10
Anaesthesia for electroencephalography	5
Anaesthesia for brain stem evoked audiometry	5
Anaesthesia for electrocochleography by extratympanic method or transtympanic membrane insertion method	5
Anaesthesia for a therapeutic procedure where it can be demonstrated that there is a clinical need for anaesthesia	5
Anaesthesia during hyperbaric therapy where the medical practitioner is not confined in the chamber (including the administration of oxygen)	8
Anaesthesia during hyperbaric therapy where the medical practitioner is confined in the chamber (including the administration of oxygen)	15
Anaesthesia for brachytherapy using radioactive sealed sources	5
Anaesthesia for therapeutic nuclear medicine	5
Anaesthesia for radiotherapy	7
Anaesthesia where no procedure ensues	3

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Note — Unlisted anaesthetic procedures

The AMA recognise that in determining the number of units applicable, the anaesthetist shall have regard to equivalent procedures

PART B — THERAPEUTIC AND DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES

Description of service, etc.	Mus	TUs	BUs
Collection of blood for autologous transfusion or when homologous blood is required for immediate transfusion in an emergency situation	no	no	3
Administration of blood or bone marrow already collected when performed in association with the administration of anaesthesia	no	no	4
Venous cannulation and blood transfusion (or blood products) not associated with anaesthesia	no	no	5
Intubation, endotracheal, emergency procedure, where the patient's airway is unsecured and at high risk of occlusion, (eg. epiglottitis or haematoma post thyroidectomy) not associated with surgery	yes	yes	15
Intubation, endotracheal, not associated with anaesthesia, when subsequent management is not in an intensive care unit	yes	yes	4
Awake endotracheal intubation with flexible fiberoptic scope, associated with difficult airway, when performed in association with the administration of anaesthesia	no	no	4

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Double lumen endobronchial tube or bronchial blocker, insertion of, when performed in association with the administration of anaesthesia	no	no	4
Venous cannulation and commencement of intravenous infusion, under age of 3 years, not associated with anaesthesia	no	no	3
Venous cannulation, cutdown	no	no	5
Venous cannulation and commencement of intravenous infusion not associated with anaesthesia	no	no	2
Right heart balloon catheter, insertion of, including pulmonary wedge pressure and cardiac output measurement	no	no	7
Pulmonary artery pressure monitoring	no	no	3
Left atrial pressure monitoring via left atrial catheter	no	no	3
Invasive pressure monitoring, not otherwise listed	no	no	3
Central vein catheterization, percutaneous via jugular, subclavian or femoral vein	no	no	3
Central vein catheterization by cutdown	no	no	5
Central venous pressure monitoring	no	no	3
Arterial cannulation, percutaneous	no	no	3
Arterial puncture, withdrawal of blood for diagnosis	no	no	1
Arterial cannulation, by cutdown	no	no	5

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Intra arterial pressure monitoring	no	no	3
Catheterization, umbilical artery, newborn, for diagnosis, or therapy	no	no	5
Intra-arterial infusion or retrograde intravenous perfusion of a sympatholytic agent	no	no	4
Intravenous regional anaesthesia of limb by retrograde perfusion	no	no	4
Perfusion of limb or organ	no	no	12
Medical management of cardio-pulmonary bypass perfusion using heart/lung machine	yes	yes	20
Hypothermia, total body	no	no	5
Cardioplegia, blood or crystalloid, administration by any route	no	no	10
Deep hypothermia to a core temperature of less than 22 degrees in association with circulatory arrest	no	no	15
Standby medical management of cardio-pulmonary bypass perfusion using heart/lung machine	no	yes	5
Major nerve block (proximal to the elbow or knee), including intercostal nerve block(s) or plexus block to provide post operative pain relief	no	no	4
Minor nerve block (specify type) to provide post operative pain relief (does not include subcutaneous infiltration)	no	no	2

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Intrathecal or epidural injection (initial) of a therapeutic substance, with or without insertion of a catheter, in association with anaesthesia and surgery, for post operative pain management	no	no	5
Intrathecal or epidural injection (subsequent) of a therapeutic substance, in association with anaesthesia and surgery, for post operative pain management	no	no	3
Subarachnoid puncture, lumbar, diagnostic	no	no	5
Insertion of subarachnoid drain	no	no	8
Intrathecal, or epidural or injection, (initial or commencement of infusion) of a therapeutic substance, including up to one hour of continuous attendance by a medical practitioner	no	no	8
Intrathecal, or epidural or injection, (initial or commencement of infusion) of a therapeutic substance, where continuous attendance by a medical practitioner extends beyond one hour, add one unit for each 15 minutes over the first hour	no	no	0

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Intrathecal, or epidural or injection, (initial or commencement of infusion) of a therapeutic substance, including up to one hour of continuous attendance by a medical practitioner after hours for a patient in labour	no	no	15
Intrathecal, or epidural or injection, (initial or commencement of infusion) of a therapeutic substance, where continuous after hours attendance by a medical practitioner extends beyond the first hour, add one unit for each 15 minutes of the first hour for a patient in labour	no	no	0
Subsequent injection (or revision of infusion) of a therapeutic substance to maintain regional anaesthesia or analgesia where the period of continuous medical practitioner attendance is 15 minutes or less	no	no	3
Subsequent injection (or revision of infusion) of a therapeutic substance to maintain regional anaesthesia or analgesia where the period of continuous medical practitioner attendance is more than 15 minutes	no	no	4
Interpleural block, initial injection or commencement of infusion of a therapeutic substance	no	no	5
Intrathecal, epidural or caudal injection of neurolytic substance	no	no	20

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Intrathecal, epidural or caudal injection of substance other than anaesthetic, contrast or neurolytic solutions, not being a service to which another item in the Group applies	no	no	8
Epidural injection of blood for blood patch	no	no	8
Injection of an anaesthetic agent			
— trigeminal nerve, primary division of	no	no	10
— trigeminal nerve, peripheral branch of	no	no	5
— facial nerve	no	no	3
— retrobulbar or peribulbar	no	no	5
— greater occipital nerve	no	no	3
— vagus nerve	no	no	8
— glossopharyngeal nerve	no	no	8
— phrenic nerve	no	no	7
— spinal accessory nerve	no	no	5
— cervical plexus	no	no	8
— brachial plexus	no	no	8
— suprascapular nerve	no	no	5
— intercostal nerve, single	no	no	5
— intercostal nerves, multiple	no	no	7
— ilioinguinal, iliohypogastric or genito femoral nerves, one or more of	no	no	5
— pudendal nerve	no	no	8
— ulnar, radial or median nerve of main trunk, one or more of, not being associated with a brachial plexus block	no	no	5
— paracervical (uterine) nerve	no	no	5
— obturator nerve	no	no	7

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— femoral nerve	no	no	7
— saphenous, sural, popliteal or posterior tibial nerve of main trunk, one or more of	no	no	5
— paravertebral, cervical, thoracic, lumbar, sacral or coccygeal nerves, single vertebral level	no	no	7
— paravertebral nerves, multiple levels	no	no	10
— sciatic nerve	no	no	7
— other peripheral nerve or branch	no	no	5
— sphenopalatine ganglion	no	no	10
— carotid sinus, as an independent percutaneous procedure	no	no	8
— stellate ganglion (cervical sympathetic block)	no	no	8
— lumbar or thoracic nerves (paravertebral sympathetic block)	no	no	8
— coeliac plexus or splanchnic nerves	no	no	10
Cranial nerve other than trigeminal, destruction by a neurolytic agent, not being a service associated with the injection of botulinum toxin	no	no	20
Nerve branch, not covered by any other item in this Group, destruction by a neurolytic agent, not being a service associated with the injection of botulinum toxin	no	no	10

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Coeliac plexus or splanchnic nerves, destruction by a neurolytic agent	no	no	20
Lumbar sympathetic chain, destruction by a neurolytic agent	no	no	15
Cervical or thoracic sympathetic chain, destruction by a neurolytic agent	no	no	20
Cardioversion, elective, electrical conversion of arrhythmia, external	no	no	4
Hyperbaric oxygen treatment when the specialist is inside the chamber	yes	yes	15
Hyperbaric oxygen treatment when the specialist is outside the chamber	yes	yes	8
Heart, 2 dimensional real time transoesophageal examination of, at least 2 oesophageal windows performed using a mechanical sector scanner or phased array transducer with —			
(a) measurement blood flow velocities across the cardiac valves using pulsed wave and continuous Doppler techniques;			
(b) real time colour flow mapping from at least 2 oesophageal windows; and			
(c) recording on video tape	no	no	10

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Intra-operative 2 dimensional real time transoesophageal echocardiography incorporating Doppler techniques with colour flow mapping and recording onto video tape, performed during cardiac surgery incorporating sequential assessment of cardiac function before and after the surgical procedure	no	no	14
Skin testing for allergy to anaesthetic agents	no	yes	4
Assistance in the administration of an anaesthetic	yes	yes	5

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Note — Unlisted services

For an unlisted service, the number of units is to be determined by reference to the nearest listed anaesthetic procedure

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- (6) Schedule 1 Part 2 is amended by deleting the figure set out in column 1 of, and in the order in which it appears in, the Table to this subregulation and inserting instead the figure set out in column 2 opposite that figure.

Table

Column 1	Column 2
Delete	Insert instead
38.65	40.00
110.10	113.90
66.70	69.00
232.95	241.00
110.10	113.90
51.40	53.15
207.55	214.70
275.25	284.75
88.95	92.00
118.60	122.70
74.15	76.70
87.90	90.95
177.90	184.05
98.95	102.35
354.70	366.95
175.75	181.80
118.60	122.70
158.80	164.30
133.40	138.00
177.90	184.05

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Column 1	Column 2
Delete	Insert instead
207.55	214.70
275.25	284.75
74.15	76.70
98.45	101.85
32.30	33.40
144.00	148.95
402.30	416.20
103.75	107.35
103.75	107.35
105.85	109.50
133.40	138.00
154.60	159.95
177.90	184.05
222.35	230.00
201.15	208.10
227.60	235.45
264.65	273.80
333.45	344.95
264.65	273.80
312.30	323.05
354.70	366.95
444.65	460.00
264.65	273.80
312.30	323.05
354.70	366.95
444.65	460.00
592.85	613.30
264.65	273.80
370.50	383.30

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Column 1	Column 2
Delete	Insert instead
148.25	153.35
296.40	306.65
592.85	613.30
444.65	460.00
592.85	613.30
67.80	70.15
534.65	553.10
709.30	733.75
889.25	919.95
1190.95	1 232.05
105.85	109.50
160.90	166.45
160.90	166.45
275.25	284.75
80.45	83.25
120.70	124.85
120.70	124.85
264.65	273.80
402.30	416.20
465.80	481.85
788.65	815.85
1566.75	1 620.80
211.70	219.00
317.60	328.55
428.75	443.55
534.65	553.10
640.50	662.60
\$249.90	258.50
465.80	481.85

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Column 1 Delete	Column 2 Insert instead
402.30	416.20
688.10	711.85
968.60	1 002.00

- (7) Schedule 1 Part 2 is amended as follows:
- (a) in the item headed "ASSISTANCE AT OPERATIONS" by deleting "\$133.40" and inserting instead —
" **\$138.00** ";
 - (b) in the item headed "USE OF PRIVATE THEATRES" by deleting "\$80.45" and inserting instead —
" **\$83.25** ".
- (8) Schedule 1 Part 3 is deleted and the following Part is inserted instead —

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Part 3 — Diagnostic Imaging Services

ULTRASOUND

MBS item number <i>(November 2003 edition)</i>	Fee \$
55028	122.90
55029	42.60
55030	122.90
55031	42.60
55032	122.90
55033	42.60
55036	125.40
55037	42.60
55038	122.90
55039	42.60
55044	125.40
55045	42.60
55048	123.35
55049	42.60

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55054	122.90
55070	110.70
55073	38.40
55076	122.90
55079	42.60
55113	298.65
55114	298.65
55115	298.65
55116	332.10
55117	332.10
55118	356.70
55130	434.95
55238	196.35
55244	196.35
55246	196.35
55248	196.35
55252	196.35
55274	196.35
55276	196.35
55278	196.35
55280	196.35
55282	196.35
55284	196.35
55292	190.95
55294	190.95
55296	125.10
55600	122.90
55603	122.90
55700	73.80
55703	43.05
55704	86.10
55705	43.05
55706	123.00
55709	46.75
55712	141.45
55715	49.20
55718	123.00

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55721	141.45
55723	46.75
55725	49.20
55728	123.00
55729	33.50
55731	120.55
55733	43.05
55736	156.20
55739	70.10
55759	184.50
55762	73.80
55764	196.80
55766	79.95
55768	184.50
55770	73.80
55772	196.80
55774	79.95
55800	122.90
55802	42.60
55804	122.90
55806	42.60
55808	122.90
55810	42.60
55812	122.90
55814	42.60
55816	122.90
55818	42.60
55820	122.90
55822	42.60
55824	122.90
55826	42.60
55828	122.90
55830	42.60
55832	122.90
55834	42.60
55836	122.90
55838	42.60

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MBS item number <i>(November 2003 edition)</i>	Fee \$
55840	122.90
55842	42.60
55844	98.40
55846	42.60
55848	122.90
55850	172.20
55852	122.90
55854	42.60

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MBS item number <i>(November 2003 edition)</i>	Fee \$
56001	223.45
56007	286.50
56010	288.90
56013	286.50
56016	332.30
56022	257.85
56028	385.95
56030	332.05
56036	415.10
56041	113.15
56047	144.50
56050	146.85
56053	146.85
56056	178.10
56062	129.65
56068	193.00
56070	166.05
56076	207.55
56101	263.55
56107	389.60
56141	133.40
56147	196.60
56219	373.80
56220	275.00

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MBS item number <i>(November 2003 edition)</i>	Fee \$
56221	275.00
56223	275.00
56224	402.65
56225	402.65
56226	402.65
56227	140.40
56228	140.40
56229	140.40
56230	203.35
56231	203.35
56232	203.35
56233	275.00
56234	402.65
56235	140.35
56236	203.35
56237	275.00
56238	402.65
56239	140.35
56240	203.35
56259	188.85
56301	338.05
56307	458.35
56341	171.30
56347	231.45
56401	286.50
56407	412.55
56409	286.50
56412	412.55
56441	145.30
56447	207.95
56449	145.30
56452	207.95
56501	441.20
56507	550.05
56541	221.30
56547	279.30
56619	252.10

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56625	383.45
56659	128.45
56665	191.80
56801	534.60
56807	641.70
56841	267.35
56847	325.25
57001	534.70
57007	650.60
57041	267.40
57047	325.30
57201	177.85
57247	88.90
57341	538.60
57345	276.85
57350	584.40
57351	584.40
57355	302.70
57356	302.70

DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY

MBS item number <i>(November 2003 edition)</i>	Fee \$
57506	35.85
57509	47.95
57512	48.80
57515	65.10
57518	39.20
57521	52.30
57524	59.50
57527	79.30
57700	48.80
57703	65.10
57706	39.20
57709	52.30
57712	56.85
57715	73.45

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57721	119.60
57901	77.75
57902	77.75
57903	56.95
57906	77.75
57909	77.75
57912	56.85
57915	56.85
57918	56.85
57921	56.85
57924	56.85
57927	59.85
57930	39.65
57933	94.30
57939	77.75
57942	59.85
57945	52.30
57960	57.10
57963	57.10
57966	57.10
57969	57.10
58100	80.95
58103	66.45
58106	92.75
58108	160.20
58109	56.65
58112	117.20
58115	160.20
58300	48.35
58306	107.75
58500	42.60
58503	56.85
58506	73.25
58509	47.95
58521	52.30
58524	68.10
58527	83.70

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58700	55.50
58706	190.35
58715	182.65
58718	152.05
58721	166.60
58900	43.05
58903	57.35
58909	108.45
58912	132.90
58915	95.15
58916	166.95
58921	163.05
58924	101.25
58927	92.15
58933	247.80
58936	236.15
58939	167.90
59103	27.25
59300	104.85
59303	63.25
59306	120.90
59309	241.80
59312	104.85
59314	63.25
59318	56.70
59503	107.75
59700	116.35
59703	91.50
59712	137.05
59715	173.00
59718	162.30
59724	272.95
59733	129.80
59736	74.75
59739	88.85
59751	167.70
59754	264.35

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MBS item number <i>(November 2003 edition)</i>	Fee \$
59760	138.80
59763	161.35
59903	154.20
59912	410.75
59925	487.85
59970	202.85
59971	77.10
59972	205.40
59973	243.95
59974	101.45
60000	679.75
60003	996.85
60006	1 417.50
60009	1 658.80
60012	679.75
60015	996.85
60018	1 417.50
60021	1 658.80
60024	679.75
60027	996.85
60030	1 417.50
60033	1 658.80
60036	679.75
60039	996.85
60042	1 417.50
60045	1 658.80
60048	679.75
60051	996.85
60054	1 417.50
60057	1 658.80
60060	679.75
60063	996.85
60066	1 417.50
60069	1 658.80
60072	58.00
60075	115.85
60078	173.85

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60100	73.25
60500	52.30
60503	35.85
60506	76.85
60509	119.15
60918	63.50
60927	51.20
61109	312.05

NUCLEAR MEDICINE IMAGING

MBS item number <i>(November 2003 edition)</i>	Fee \$
61302	448.05
61303	564.30
61306	708.40
61307	833.35
61310	366.60
61313	302.80
61314	419.25
61316	380.45
61317	491.45
61320	228.50
61328	227.25
61340	252.55
61348	442.55
61352	258.90
61353	385.85
61356	392.05
61360	402.60
61361	460.60
61364	496.05
61368	222.65
61369	2 012.05
61372	222.65
61373	488.80
61376	143.10
61381	573.30

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MBS item number <i>(November 2003 edition)</i>	Fee \$
61383	623.85
61384	686.45
61386	331.85
61387	430.00
61389	369.90
61390	409.25
61393	604.40
61397	246.40
61401	161.95
61402	603.95
61405	345.35
61409	871.85
61413	225.55
61417	118.60
61421	478.90
61425	599.60
61426	553.75
61429	542.00
61430	658.20
61433	496.05
61434	614.25
61437	541.75
61438	671.75
61441	488.80
61442	750.95
61445	286.30
61446	332.95
61449	455.40
61450	396.80
61453	513.75
61454	347.45
61457	469.60
61458	396.20
61461	526.90
61462	130.05
61465	265.00
61469	347.45

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MBS item number <i>(November 2003 edition)</i>	Fee \$
61473	175.05
61480	386.15
61484	879.25
61485	997.40
61495	222.65
61499	252.55

MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING

MBS item number <i>(November 2003 edition)</i>	Fee \$
63000 — 63946	526.75

Recommended by the Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation Commission on the 9th day of December 2003.

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B. BRADLEY.

By Command of the Governor,

M. C. WAUCHOPE, Clerk of the Executive Council.

