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Per Diem									
In-patient (up to 45 days)	0164IPU	30-Jun-12		Yes				\$668.70 / day	See NOTES 1, 2, 23 & 24
In-patient (over 45 days)	0164IPO	30-Jun-12		Yes				\$200.65 / day	See NOTES 1, 2, 23 & 24
In-patient for Only 1 Day - Under 8 Hours	0164IPDU	30-Jun-12		Yes				\$93.70 / day	See NOTES 1, 2, 23 & 24 Must include admission and discharge times. Only Emergency Room fee is payable.
In-patient for Only 1 Day - Over 8 Hours	0164IPDO	30-Jun-12		Yes				\$334.35 / day	See NOTES 1, 2, 23 & 24  Must include admission and discharge times. Half the per-diem will be reimbursed.
Main Facility fees									
Emergency Room	0155ER	30-Jun-12		Yes				\$93.70 / day	See NOTES 3, 4, 5 & 24. Only emergency room fee is payable. <b>Exception to note 5:</b> CT and MRI can be billed together with Emergency Room fee.
Outpatient	0155OP	30-Jun-12		Yes				\$26.75 / day	See NOTES 5, 23, 24 & 25
Outpatient - Patient in a bed (kept for observation under 24 hours)	0155OPB	30-Jun-12		Yes				\$93.70 / day	See NOTES 3, 4, 5, 23 & 24
Overnight Emergency Room Stay	0155OER	30-Jun-12		Yes				\$200.65 / day	See NOTES 3, 4, 5 & 24  Exception to NOTE 5: CT and MRI can be billed together with Overnight Emergency Room Stay.
Urgent Care Centre Visits	0155UC	30-Jun-12		Yes				\$93.70 / day	See NOTES 5, 6 & 24  Exception to NOTE 5: CT and MRI can be billed together with Urgent Care Centre Visits.
Secondary Facility fee	es								
Dialysis	0155D	30-Jun-12		Yes				\$200.65 / day	See NOTES 5 & 24. Not payable together with per diem.
Chemotherapy (excluding the cost of chemo drugs)	0155C	30-Jun-12		Yes				\$60.20 / day	See NOTES 5 & 24.  Not payable together with per diem. IFHP does not cover chemo drugs.
Out-patient day surgery	0155OPS	30-Jun-12	Yes	Yes				\$200.65 / day	See NOTES 5, 7, 8 & 24. Not payable together with per diem.
Blood Transfusion	0155BT	30-Jun-12		Yes				\$60.20 / day	See NOTES 5 & 24. Not payable together with per diem.
Radiotherapy	0155RT	30-Jun-12		Yes				\$60.20 / day	See NOTES 5 & 24. Not payable together with per diem.
CT Scans	0155CT	30-Jun-12						\$200.65 / service	See NOTES 5, 9, 10 & 24  Exception to NOTE 5: CT scans can be billed together with Urgent Care Centre Visits, Emergency Room Visits or Overnight Emergency Room stay.

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MRI	0155MRI	30-Jun-12						\$200.65 / service	See NOTES 5, 10, 11 & 24  Exception to NOTE 5: MRI scans can be billed together with Urgent Care Centre Visits, Emergency Room Visits or Overnight Emergency Room stay.
Abortion	0155A	30-Jun-12						\$573.05 / day	See NOTES 5 & 24. Not payable together with per diem.
Lithotripsy	0155L	30-Jun-12		Yes				\$668.70 / day	See NOTES 5 & 24. Not payable together with per diem.
Professional Fees	-								
Nursing Services - Vaccination	0212CI	30-Jun-12					4/LT	\$ 26.75 / visit and \$107.00 / lifetime	See NOTE 24 Not payable with per diem. IFHP will pay \$26.75 / visit, when the visit is for vaccination purposes. See the list of approved vaccinations in NOTE 20 and NOTE 22
Community Nursing Services	0211CI	30-Jun-12		Yes			40 / CM	\$53.30 / hour and \$2,132.00 / CM	See NOTE 24 Not payable with per diem. IFHP will pay as per invoice up to a maximum of \$53.30 / hour when the visit is for Communicy Nursing services, for acute care clients. Requries a physician's order as part of hospital discharge. IFHP covers prenatal care, obstetrical care and post-partum care up to 28 days after delivery, for the following specialties: General Practice, Gynecology / Obstetrics, Pediatricians and Community Nursing Services.
General Practice	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 12 & 24 IFHP covers prenatal care, obstetrical care and post-partum care up to 28 days after delivery, for the following specialties: General Practice, Gynecology / Obstetrics, Pediatricians and Community Nursing Services.
Anaesthesia	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments		Yes				See NOTES 6, 13, 23 & 24
Cardiology	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Clinical Immunology	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Community Medicine	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 23 & 24
Dermatology	see comments	30-Jun-12	Yes	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24 IFHP does not cover treatment for cosmetic purposes, tattoo removal, treatment of warts and uncomplicated acne vulgaris.
Endocrinology & Metabolism	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24

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Emergency Medicine	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 23 & 24
Gastroenterology	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
General Surgery	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 23 & 24 IFHP does not cover elective surgery, or surgical procedures performed for cosmetic or religious purposes.
General Thoracic Surgery	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 23 & 24
Geriatrics	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Haematology	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 23 & 24
Immunology	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Infectious Disease	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Laboratory Medicine	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Internal Medicine	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Medical Oncology	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 23 & 24
Neurosurgery	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 23 & 24
Nuclear Medicine	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Nephrology	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 23 & 24
Neurology	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Gynecology / Obstetrics	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 15, 23 & 24 IFHP covers prenatal care, obstetrical care and post-partum care up to 28 days after delivery, for the following specialties: General Practice, Gynecology / Obstetrics, Pediatricians and Community Nursing Services.
Oral / Maxillofacial Surgery	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 23 & 24 Coverage is limited to treatment provided in a hospital.
Otolaryngology	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 23 & 24
Ophthalmology	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 16, 23 & 24

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Pediatrics	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 13 & 24 IFHP covers prenatal care, obstetrical care and post-partum care up to 28 days after delivery, for the following specialties: General Practice, Gynecology / Obstetrics, Pediatricians and Community Nursing Services.
Psychiatry	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Respiratory Disease	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Rheumatology	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Urology	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 17, 23 & 24
Orthopaedic Surgery	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 23 & 24 Limited to acute care.
Plastic Surgery	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 23 & 24 Surgery for cosmetic purposes is not covered.
Vascular Surgery	see comments	30-Jun-12	see comments	Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14, 23 & 24
Radiation Oncology	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Diagnostic Radiology	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Physicial Medicine	see comments	30-Jun-12		Yes	Yes				See NOTES 6, 14 & 24
Diagnostic and Thera	peutic Proce	dures and T	ests						
Diagnostic Tests (Laboratory)	see comments	30-Jun-12			Yes				See NOTES 6 & 24 IFHP covers prenatal care, obstetrical care and post-partum care up to 28 days after delivery, for the following specialties: General Practice, Gynecology / Obstetrics, Pedatricians and Community Nursing Services.
Specialized Products for diagnostic tests (radiopharmaceuticals)	420210	1-May-13							See NOTES 6, 24 & 26
Diagnostic Tests (Radiology)	see comments	30-Jun-12			Yes				See NOTES 6 & 24
Diagnostic Tests (Ultrasound)	see comments	30-Jun-12			Yes				See NOTES 6 & 24 IFHP covers prenatal care, obstetrical care and post-partum care up to 28 days after delivery, for the following specialties: General Practice, Gynecology / Obstetrics, Pediatricians and Community Nursing Services.

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Molecular genetics, biochemistry genetics and cytology genetic tests	420203	15-Dec-13	Yes	Yes					See NOTES 24 & 27
Integrated Prenatal Screening Tests	420201	30-Jun-12						\$130.75 / day	See NOTE 24
Maternal Serum Screening Tests	420202	30-Jun-12						\$130.75 / day	See NOTE 24
Transportation									
Ambulance - Ground	0729E	30-Jun-12						\$350.00	See NOTES 18, 19 & 24
Ambulance - Air	0729A	30-Jun-12	Yes	Yes					See NOTES 19 & 24. Actual cost allowed.
Standard Immunizatio	n							•	
Immunization - Children	249067	30-Jun-12	Yes		·			\$428 / lifetime	See NOTES 20, 21 & 24. Age restriction: 0 - 17.
Immunization - Adults	249061	30-Jun-12	Yes					\$446 / lifetime	See NOTES 21, 22 & 24. Age restriction: 18 and older.

#### NOTES:

- NOTE 1 Hospital charges not covered: (1) The day of discharge from hospital; (2) Television; (3) PST, GST, HST; (4) Telephones, etc.; (5) Charges from a person who received reimuneration from the hospital.
- NOTE 2 Facility Fee charges for the following services will be rejected if they occur during the time of the hospital stay: (1) X-rays, (2) Ultrasounds, (3) Pharmaceuticals, (4) Lab Work, (5) MRI's, (6) CT Scans, (7) Dialysis, (8) Surgical Daycare, (9) Emergency, (10) Outpatient; and (11) Nurse Visits.
- NOTE 3 The Emergency Room Facility Fee is an all inclusive rate and includes payment for: (1) Swabs; (2) Bandages; (3) Plaster casts; (4) Splints; (5) Medical supplies; and (6) Drug packets.
- NOTE 4 Charges for follow-up visits and accompanying services, must be billed under the appropriate facility fee code.
- NOTE 5 When fee is claimed together with a main or secondary facility fee on the same day, only the facility fee for the service with the highest reimbursement rate can be claimed.
- NOTE 6 For professional fees, hospitals / practitioners must indicate the appropriate provincial / territorial physician fee code(s), plus time units, where applicable.
- NOTE 7 Type of surgery performed should be indicated on the claim form.
- NOTE 8 The following services are not covered: (1) Two visits on the same day; (2) Surgery for cosmetic purposes; (3) Elective surgery.
- NOTE 9 More than one CT Scan per patient, per day is payable IF: (1) CT Scans were for a different area of the body; OR; (2) Several CT Scans were performed at different times during the day. Not payable together with per diem.
- NOTE 10 Examined body / region must be specified on the claim.
- NOTE 11 More than one MRI per patient, per day is payable IF: (1) MRI Scans were for a different area of the body; OR; (2) Several MRI Scans were performed at different times during the day. Not payable together with per diem.

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- NOTE 12 For professional fees, the appropriate provincial / territorial physician fee code(s), plus units of time, (where applicable) must be indicated. Services not covered: (1) Periodic oculo-visual assessments for all age groups; (2) Annual health examinations; (3) Smoking cessation.
- NOTE 13 For service performed in a hospital, the name of the referring practitioner is not required.
- NOTE 14 For service performed in a hospital, the name of the referring practitioner is not required. For clinic visits referral from a GP or NP is required.
- NOTE 15 The following services are not covered: (1) Tubal occlusion / interruption / removal by any method or approach for the purpose of sterilization; (2) Fertility diagnostic and treatment procedures and (3) Elective procedures.
- NOTE 16 Services not covered: (1) Periodic oculo-visual assessment for all age groups; (2) Services for the purpose of prescription of eye glasses; (3) Pterigium surgery with or without graft for all age groups; (4) Refractive surgery.
- NOTE 17 The following services are not covered: (1) Circumcision performed for ritual, cultural, religions or cosmetic reasons, at any age; (2) Circumcision for neonatal phimosis; (3) Vasectomy for sterilization purposes; (4) Vasetomy reversal; (5) Fertility diagnostic and treatment procedures.
- NOTE 18 IFHP follows the provincial / territorial fee guidelines. Where no provincial / territorial fee guidelines exist, IFHP will pay up to a maximum \$350 for ground ambulance transportation.
- NOTE 19 Ground or air conveyance, used or intended to be used for a person who:

  (a) injured in a traffic or industrial accident or otherwise have suffered an illness that poses an immediate threat to a person's life, limb or a function;

  (b) transported to a health facility or between two health facilities, as arranged by an attending physician or health care provider designated by a physician.
- NOTE 20 Include vaccines: (1) Varicella; (2) Hep B; (3) Hep A; (4) Meningococcal C; (5) Pneumococcal C-7; (6) T-Dap; (7) DTaP; (8) Td; (9) MMR; (10) IPV; (11) Hib (12) Influenza vaccine AND (13) Combinations / Other. Claims must include rationale for immunization (i.e. no record, inadequate immunization record, unclear hystory of prior immunization or risk factors).
- NOTE 21 IFHP will cover immunizations as per NACI guidelines for children and adults with inadequate/without immunization records or risk factors. Can be claimed together with:

  (1) provincial physician fee codes for vaccination; OR (2) injections fee; OR (3) IFHP Nursing Services Vaccination code. Once max dollar amount is reached, (whether reached during the initial or subsequent service), only professional fees are payable (nursing visits or physician fees).
- NOTE 22 Include vaccines: (1) Varicella; (2) Meningococcal C; (3) Pheumococcal C-23; (4) T-dap; (5) Td; (6) MMR; (7) Hep B; (8) Hep A; (9) Influensa vaccine AND (10) Combinations/Other. Claims must include rationale for immunization (i.e. no record, inadequate immunization record, unclear hystory of prior immunization or risk factors).
- NOTE 23 Solid organ and tissue transplant procedures (single and multiple) e.g. lung, heart, kidney, liver, pancreas, skin, bone and bone marrow transplants and transplant adjunctive services can only be considered on exceptional approval from the IFHP. Note that under Health Care Coverage, IFHP does not cover medications and products unless they are required to prevent, diagnose and treat diseases posing a risk to public health or conditions of public safety concern and included in the IFHP Public Health and Public Safety Drug Benefit List.

  Chemo drugs, immunosuppressants, anti-infective medications, medical supplies etc., for treatment of cancer or transplant patients are not covered under Health Care Coverage.

  Contact Medavie Blue Cross prior to transplant procedures
- NOTE 24 Services provided to Canadian citizens, including newborns, are not covered.
- NOTE 25 Out-patient fee 0155OP is not payable when the sole purpose for an out-patient visit is to administer laboratory tests, diagnostic radiology or diagnostic ultrasound procedures.
- NOTE 26 IFH will reimburse for the cost of radiopharmaceuticals (products) to hospitals/lab/imaging clinics:

  a) when product purchased/ordered in advance of a service and the client ceases to be eligible after the product is purchased/ordered but before the scheduled service date.

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- b) the product was purchased/ordered within a maximum of 2 weeks before the scheduled procedure, and the client was eligible on the date the product was purchased/ordered (submit the printout of the eligibility query screen with time stamp, copy of a dated order confirmation or receipt),
- c) IFH will reimburse only for the cost of the product as per invoice amount. All other fees/services will not be reimbursed.
- d) Note, in situations where the client is still covered under the same plan on the date of service, providers will be reimbursed as per respective P/T fee code and/or IFH main or secondary facility fee.
- e) The following procedures are eligible:

Venography

Cardioangiography

Myocardial Perfusion Scintigraphy

Myocardial Scintigraphy

Myocardial Wall Motion

Adrenal Scintigraphy

Thyroid Scintigraphy

Thyroid uptake and repeat

Parathyroid Scintigraphy

Shilling test

Malabsorption test

Gastrointestinal (protein/ blood loss, transit)

Calcium absorption

Abdominal Scintigraphy

Calcium absorption/excretion

Gastro-oesophageal reflux and absorption

Abdominal Scintigraphy

Bilary Scintigraphy

Salivary Gland Scintigraphy

Liver Scintigraphy

Spleen Scintigraphy

Renal Scintigraphy

Bone marrow Scintigraphy

Bone Scintigraphy

Gallium Scintigraphy

**CSF Circulation** 

**Brain Scintigraphy** 

Perfusion lung Scintigraphy

Ventilation Lung Scintigraphy

Lymphangiogram

Scintimammography

Testicular and Scrotal Scintigraphy

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Leukocyte Scintigraphy

Positron Emission Tomography

Single-photon emission computed tomography (SPECT)

NOTE 27 - Providers must include on the claim a written diagnosis or ICD code that provides clinical information or diagnosis relating to a disease or symptom for which genetic testing is indicated.

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