

CHARGES TO PATIENTS FOR NON-NHS SERVICES FOR The Village Surgery, Timperley

Dear patient,

Did you know that under the NHS terms of services, GP practices are NOT required to provide the following services. It is left for the individual GP Practices to decide whether they will do them or not. If they agree, these services are chargeable, and the fees detailed below will be applied.

For simple things which require a few notes and a signature, you may be wondering why some of the charges look a little high. Please remember – you are not paying for the simplicity but for the responsibility that the signature carries. We also feel these fees are entirely reasonable – simple certificates issued by solicitors and other professional organisations often charge a lot more! And doctors prefer to spend their time on making your health better than filling forms!

Before you request anything...

The Village Surgery's fee for doing these things are detailed below. However, you must obey three rules before we will do them.

1. Patients are expected to pay FIRST for any of these before they are done.

No report will be done nor released until the fee has been paid first. This is necessary because the practice has several letters done every year which patients have not collected, nor paid for, but has involved a lot of our GP time doing them.

2. Please do not book an appointment with the doctor to request any of the items below.

Instead, contact one of our reception staff who will organise it all for you.

3. You need to sign a consent form

For any letter or form: you must ensure that you must sign a consent form to enable us to release medical information about you.

CERTIFICATES

Private sick/fit note	£30 (including if return to work note required)
Fitness to travel	£40
Freedom from infection certificate	£40
Holiday cancellation certificate	£50; if examination required £120
Firearms certificate	£30
Bus pass form	£25
Photograph endorsement	£25
Any other certificate	£40
Any other certificate that requires an examination or review of medical notes will attract an ADDITIONAL fee of £40	
Duplicate certificates	£10

LETTERS

Letters confirming address/registration	£20 per person
Health club report that person is fit	£40
Support letters	£35 (e.g. blue badge)
Schools/Colleges/Universities	£30
Employment report	£40 (if short), £80 (if medium), £120 (if long and detailed)
To Whom It May Concern letters	£30 if short (one paragraph). £40 if long (>1 paragraph); additional £10 for urgent requests
Other forms taking >20 mins	£80, if very detailed £130
Referral to Private Doctor (NHS)	£25 (only that which we would not normally refer if on NHS)

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FORMS/REPORTS

Private Medical Insurance Form	£130 i.e. the application form, not the claim form
Accident/Sickness Claim form	£40 (1 page form)
(e.g. for private medical insurance)	£80 (2 page form)
	£100 (3 page form)
	£130 (if examination requested too)
Employer requesting opinion/report	£50 (no examination), £150 (with examination)
Pharmaceutical trials report	£130
OFSTED child minder health form	£90
Proforma for gender recognition	£80
Power of Attorney/Court of Protection	£130 if in practice £180 if at home
Capacity Assessment Solicitor Request	£130 if in practice £180 if at home

eGPR we charge £95. For those solicitors who say they pay less, write back and say "Our fee is £95 and we will only do it for this figure".

MEDICALS

Taxi Driver Medical	£120
HGV/LGV medical	£120
Adoption Medical	£120
Elderly driver fitness certificate	£100 (includes full medical, with examination)
Pre-employment medical with report	£150
Seat belt exemption with full medical	£150
CICA	£50
PIP	£33.50

VACCINATIONS & BLOODS

Private vaccinations – we do not offer this service.

Private blood tests – we do not offer this service.

PRIVATE CONSULTATIONS

For those patients who are visiting the UK and whose home country does not have a reciprocal health care agreement with the UK.

GP Consultation	£50 (10 mins), £25 for every 5 mins thereafter
Telephone consultation	£25 (max 15 mins)
Prescription	£25
Home Visit	£100 (remember, additional charges if prescription or further tests required)
Blood test appointment	we do not offer this service
Referral letter	£25

More complex forms may be charged at a higher rate based on the time taken to complete and process the form