

Physiotherapists (as at 1 November 2009)

Service code	Description of assessment	Fee*
PA001	<p>Initial consultation</p> <p>A consultation with the physiotherapist including the following elements –</p> <p>Subjective assessment – of the following points as required:</p> <p>Major symptoms and lifestyle dysfunction; current history and treatment; past history and treatment; pain, 24-hour behaviour, aggravating and relieving factors; general health, medication, risk factors.</p> <p>Objective assessment – of the following points as required:</p> <p>Movement – active, passive, resisted, repeated; muscle tone, spasm, weakness; accessory movements, passive intervertebral movements etc. Appropriate procedures/tests as indicated.</p> <p>Appropriate initial management, treatment or advice - based on assessment findings that could include the following as required:</p> <p>Provisional diagnosis; goals of treatment; treatment plan. Discussions with the patient regarding working hypothesis and treatment goals and expected outcomes; initial treatment and response; advice regarding home care including any exercise programs to be followed.</p> <p>Documentation of consultation – as required that could include:</p> <p>The assessment findings, physiotherapy intervention(s), evaluation of interventions, plan for future treatment and results of other relevant tests and warnings (if applicable).</p> <p>Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Individual services provided in rooms, home or hospital; hydrotherapy treatment; extended treatments; and services provided outside of normal business hours. 	\$68.00

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Courtesy communication by the physiotherapist with the medical practitioner such as acknowledgement of referral. ▪ The physiotherapist's brief communication with the medical practitioner regarding the injured worker's management. <p>Does not include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Any oral or written communication by the physiotherapist with a third party initiated by or requested by the insurer and/or the employer relating to the treatment or rehabilitation of a specific worker (such as suitable work duties). ▪ Communication by the physiotherapist with a third party initiated by or requested by the insurer and/or employer. This service has a specific item number in this Table (PK001). ▪ Physiotherapist's involvement in case conferences. The physiotherapist's involvement in case conferences has a specific item number in this Table (PQ001). 	
PB001	<p>Standard consultation</p> <p>Consultation for one body area or condition including the following elements –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ subjective re-assessment; ▪ objective re-assessment; ▪ appropriate management, intervention or advice; ▪ documentation of consultation. <p>Includes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Individual services provided in rooms, home or hospital; hydrotherapy treatment; extended treatments; and services provided outside of normal business hours. ▪ Courtesy communication by the physiotherapist with the medical practitioner such as acknowledgement of referral. <p>Does not include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Any oral or written communication by the physiotherapist with a third party initiated by or requested by the insurer and/or the employer relating to the treatment or rehabilitation of a specific worker (such as suitable work duties). 	\$54.60

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Communication by the physiotherapist with a third party initiated by or requested by the insurer and/or employer. This service has a specific item number in this Table (PK001). ▪ Physiotherapist's involvement in case conferences. The physiotherapist's involvement in case conferences has a specific item number in this Table (PQ001). 	
PC001	<p>Two distinct areas of treatment per visit</p> <p>Same description as PB001 except relates to the treatment/management of 2 distinct areas/conditions</p>	<p>Set fee</p> <p>\$69.05</p>
PG001	<p>Group consultation – per person</p> <p>Includes non-individualised services provided to more than one individual whether –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ in rooms, home or hospital; ▪ hydrotherapy treatment; ▪ extended treatments; ▪ services provided outside of normal business hours. 	<p>Cost per participant</p> <p>\$16.80</p>
PE001	<p>Worksite visit - prior approval from insurer required.</p> <p>Prior to a worksite evaluation, consideration of details such as relevance to injury; intended outcomes; likely duration and reporting requirements should be made and discussed with the insurer with a suggested maximum duration of 2 hours.</p> <p>Does not include reports or travel.</p>	<p>Hourly rate**</p> <p>\$155.10</p>
	<p>Reports</p> <p>Any report relating to a specific worker required by or requested by -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ medical specialist; ▪ medical practitioner; ▪ employer; ▪ insurer. <p>Excludes courtesy communication such as acknowledgement of referral and brief updates to the medical practitioner.</p>	

<p>PR001</p>	<p>Progress/Standard report</p> <p>Report should contain summarised information or assessment findings, treatment services provided, results obtained with specific recommendations for further management and return to work if applicable.</p>	<p>Set fee</p> <p>\$68.00</p>
<p>PR002</p>	<p>Comprehensive report</p> <p>As above for progress/standard report and contains information relating to more detailed assessments and interventions performed.</p> <p>The specific requirements for a comprehensive report must be discussed with the insurer prior to approval with a suggested maximum duration of 2 hours.</p>	<p>Hourly rate**</p> <p>\$155.10</p>
<p>PT001</p>	<p>Travel</p> <p>Travel when the most appropriate management of the patient requires the provider to travel away from their normal practice. The insurer must provide pre-approval for travel in excess of one hour.</p> <p>If services are provided to more than one worker before leaving a venue, the fee for the journey is to be apportioned equally between workers.</p>	<p>Hourly rate**</p> <p>\$124.10</p>
<p>PQ001</p>	<p>Case conferences</p> <p>Face-to-face or telephone communication involving the physiotherapist with one or more of the following –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> doctor, employer, insurer/claims manager, rehabilitation providers and worker. <p>The aim of the case conference is to plan, implement, manage or review treatment options and/or rehabilitation plan.</p>	<p>\$15.60</p> <p>per 6 minute block</p>
<p>PK001</p>	<p>Communication</p> <p>Any requested or required oral communication by the physiotherapist with relevant parties (treating medical practitioners, employers and insurers) relating to the treatment or rehabilitation of a specific worker.</p> <p>Excludes courtesy communication such as acknowledgement of referral and brief updates to the medical practitioner.</p>	<p>\$15.60</p> <p>per 6 minute block</p> <p>Maximum time allowable per communication of 30 minutes</p>

PS001	<p>Specific Physiotherapy Assessment – prior approval from insurer required.</p> <p>Includes specific types of assessments not classified elsewhere in these scales required by the insurer which physiotherapists may undertake (e.g. diagnostic ultrasound imaging, Functional Capacity Assessments (FCE's), seating and wheelchair assessments).</p>	<p>Hourly rate**</p> <p>\$155.10</p>
PW001	<p>Specific Physiotherapy Intervention – prior approval from insurer required (* replaces PD001).</p> <p>Includes treatments not classified elsewhere in these scales required by the insurer which physiotherapist may undertake (e.g. treatment of severe multiple area trauma, burns, neurologically injured patients and patients with severe spinal injuries, ergonomic corrections of workplace, specialised real-time ultrasound imaging, short consultations).</p>	<p>Hourly rate**</p> <p>\$155.10</p> <p>Max duration of service provision 2 hours</p>

* Exclusive of GST

** Denotes that where the service provided is a fraction of one hour, the amount chargeable is to be calculated as that fraction of the maximum amount.