

GEMS TARIFF FOR SERVICES BY CHIROPRACTORS WITH EFFECT FROM 1 JANUARY 2020

Practice Type: **Chiropractors**
Code: **004**

TARIFF CODE	TARIFF DESCRIPTION	CONVERSION FACTOR	BASE FACTOR	NUMBER OF UNITS	TARIFF VALUE
	<p>In calculating the GEMS Tariff , the following rounding method is used: Values R10 and below rounded to the nearest cent, R10+ rounded to the nearest 10cent. Modifier values are rounded to the nearest cent. When new item prices are calculated, e.g. when applying a modifier, the same rounding scheme should be followed.</p> <p>ALL GEMS TARIFFS ARE VAT INCLUSIVE.</p>				
	GENERAL RULES				
001	<p>All accounts must be presented with the following information clearly stated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • name of chiropractor; • qualifications of the chiropractor; • BHF practice number; • postal address and telephone number; • date on which service(s) were provided; • The relevant diagnostic codes and NHRPL item code numbers relating to the health service rendered; • the surname and initials of the member; • the first name of the patient; • the name of the scheme; • the membership number of the member; • a statement of whether the account is in accordance with the National Reference Price List; and • the name and practice number of the referring practitioner, if applicable. 				
002	<p>The consultation code may be charged only once at the same consultation or visit.</p> <p>Consultation includes history taking, guidance, education, health promotion and/or consultation.</p>				
003	<p>A maximum of three diagnostic procedures may be charged at the same consultation or visit.</p> <p>Diagnostic procedures include physical examination, neurological examination, orthopaedic examination, ergonomical analysis, postural analysis and radiological examination</p>				
004	<p>A maximum of three treatment procedures may be charged at the same consultation or visit for any single diagnosis.</p>				
005	<p>After a series of 12 treatments in respect of one patient for the same condition, the practitioner concerned shall report to the scheme as soon as possible if further treatment is necessary. Payment for treatment in excess of the stipulated number may be granted by the scheme after receipt of a letter from the practitioner concerned, motivating the need for such treatment.</p>				
006	<p>It is recommended that, when such benefits are granted, drugs, consumables and disposable items used during a procedure or issued to a patient on discharge will only be reimbursed by a medical scheme if the appropriate code is supplied on the account.</p>				

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107	Appointment not kept (schemes will not necessarily grant benefits in respect of this item, it will fall into the \"By arrangement with the scheme\" or \"Patient own account\" category).				R0,00
301	Consultation	180		25,000	R202,70
	Only a single item from this section may be charged per patient encounter				
	Radiation Control Council Certificate number to be on account if X-Rays charged				
311	Single diagnostic procedure	180		25,000	R202,70
312	Two diagnostic procedures	180		37,500	R303,80
313	Three diagnostic procedures	180		50,000	R405,20
	Only a single item from this section may be charged per patient encounter				
321	Single instance of immobilization or therapeutic exercises	180		10,000	R81,00
322	Two instances of immobilization or therapeutic exercises	180		15,000	R121,60
	Only a single item from this section may be charged per patient encounter				
331	Single treatment procedure	180		10,000	R81,00
332	Two treatment procedures	180		15,000	R121,60
333	Three treatment procedures	180		20,000	R162,00
334	Four treatment procedures	180		25,000	R202,70
335	Five treatment procedures	180		30,000	R242,90
336	Six treatment procedures	180		35,000	R283,50
	The amount charged in respect of medicines and scheduled substances shall not exceed the limits prescribed in the Regulations Relating to a Transparent Pricing System for Medicines and Scheduled Substances, dated 30 April 2004, made in terms of the Medicines and Related Substances Act, 1965 (Act No 101 of 1965).				
	In relation to all other materials, items are to be charged (exclusive of VAT) at net acquisition price plus -				
	* 26% of the net acquisition price where the net acquisition price of that material is less than one hundred rands; and				
	* a maximum of twenty six rands where the net acquisition price of that material is greater than or equal to one hundred rands.				
100	Medication / material: Charge for medication or material, identified by the appropriate Nappi code.	180		0,000	
110	X-Ray films	180		0,000	