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BACKGROUND

The Ontario Physiotherapy Association (OPA) has prepared this report to provide an overview of current market rates for physiotherapists delivering care in the private sector in Ontario. This report is intended to be a resource for physiotherapists in Ontario when setting fees for service, and to support OPA's advocacy work regarding fair and equitable funding and compensation across both private and public sectors.

This advocacy work spans a range of funding programs and care settings. It includes funding for programs such as WSIB, motor vehicle accident insurance, bundled care, and the Community Physiotherapy Clinics, as well compensation across publicly funded settings, including primary care, home care, long-term care, and hospital; helping ensure that publicly funded and regulated programs reflect the true cost and value of delivering physiotherapy care.

From the previous Fee Guideline published in 2024, the following updates have been made to the current 2026 Ontario Physiotherapy Market Rate Report:

- Visit-based market rates in addition to time-based fees
- Market rates for reproduction or transmission of medical records
- Updated travel remuneration
- Updated time-based market rates based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI)

The updated data included in this report was collected in January 2026. Note that this was part of a broader data collection regarding both compensation and fees across both private and public physiotherapy settings. The information in this report is specifically related to fees charged in the private industry.

HOW TO USE THIS DOCUMENT

This document reflects the rates most frequently reported by physiotherapists for services rendered. The document presents fees with two approaches to inform the spectrum of services rendered by a physiotherapist:

1. BY VISIT TYPE

Per-visit fees are intended to reflect common clinical practice models in which physiotherapy services are delivered and billed on a visit basis. The standard visit types include Initial Assessments, 20-minute treatment sessions, 30-minute treatment sessions, 45-minute treatment sessions, and 60-minute treatment sessions.

2. BY TIME BASED INCREMENT

Time-based fee ranges remain an important reference point for physiotherapist services that may not be tied to a single patient visit, including documentation, research, interprofessional collaboration, legal consultations, court appearances, report writing, and other professional activities that require physiotherapist expertise but cannot be accurately represented through a per-visit fee. The data presented here is data collected in 2024, which have been updated to reflect inflation between 2024 and 2026.

With both approaches, factors such as education and training, resources required, time commitments, intensity of service, skill level, and professional risk may also be considered when determining appropriate fees.

NOTES

1. The fees presented in this report reflect market data reported by physiotherapists and are intended for information, educational, and advocacy purposes. They are not mandatory, recommended, or maximum fees, and should not be interpreted as caps or limits on the fees that may be charged for physiotherapy services. Additionally, the fees included in this report do not include fees mandated by third party payers such as government, workers compensation (WSIB), auto insurance or any other insurer that sets a fee different from the usual fees of a clinic. This document also does not include remuneration that is set via contract, such as the Community Physiotherapy Clinic or Bundled Care Programs.

2. Not all physiotherapists will offer all services listed. Nevertheless, any services provided must comply with the [standards and regulations](#) regarding fees and billing established by the College of Physiotherapists of Ontario¹.

This document is not exhaustive and is not binding on members of the profession. Where appropriate and necessary, actual fees may vary from this document, and those variations could be significant.

FINDINGS

PHYSIOTHERAPIST PER-VISIT FEES

This section presents current market fees for physiotherapy services in Ontario, based on survey data collected from January 5–31, 2026. This data is representative of approximately 5% of Ontario’s physiotherapist population and 17% of OPA members, providing a representative snapshot of current private practice fees.

TABLE 1. 2026 REPORTED PER VISIT FEES FOR PHYSIOTHERAPY

Visit Type	Lowest 25%	25-50 th Percentile	50-75 th Percentile	Highest 25%	Average
Initial	\$60-\$115	\$115-\$130	\$130-\$148	\$148-\$250	\$133
20 min	\$50 - \$75	\$75 - \$80	\$80 - \$86	\$86 - \$120	\$81
30 min	\$30 - \$83	\$83 - \$90	\$90 - \$96	\$96 - \$179	\$90
45 min	\$50 - \$100	\$100 - \$115	\$115 - \$125	\$125 - \$200	\$115
60 min	\$50 - \$130	\$130 - \$150	\$150 - \$165	\$165 - \$250	\$148

The variation in fees reported may be due to several contributing factors, including but not limited to practice model and size, geographic location, level of education, and experience.

TIME BASED FEES

Time-based fee ranges may be used for services that may not be tied to a single patient visit, including documentation, research, interprofessional collaboration, legal consultations, court appearances, report writing, and other professional activities that require physiotherapist expertise but cannot be accurately represented through a per-visit fee.

The fees below are based on OPA’s 2024 baseline market data and have been adjusted to account for changes to the Healthcare Component of the Ontario Consumer Price Index, which is the best available external, objective and publicly accessible comparator when calculating annual increases to fees.

The CPI was calculated between October 2024, when the OPA published this data, and March 2026, which resulted in a 3% increase. This data supports a minimum reasonable fee range of \$25.75 to \$31.42 per 10-minute increment, or portion thereof. This will translate to:

TABLE 2. REPORTED TIME-BASED FEES FOR PHYSIOTHERAPY

Duration	Fee Range
10 minutes	\$25.75 - \$31.42
30 minutes	\$77.25 - \$94.26
45 minutes	\$115.88 - \$141.39
60 minutes	\$154.50 - \$188.52

REPRODUCTION or TRANSMISSION OF MEDICAL RECORDS

Physiotherapists may receive requests to reproduce and transmit medical records, for medical, legal or at a patient’s request. OPA does not recommend specific fees for this service. However, physiotherapists may reference the Ontario Medical Association’s fee schedule for uninsured services when determining fees. Current per-page fees and related guidance can be found in the OMA’s [Schedule for Uninsured Services](#), which is generally accepted by the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario^{2,3}.

ADDITIONAL TRAINING & EXPERTISE

Physiotherapists often have additional training, certification and/or expertise that enables them to provide a variety of services that are beyond the education and skill of an entry-level physiotherapist. These services vary greatly among practicing physiotherapists and may be subject to higher fees outside the recommended range to account for additional training, certification, equipment, or risk associated with the service.



TRAVEL REMUNERATION

Physiotherapists may travel to deliver services in residences, workplaces, schools, hospitals, athletic training and sports facilities, education and/or research centres.

Depending on the distance and duration of travel, it is a common business practice to charge anywhere from 50%-100% of the physiotherapy rate and those who elect to charge for their travel time may wish to use the time-based fees reported above. For those who charge travel by the kilometre, physiotherapists may wish to align their fees with the Government of Canada's vehicle rate used to calculate travel expenses for tax purposes, which, as of 2025, is \$0.62 per kilometre⁴.

MISSED APPOINTMENTS

Many physiotherapists define a missed appointment as one in which a client has given notice of cancellation too late for the time to be made available for another revenue-generating purpose, and the criterion for insufficient notice varies, often ranging from 24-72 hours. Providing that the client has been advised of this policy, charging up to physiotherapists' full unit rate for appointments cancelled with insufficient notice is a reasonable business practice. Please note that missed appointments do not entitle physiotherapists to unreasonably withhold care, and physiotherapists must continue to practice in accordance with Standards set by the College of Physiotherapists of Ontario⁵.

TRANSPARENCY & PATIENT CONSENT

Service fees must be fully disclosed to patients before treatment, and acknowledgement of and consent to payment of those fees should be received from the patient, or from the patient representative prior to treatment. In addition to the service fees, the anticipated number of visits and the physiotherapist's policy on missed or cancelled appointments must be disclosed and agreed upon⁵. Consent for fees should also include that fees may be subject to change based on several factors, including but not limited to:

- Changes in staffing and level of expertise
- Changes in the level of risk or complexity of services
- Changes in the equipment or training required to provide the services

When implementing fee increases, 30-60 days' notice to patients and/or their representatives is a common practice.



UPDATES TO THIS DOCUMENT

This document will be updated annually based on cost-of-living adjustments.

CONTACT OPA

If you have any questions regarding this document, please reach out to OPA at physiomail@opa.on.ca.

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