

DRAFT Orthoptists 2007

NATIONAL REFERENCE PRICE LIST IN RESPECT OF ORTHOPTISTS WITH EFFECT FROM 1 JANUARY 2007

The following reference price list is not a set of tariffs that must be applied by medical schemes and/or providers. It is rather intended to serve as a baseline against which medical schemes can individually determine benefit levels and health service providers can individually determine fees charged to patients. Medical schemes may, for example, determine in their rules that their benefit in respect of a particular health service is equivalent to a specified percentage of the national health reference price list. It is especially intended to serve as a basis for negotiation between individual funders and individual health care providers with a view to facilitating agreements which will minimise balance billing against members of medical schemes. Should individual medical schemes wish to determine benefit structures, and individual providers determine fee structures, on some other basis without reference to this list, they may do so as well.

In calculating the prices in this schedule, 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.

VAT EXCLUSIVE PRICES APPEAR IN BRACKETS.

ITEMS					
Code	Description	Ver	Add	Orthoptists	
				RVU	Fee
001	Orthoptic consultation (Ocular motility assessment, comprehensive examination)	04.00		10.000	81.30 (71.30)
003	Orthoptic treatment (Ocular motility imbalance)	04.00		8.700	70.70 (62.00)
005	Orthoptic consultation (Hess chart)	04.00		11.100	90.20 (79.10)
007	Orthoptic visual fields charting or field of binocular single vision	04.00		21.700	176.40 (154.70)
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).	04.00		-	-