OSMV Form Fee Items For Optometrists

Effective June 1 2006 the Office of the Superintendent of Motor Vehicles (OSMV) will pay for certain driver fitness assessments including Driver Medical Examination forms required for people with medical conditions. OSMV is making this change in response to a BC Human Rights Tribunal decision that established the principle that it is discriminatory to make drivers with medical conditions pay for tests required to assess their fitness to drive.

Therefore, for dates of service effective June 1, 2006 you may submit claims to MSP for payment of the following three OSMV forms. The forms are identifiable by the inclusion of the MSP fee item and a box for the personal health number. If either the date of service or date the form was issued is prior to June 1, 2006 the claim will not be accepted.

96223- OSMV-Visual Field Test (VFT) and Examination of Visual

Functions (EVF) conducted by an optometrist as part of the same examination/at the same time-----\$102.00

Notes:

- i. Fee items 96224 or 96225 are not billable in addition.
- ii. Only optometrists registered and approved for visual fields testing with MSP may bill this fee code.
- iii. This fee may only be claimed when specifically requested by the Superintendent of Motor Vehicles
- iv. Patient birth date is required on the claims submission.
- V . Patient driver's licence number is required on the claims submission (Driver's licence number must be entered in the first 7 spaces of the note or comment field)
- vi .MSP fee items 02899, 02898, 02897 and 02893 are not billable in addition.
- vii. Repeat VFT/EVF is not payable to any practitioner within 3 months.

96224-OSMV Examination of Visual Function (EVF) conducted by an

- optometrist (does not include visual fields)------\$70.00 Notes:
 - i. Not billable with fee items 96223 or 96225.
 - ii. This fee item may only be claimed when specifically requested by the Superintendent of Motor Vehicles.
 - iii. Patient birth date is required on the claims submission.
 - iv. Patient driver's licence number is required on the claims submission. (Driver's licence number must be entered in the first 7 spaces of the note or comment field)
 - v. MSP Fee items 02899, 02898 and 02897 are not billable in addition.
 - vi. Repeat VFT/EVF is not payable to any practitioner within 3 months.

96225- OSMV Visual Field Test (VFT) conducted by an optometrist as a stand-alone test-----\$42.00

Notes:

- i. Not billable with fee item 96223 or 96224.
- ii. Only optometrists registered and approved for visual fields testing with MSP may bill for this fee code.
- iii. This fee may only be claimed when specifically requested by the Superintendent of Motor Vehicles.
- iv. Patient birth date is required on the claims submission.
- v. Patient driver's licence number is required on the claims submission. (Driver's licence number must be entered in the first 7 spaces of the note or comment field)
- vi. MSP fee item 02893 is not billable in addition.
- vii. Repeat VFT/EVF is not payable to any practitioner within 3 months.

If you have questions about the OSMV forms please contact the Office of the Superintendent of Motor Vehicles by calling: 250-356-5964 (number available until September 1, 2006) After this date please call the number listed on the forms.

For billing questions: Please contact claims billing support by calling toll free: Vancouver 604-456-6950 Rest of BC 1-866-456-6950