

**Sub Acute Facilities 2006**

**NATIONAL REFERENCE PRICE LIST IN RESPECT OF PRIVATE SUB ACCUTE FACILITIES WITH A "049" PRACTICE NUMBER, WITH EFFECT FROM 1 JANUARY 2006**

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.

**GENERAL RULES**

B	The charges are indicated in the relevant column opposite the item codes.	04.00
C	Procedure for the classification of private sub-acute facilities:  i) Inspections of private sub-acute facilities having practice code numbers commencing with the digits "049" will be conducted by an independent agency on behalf of BHF. Applications to be addressed in writing to BHF.  ii) The provisions referred to in D.1.1 shall apply mutatis mutandis to all private sub-acute facilities such as post-natal units, rehabilitation units and psychiatric units.	04.00
D	All accounts submitted by private sub-acute facilities shall comply with all of the requirements of Chapter 2, Regulation 5, promulgated in terms of the Medical Schemes Act, Act No. 131 of 1998. Such accounts shall also reflect the practice code number and name of the attending practitioner.	04.00
E	All accounts containing items, which are subject to a discount in terms of the rates shall indicate such items individually and shall show separately the gross amount of the discount.	04.00

**SCHEDULE**

**1 ACCOMMODATION**

**Ward Fees**

	Private sub-acute facilities shall indicate the exact time of admission and discharge on all accounts.  Patients admitted as day patients shall be charged half daily rate if discharged before 23h00 on the same date:  The following will be applicable to items 001, 010, 013, 015, 017, 105 and 020 On the day of admission: If accommodation is less than 12 hours from time of admission: half the daily rate. If accommodation is more than 12 hours from time of admission: full daily rate. On day of discharge: If accommodation is less than 12 hours: half the daily rate. If accommodation is more than 12 hours: full daily rate.  Two half-day fees would be applicable when a patient is transferred internally between any ward and any sub-acute unit.	04.00
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**1.1 General Wards**

Code	Description	Ver	Add	Sub-Acute Facilities	
				RVU	Fee
001	Ward fee, per day	04.00		10.000	680.30 (596.80)

**1.2 Rehabilitation units**

	The following high function rehabilitation impairment categories will be treated in recognised and accredited specialised rehabilitation units of private sub-acute facilities: Stroke, Brain dysfunction (traumatic and non-traumatic), Spinal cord dysfunction (traumatic and non-traumatic), Orthopaedic (lower joint replacements), Amputation (lower extremity), Cardiac, Pulmonary, Major multiple trauma. Other neurological or orthopaedic impairments will require specific letters of motivation.	04.00		
101	General ward/facility fee: under 5 hours stay	04.00	2.227	151.50 (132.90)
105	General care (ward/supporting facilities and equipment)	04.00	10.286	699.80 (613.90)
	Note: The maxima may be modified in individual cases on specific motivation from the doctor-in-charge.	04.00		

**1.3 Psychiatric Rehabilitation Unit**

	The following psychiatric categories will be treated in recognised and accredited specialised psychiatric units of private sub-acute facilities: Depression, Bipolar mood disorder, Anxiety disorder, Organic mood disorder, Dementia, Psychological behavioural disorder, Schizophrenia, Mental retardation, Eating disorder, Nonorganic sleep disorder, Sexual dysfunction (not by organic disorder) and Mental behaviour disorder (ass pueperium), will require specific letters of motivation. Inclusive of all specialised psychiatric equipment, monitors, etc.	04.00		
003	Ward fee: with overnight stay (specific motivation from the doctor-in-charge) (ward/supporting facilities and equipment)	04.00	10.430	709.60 (622.50)
005	General ward fee: under 5 hours stay	04.00	2.266	154.20 (135.30)
007	General ward fee: without overnight stay	04.00	5.392	366.80 (321.80)

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<b>2</b>	<b>STANDARD MATERIAL CHARGES</b>			
<b>2.1</b>	<b>Ward stock</b>			
	The amount charged in respect of dispensed 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).			05.03
	In relation to other ward stock (materials and/or medicines), the amount charged shall not exceed the net acquisition price (inclusive of VAT) or the exit price as determined in terms of Act No 101 of 1965.			
419	Ward stock	04.00		-
<b>2.2</b>	<b>Gases</b>			
	Oxygen, ward use Fee for oxygen, per quarter hour of part thereof.			04.00
284	PWV area	04.00	1.000	4.07 (3.57)
710	Cape Town	04.00	1.659	6.75 (5.92)
711	Port Elizabeth	04.00	1.592	6.48 (5.68)
712	East London	04.00	1.532	6.24 (5.47)
713	Durban	04.00	1.296	5.27 (4.62)
714	Other areas	04.00	1.234	5.02 (4.40)