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Guideline for Diabetes Care

Minute of Commission 02-022

Approval of Guideline Diabetes Care

Pursuant to Section 5(1)(c), 24(1), and Section 37(5) of the *Medicare Protection Act*, the following guideline will apply with respect to the *Medical Services Commission Payment Schedule*:

Diabetes Care

This guideline will be used in the determination of benefits payable under the *Medicare Protection Act*.

Effective: June 1, 2002

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Guideline for Clinical Management of Chronic Hepatitis B

Minute of Commission 02-023

Approval of Guideline Clinical Management of Chronic Hepatitis B

Pursuant to Section 5(1(c), 24(1), and Section 37(5) of the *Medicare Protection Act*, the following guideline will apply with respect to the *Medical Services Commission Payment Schedule*:

Clinical Management of Chronic Hepatitis B

This guideline will be used in the determination of benefits payable under the *Medicare Protection Act*.

Effective: June 1, 2002

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Guideline for Clinical Management of Chronic Hepatitis C

Minute of Commission 02-024

Approval of Guideline Clinical Management of Chronic Hepatitis C

Pursuant to Section 5(1(c), 24(1), and Section 37(5) of the *Medicare Protection Act*, the following guideline will apply with respect to the *Medical Services Commission Payment Schedule*:

Clinical Management of Chronic Hepatitis C

This guideline will be used in the determination of benefits payable under the *Medicare Protection Act*.

Effective: June 1, 2002

Guidelines and protocols can be obtained by contacting MSP at 250 952-1347 or by faxing 250 952-1417. Guidelines and protocols are also posted on the MSP web site: http://www.healthservices.gov.bc.ca/msp/protoguides. Please e-mail your questions or comments to: http://www.healthservices.gov.bc.ca/msp/protoguides. Please e-mail your questions or comments to: http://www.healthservices.gov.bc.ca/msp/protoguides. Please e-mail your questions or comments to: http://www.healthservices.gov.bc.ca/msp/protoguides. Please e-mail your questions or comments to: http://www.healthservices.gov.bc.ca/msp/protoguides.

CMQ02-007

Change to Guideline for Use of Hematology Profile in Adults

The hematology fee item (90205) has recently been modified to include platelet count. Consequently, text in the scope of the guideline, *Use of Hematology Profile in Adults*, has been changed as indicated in **bold** print below:

This guideline applies to the use of the hematology profile (fee item 90205) as a diagnostic and monitoring test in adults (age 19 and older). The hematology profile is defined as a panel of tests including automated hemoglobin, white blood cell count, **platelet count**, hematocrit, red blood cell indices, and differential white cell count when indicated.

The updated guideline is available at: http://www.healthservices.gov.bc.ca/msp/protoguides/gps/hematology.pdf

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