

Army reports*	£78.00	<u>Pre-employment medical and reports</u>	
Attendance Allowances *	£40.20		
Blood test for insurance	£30.00	Private*	£228.00
Blood test - paternity via solicitor only*	£48.00	Local Authority*	£144.72
BUPA reports	£106.80	NHS worker *	£56.52
CICA*	£46.80	POA without visit	£80.00
Claims forms	£36.00	POA Full Visit and Certificate*	£150.00
Clinical Waste forms	no charge	Pregnancy test	£15.60
Coroners report	no charge	Private certificates	£26.40
Court of Protection*	£67.80	Private consultations GP	£72.00
Cremation papers	£82.00	Private consultation Nurse	£24.00
Confirmation Letter of medicine for hand luggage	£20.00	Private Home Visit	£150.00
Disability living allowances*	£40.20	Private Tel consultation	£30.00
DS1500*	£20.40	Private letter*	£36.00
DVLA*	£57.60	Private prescriptions	£25.00
Elderly fitness to drive	£50.00	Private ECG'S	£48.00
Diabetic fitness to drive	£50.00	Solicitor reports*	£113.50
Fitness to travel/fly/attend		Short Doctors Letter (i.e. travel, school, housing, Uni, TWIMC, benefits)	£15.00
No examination	£25.00	Long Doctors Letter in depth	£30.00
With examination	£54.00	Veterans Agency*	£39.09

Fostering Examinations

AH (medical of carer)*	£73.86
AH2 (update of carer)*	£29.23
C, D, YP and AME (full medical of child)	£180.00
IHA (medical of looked after child)	£258.00
M, B (obstetric neonatal reports)	£53.94
Further info	£28.92
HGV/PSV/ Taxi examination*	£144.00
Holiday cancellation	£36.00
Insurance reports	£106.80
Kent County Constabulary*	£53.28
Kent County Council*	£27.60
Medical examination	£197.40
Mouth swab sampling/hair test *	£48.00
Occupational health	£50.40

THE PRACTICE DO NOT CERTIFY SHOTGUN CERTIFICATES OR COUNTERSIGN PASSPORT FORMS

Vaccination Fees for Travel

Cholera	£22.00
Hepatitis B x 3	£125.00
Hepatitis booster	£40.00
Japanese B Encephalitis	£150.00
Meningitis ([or Travel)	£35.00
Rabies x 3	£145.00
Rabies booster	£45.00
Tick Bourne Encephalitis	£180.00

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NORTHGATE MEDICAL PRACTICE

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FEEES FOR SERVICES NOT AVAILABLE ON THE NHS



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WHY DO GP'S CHARGE?

The following has been taken from the British Medical Association (BMA) website and covers the questions that you may wish to ask:

Isn't the NHS suppose to be free?

The NHS provides health care to most people free of charge, but there are exceptions: prescription charges have existed since 1951 and there are a number of other services for which fees are charged. The charge is made to cover some of the cost of administration and/or treatment because the service is not covered by the NHS, for example, medical reports for insurance companies.

Surely the Doctor is being paid anyway?

It is important to understand that GP's are not employed by the NHS, they are self-employed and they have to cover their costs—administration staff, buildings, heating, lighting etc in the same way as any business. The NHS covers costs for NHS work, but for non-NHS work the fee has to cover the Practice costs.

What is covered by the NHS and what is not?

The Government contract with GP's cover medical services to NHS patients. In recent years, more organisations have been involving Doctors in a whole range of non-medical work. Sometimes the only reason that the GPs are asked is because they are in a position of trust in the community, or because an insurance company or employer wants to be sure that information provided is true and accurate.

Examples of non-NHS services for which GPs can charge NHS patients are:

- Certain travel vaccinations
- Private medical insurance reports
- Typed reports medical records
- Letter verifying illness for schools and examination boards

Examples for non-NHS services for which GP's can charge institutions are:

- Medical reports for an insurance company
- Some reports for the DWP/Benefits Agency
- Examinations of local authority employees

Why does it sometimes take my GP a long time to complete my form?

Time spent completing forms and preparing reports takes the GP away from the medical care of his/her patients. Most GPs have a very heavy workload, the majority of GPs work up to 70 hours a week. Paperwork and administration takes up an increasing amount of their time, many GPs find they have to take paperwork home at night and weekends.

I only need the doctors signature, what's the problem?

When a Doctor signs a certificate or completes a report, it is a condition of remaining on the GMC Register that they only sign what they know to be true. In order to complete even the simplest of forms, therefore, the Doctor might have to check the patients entire medical record. Carelessness or any inaccurate report can have serious consequences for the Doctor with the General Medical Council or even the police.

What will I be charged?

The BMA recommend that GP's tell patients in advance if they will be charged, and how much. It is up to the individual Doctor to decide how much to charge, but the BMA produces lists of suggested fees which many Doctors use.

What can I do to help?

- Not all documents need signature by a Doctor. For example, you could ask another person in a position of trust who may be willing to sign a document free of charge.
- Do NOT expect your GP to process forms urgently as this work is secondary to the care of patients and dealt with routinely. If the request is deemed urgent this will be discussed on an individual basis.

BMA RECOMMENDED FEES

The following charges are for services not offered under the NHS and are within the British Medical Association recommended guidelines.

Northgate Medical Practice is registered for VAT No 879 137 184 and the prices stated below with an * do include VAT at the standard rate.

VAT Disclaimer—VAT is an inherently complicated area and whilst the charges reflect the general VAT position, the specific purpose of the service provided may affect the VAT status of the fee charged.