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# Fees Payable for Private Non-NHS Work 2025 VAT Registration 879 0880 68

# Full payment is required upfront prior to any work taking place. BACS payment preferred, or Card payment only.

Please note that some work may incur a higher fee than advertised depending on the complexity. We will inform you of any additional charges as soon as they come to light.

#### Fees are non-refundable, no exceptions

# We do not provide any private work outside of this list (including gym forms, sports medicals, occupational health, Power of Attorney or Mental Capacity Assessments)

Certificates, Forms and Letters	Fee	VAT	Total
Private Sick Certificate (first seven days)	£22.08	£4.42	£26.50
'To Whom It May Concern' Letters	£42.40	Е	£42.40
Reports/Letters to Insurance Companies or Solicitors	£95.40	Е	£95.40
Private Health Insurance Claim on Proforma e.g. BUPA	£46.64	Е	£46.64
GP Signature and Practice Stamp	£23.32	£4.66	£27.98
Firearms Certificate	£106	Е	£106
Medical Examination and Reports	Fee	VAT	Total
HGV or Taxi Medical	£137.80	£27.56	£165.36
Elderly Driver Fitness to Drive	£66.25	£13.25	£79.50
Adoption Medical & Report (AH Form for new carer)	Fees paid by Essex County		
Adoption Medical & Report (AH2 Updated form for carer)	Council		
Childminder OFSTED Health Declaration Form	£103.88	£20.78	£124.66
GPR/eGPR report e.g. Life Insurance – paid for by company	£148.40	Е	£148.40
GPR report – supplementary information	£37.10	Е	£37.10
Paternity Testing	Fee set by testing company		
Travel	Fee	VAT	Total
Freedom from Infection Certificate	£38.16	£7.63	£45.79
Travelling with medication, including needles	£37.10	£7.42	£44.52
Fitness to Fly/Travel	£46.64	£9.33	£55.97
Holiday Cancellation on Proforma	£47.17	£9.43	£56.60
Holiday Cancellation – detailed report with opinion	£80.56	£16.11	£96.67
Miscellaneous	Fee	VAT	Total
Private Prescription	£15.90	£3.18	£19.08
Copy of Medical Records	First copy free of charge		
Additional provision of medical records	POA	Е	POA

## Frequently Asked Questions

#### **Private Letters**

The fees charged are based on the British Medical Association (BMA) suggested scales and our team will be happy to advise you of the charges.

We aim to have letters completed within seven working days of receiving payment.

#### Why are fees charged?

The government contract with GPs covers medical services to NHS patients. However, in recent years more and more organisations have been involving doctors in a wide range of non-NHS work. This work is not funded by the government, so GPs have to charge a fee to cover their time and other expenses.

Please note that some work may incur a higher fee than advertised depending on their complexity. We will inform you of any additional changes as soon as they come to light.

Fees are non-refundable if you do not meet the criteria for certain forms e.g., exemption forms. Please ensure that you do meet the criteria before submitting your form and payment.

#### Surely the doctor is being paid anyway?

Not all work doctors are asked to do is paid for by the NHS under the contract with GPs, therefore this work is done outside of NHS time.

This means the surgery must cover the time spent and costs - staff, buildings, heating, lighting, etc - in the same way as any small business.

#### Why do I pay upfront?

It is essential that we ask for full payment upfront to ensure the GPs valuable time is not wasted.

### Do GPs have to do non-NHS work for their patients?

With certain limited exceptions, No.

GPs do not have to carry out non-NHS work and we reserve the right to refuse.

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

Time spent completing forms and preparing reports takes place after the GP has completed the medical care of patients which will always have top priority. We aim to complete non-NHS work within three weeks of receipt of payment.

### I only need the GP's signature - what's the problem?

When a GP completes a report or writes a letter it is a condition of remaining on the medical register (which allows them to practice as a doctor), that they only sign what they know to be true. In order to complete even the simplest of forms, the doctor may have to check a patient's entire medical record.

Carelessness or an inaccurate report can have serious consequences for the doctor with the General Medical Council (the doctors' regulatory body) or even the Police.