

NOVA SCOTIA MEDICAL SERVICES

Notice to Physicians

CHANGE TO BREAST REDUCTION CRITERIA

Effective November 2, 2020, DHW has added the diagnosis of Persistent and Well Documented Gender Dysphoria to the list of criteria for MSI coverage for a breast reduction. Approved GAS applications must be on file and the request for approval must come from the NS physician who will be providing this service.

LOCUM PHYSICIANS PARTICIPATING IN SUPPLEMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Where locum physicians desire to participate in supplemental activities (e.g. CHIP, PMC), they will be eligible to do so in addition to the locum hours and will be compensated per the supplemental program's funding model. However, a locum physician must fulfill the hours specified for the locum income received on the day before claiming any additional remuneration. Locum hours cannot be 'made up' on a subsequent day.

- Where possible, the supplemental activity should be fulfilled before or after the 'locum' hours.
- Where frequent interruptions are expected throughout any given day (e.g. urgent inpatient response, antenatal services) and there is a considerable likelihood a full day of locum services cannot be achieved, the host/locum physicians should consider the half-day guarantee or FFS remuneration for the care services.
- If a locum physician does not fulfill the service requirement as stated on the host application and/or claim form, the locum physician must advise Medavie for an adjustment to the locum compensation where applicable.
- Please click <u>here</u> for a Primary Maternity Care (PMC) Program QA.
- > Please click <u>here</u> for a Community Hospital Inpatient Program (CHIP) QA.

Please see the updated GP Locum Application Form and GP Specialist Locum Claim Form