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## **Implementation of an uplift to primary maternity fees**

The Minister of Health has approved publication of an amendment to the Primary Maternity Service Notice 2007 (the Notice). This amendment will implement an increase in fees for all modules of care, with the exception of specialist modules.

The Notice includes the ability to make financial adjustments to the fee schedule without opening the Notice for full review. The draft Primary Maternity Services Amendment Notice 2019 (the Amendment Notice) and new fee schedule is attached as Appendix 1.

Schedule 1 of the Amendment Notice will put in place a 4.93 percent increase in fees (GST exclusive). Appendix 2 lists the modules for which fees have been increased.

The Ministry will publish the Amendment Notice in the New Zealand Gazette and on the Ministry's website [www.health.govt.nz](http://www.health.govt.nz) on 27 June 2019.

Apart from the Amendment Notice, all other parts of the Notice remain the same (Parts A, B, C, D and Schedule 2) and continue to be applicable.

The Ministry expects to action the 2019 fee increase in the payments system on 1 July 2019.

The application of the new fees to claims is determined by the date of service. The date of service is the last date of the period to which the module of service applies. Claims with service dates on or after 1 July 2019 will be paid the increased fees as per Schedule 1 of the Amendment Notice.

If you have any queries about the Amendment Notice and the implementation process, please email [primarymaternity@health.govt.nz](mailto:primarymaternity@health.govt.nz) or call 0800 855 066 (select Option 2 when prompted).

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Schedule 1

LMC First and Second Trimester Full
LMC First and Second Trimester First Partial
LMC First and Second Trimester Last Partial
LMC Third Trimester Full
LMC Third Trimester First Partial
LMC Third Trimester Last Partial
LMC Labour and Birth First Birth
LMC Labour and Birth VBAC
LMC Labour and Birth Subsequent Birth
LMC Labour and Birth with General Practitioner or Obstetrician First Birth
LMC Labour and Birth with General Practitioner or Obstetrician VBAC
LMC Labour and Birth with General Practitioner or Obstetrician Subsequent Birth
LMC Homebirth Supplies and Support
LMC Birthing Unit Support
LMC Labour and Birth (Exceptional Circumstances)
LMC Labour and Birth (Rural Support)
LMC Services Following Birth Inpatient Full
LMC Services Following Birth Inpatient First Partial
LMC Services Following Birth Inpatient Last Partial
LMC Services Following Birth No Inpatient Full
LMC Services Following Birth No Inpatient First Partial
LMC Services Following Birth No Inpatient Last Partial
LMC Additional Postnatal Visits
LMC Services Following Birth with General Practitioner or Obstetrician and Inpatient Full
LMC Services Following Birth with General Practitioner or Obstetrician and Inpatient First Partial
LMC Services Following Birth with General Practitioner or Obstetrician Inpatient Last Partial
LMC Services Following Birth with General Practitioner or Obstetrician and No Inpatient Full
LMC Services Following Birth with General Practitioner or Obstetrician and No Inpatient First Partial
LMC Services Following Birth with General Practitioner or Obstetrician and No Inpatient Last Partial
LMC Semi Rural Full
LMC Semi Rural First Partial
LMC Semi Rural Last Partial
LMC Rural Full
LMC Rural First Partial
LMC Rural Last Partial
LMC Remote Rural Full
LMC Remote Rural First Partial

LMC Remote Rural Last Partial
Non-LMC First Trimester Without Threatened Miscarriage, Miscarriage or Termination
Non-LMC First Trimester With Threatened Miscarriage, Miscarriage or Termination
Non-LMC Urgent Normal Hours Pregnancy Care
Non-LMC Urgent Out Of Hours Pregnancy Care
Non-LMC Labour and Birth (Rural Support)/Second Midwife
Non-LMC Urgent Postnatal Care