



17<sup>th</sup> November 2010

### **Change to NZAS remuneration rates for Physiotherapy – effective 16 November 2009**

With the decision by ACC to replace their current EPN physiotherapy contracts with a short term contract from 16 November 2009, SPARC and the NZAS have revised the rates that can be charged for physiotherapy services provided to carded athletes.

For those current EPN practitioners who take on the new short-term ACC contract, this results in a reduction of the contract payment from ACC of \$8.09 incl GST for an initial visit (new rate \$44.70 v \$52.79 under EPN), and \$10.53 incl GST for a follow up visit (new rate \$31.93 v \$42.46 under EPN).

To compensate for this and to recognise that EPN rates have possibly been below market rate, where a co-payment will now be charged as part of your normal business practice then that co-payment can be charged to NZAS for \$15 (incl GST) for both an initial and follow up ACC visit.

For those current EPN practitioners that revert to ACC Regulations, then the current schedule rate can be charged to the NZAS.

All sports will be informed of the above changes by ACC to EPN physiotherapy delivery, and there service credit allocations for 2010 will be adjusted appropriately to allow for the increase in cost of Physiotherapy services.

These revised rates will apply until 30 June 2010 when they will be reviewed in conjunction with our review of contracts with NZAS providers.”

If there are any issues regarding these changes please do not hesitate to contact me

Thanks

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**APPENDIX A**

**SCHEDULE OF REMUNERATION RATES**

**Physiotherapy – Specific Rates (Inc GST)**

**Effective from 16 November 2009**

	<b>ACC Short Term Contracted Physios</b>	<b>ACC Regulations Physios</b>
ACC 1 <sup>st</sup>	\$15	\$29
ACC follow up	\$15	\$17
Non ACC 1 <sup>st</sup>	\$50	\$50
Non ACC follow up	\$38	\$38
Initial consult only	\$15 per report	\$15 per report
Musculoskeletal screen	\$150.00 initial \$50 follow up	\$150.00 initial \$50 follow up