



**VETERANS AFFAIRS CANADA
PROGRAM OF CHOICE (POC) 12 – RELATED HEALTH SERVICES
SERVICE FEE UPDATE – SASKATCHEWAN**

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Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) wishes to advise you of updates to existing benefits and the introduction of one (1) new benefit code under Program of Choice (POC) 12 – Related Health Services, **effective May 1, 2023.**

The following revisions were effective May 1st, 2023

Benefit Code	Description	Revision	Benefit Information
244972	COUNSELLING THERAPIST - IN PERSON INDIVIDUAL VISIT	Renamed	Prescriber: MD, NP Pre-Authorization: MAC Frequency: 25 / CY Fee: \$135 / Hour
244969	COUNSELLING THERAPIST - VIRTUAL INDIVIDUAL VISIT	New	Prescriber: MD, NP Pre-Authorization: MAC Frequency: 25 / CY Fee: \$135 / Hour

Note: In-person and virtual visits have a combined yearly frequency of 25 hours per calendar year.

Providers shall charge the lesser of the rate charged by the provider to any patient paying cash for the same service/product or up to the maximum rate contained in the benefit grids.

For details pertaining to fees and claims submission requirements, please refer to the Claims Submission Agreement and related supporting documentation found on the Medavie Blue Cross website at www.medaviebc.ca and click on the Health Professionals link. On our website you will also find important information on how to:

- register to access our secure ePay provider portal by clicking on the Register or Update link;
- sign up for direct deposit; and
- view provider guides and benefit grids, download provider payment schedules and other important information.

Should you or your members have any questions, please contact Medavie Blue Cross at 1-888-261-4033.

Thank you for the ongoing care and service you provide to our Veterans.