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To: MDA Licensed Members
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**Enclosed is your copy of the 2024 Fee Guide. This guide represents an overall increase of 4.90%.
All Specialists fee guides will be receiving the same 4.90% overall increase.**

Similar to 2023, the MDA Economics Committee has determined that because of the higher costs of practicing in Northern Manitoba dental services that are provided north of the 53rd parallel will have a 10% higher differential in fees as compared to the rest of Manitoba. However, please note that insurance companies are not obligated to reimburse patients according to this fee guide or any other.

In distributing this Fee Guide, we draw your attention to the first three paragraphs in the Preamble to the Fee Guide:

The fees listed herein are published to serve merely as a guide. No dentist receiving this list is under any obligation to accept the fees itemized. Any dentist who does not use all or any of these fees will in no way suffer in his/her relations with the Association or any other body, group or committee affiliated with or under the control of the Manitoba Dental Association or its Board.

A genuine suggested fee guide is one which is issued merely for professional information purposes without raising any intention or expectation whatsoever that the membership will adopt the schedule for their practices.

Dentists have the right and freedom to use any dental codes that are included in the Uniform System of Coding and List of Services - 2024.

You are encouraged to carefully read the entire preamble of the Fee Guide. Also for reference purposes, please note that a unit of time is equivalent to 15 minutes of time.

Licensed dentists who provide services in Northern Manitoba can request a copy of the Northern Fee Guide directly from the Manitoba Dental Association.

In Manitoba, we are committed to providing affordable dental health care to our patients. Fees are arrived at by considering overhead costs specific to Manitoba practices and the present circumstances affecting the general Manitoba economy. The preceding is accomplished while being mindful of the need to keep our services affordable so that access to care is not affected negatively. As stated earlier, dentists have a responsibility to determine their own practice costs and decide on fees that are appropriate for their own circumstances.

If you have any questions, we encourage you to speak to any member of the Economics Committee.

Thank you.