

To Whom it may concern:

I would like to query the ACC payments specifically to Chiropractors vs GP's.

As a Chiropractor we are paid \$27.49 per visit vs a GP \$36.82 for the same 15 minute consultation. Why the difference?

However, if you are a community services card holder ACC will contribute \$61.33 to your 15 min appointment however this is not offered to the Chiropractic profession. If you are a dependent of a Community Service Card holder ACC will pay \$67.32, again this is not offered to the Chiropractic profession.

I have many patients requesting/enquiring about the Community services Card prices however we don't offer anything different as its not subsidized by ACC/government. Any discount comes from the Practice, if any.

Again the price of a GP visit is subsidized if you enroll at their GP clinic, again the MOH does not offer this to the Chiropractic profession.
Why not?

Treatment of under 14's ACC will contribute \$65.48 for the 15min consult, \$27.49 for Chiropractors for the same 15min consultation.

Why the difference?

We could also treat for free?

I cannot understand why the ACC contributions are different for GP's and Chiropractors as both are Primary Health Providers.

These rules appear to be archaic and need to be brought up to date.

Yours sincerely

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