



**Fees & Charges
for
Non-NHS
Services**

PLEASE GIVE THIS INFORMATION SLIP TO THE PERSON WHO HAS REQUESTED YOU TO SUPPLY A LETTER FROM YOUR GP AND INSTRUCT THEM TO WRITE DIRECTLY TO US AT THE PRACTICE.

THEY WILL NEED TO REQUEST THE INFORMATION THEY REQUIRE, WHY THEY REQUIRE IT AND TO WHOM WE SHOULD REPLY. WE REQUIRE THEM TO ENCLOSE A MANDATE, SIGNED BY YOURSELF, CONSENTING TO THEM RECEIVING MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU.

THEY WILL BE EXPECTED TO PAY A FEE FOR THIS REPORT AND WE WILL SEND THEM AN INVOICE.

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Why do GPs sometimes charge fees?

The National Health Service provides most health care to most people free of charge, but there are exceptions. Sometimes the charge is made because the service is not covered by the NHS, for example, providing copies of health records or producing medical reports for insurance companies.

GPs are not employed by the NHS: they are self-employed, and have to cover costs for NHS work, but not for non-NHS work.

What is covered by the NHS and what is not?

The Government's contract with the GPs covers medical services to NHS patients, including the provision of ongoing medical treatment. In recent years however more and more organisations have been involving doctors in a whole range of medical work. Sometimes the only reason that GPs are asked is because they are in a position of trust in the community, or because the insurance company or employer wants to ensure that information provided to them is true and accurate.

Certificates/Forms

Certificates, Forms, Letters £25

- Proof of Fit/Unfit for Work
- Insurance Claim Form
- Passport/Driving Licence
- Community Service Exemption
- Food Workers Certificate
- Holiday Cancellation Form
- Fitness to Travel
- Vaccination Certificate

Medical Examinations

LGV; PCV, Pre– Employment	£130
Solicitor's Report (from records)	£130
Limited Report from records	£70
DNA Paternity Testing	£30
Examination with Report (Solicitors Request)	£160
Private Medical Consultation (per hour)	£210
Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority	£50
Guardianship/Welfare Medical	£160
Other requests considered	POA
<u>Shotgun Certificate Report</u>	
Medical Required	£105
Appt Required to complete certificate	£50
Certificate Only	£25

Access to Medical Records Under Data Protection Act

Copies of complete medical record (provided by encrypted email)	£0
Access to View Medical Records (by Appointment only)	£0

PIP/DWP Requests for Information Free of Charge

The practice can provide a copy of the Electronic Summary Report from your records containing a list of your medical conditions and medication list.

REQUEST FOR LETTERS FOR THIRD PARTIES

From time to time our patients request information on behalf of third parties.

Whilst we are happy to assist where medical information is required, there will be a charge attached to any such request to provide evidence of something that is not covered by the NHS, and so please think carefully before making such a request eg a letter confirming your registered address. We would ask that you give at least 48 hours notice for any of these requests, and we will endeavour to meet the timescale you require.

Often patients themselves are perfectly able to provide a description of their medical problems and how these affect their needs. This has the advantage that the information is given to the organisation in lay terms which should be easily understood by the non-medical staff.

If there is a requirement for a more detailed medical report, then the requestor should contact the Practice directly with the patients consent.

These requests are not part of the NHS service, and so a charge will be made to the requestor.

The GPs in this practice will therefore not routinely provide third-parties with medical reports or letters, which are requested via our patients.

Please use the tear off page in this booklet to give to the person requesting you ask your GP for a letter.