



## CANADIAN ARMED FORCES PROGRAM OF CHOICE (POC) 12—RELATED HEALTH SERVICES OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST—BENEFIT GRID UPDATE ALL PROVINCES

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The Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) wishes to advise you of the revised Occupational Therapy benefit codes in all provinces under Program of Choice (POC) 12 - Related Health Services, **effective April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.**

<b>The following revisions are effective April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022</b>			
<b>Benefit Code</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Revision</b>	<b>Benefit Information</b>
240270	Occupational Therapy In-Clinic Assessment	New code	Prescriber: MD, PA, NP, PT, or OT. Pre-Authorization: YES
240275	Occupational Therapy In-Clinic Visit	New code	Prescriber: MD, PA, NP, PT, or OT. Pre-Authorization: YES Frequency: 10/CY
240151	Occupational Therapy In-Home Assessment	Renamed	Prescriber: MD, PA, NP, PT, or OT. Pre-Authorization: YES
240110	Occupational Therapy In-Home Visit	Renamed	Prescribe: MD, PA, NP, PT, or OT. Pre-Authorization: YES Frequency: 10/CY
240163	CFHS Requested Occupational Therapy Report	Renamed	Prescriber: MD, PA, NP, PT, or OT. Pre-Authorization: YES
240150	Functional Capacity Evaluation (FCE)	Terminated	This type of assessment is done in-clinic setting.
240153	Occupational Therapist—Home Modifications/Adaptation Assessment	Terminated	This type of assessment is already covered under OT In-Home Assessment code.
240154	Occupational Therapist—Vehicle Modifications/Adaptation Assessment	Terminated	This type of assessment can be covered under OT In-Home or In-Clinic Assessment code.



240156	Home Care—Needs Assessment by OT	Terminated	This assessment can be covered under OT In-Home Assessment code.
240171	Occupational Therapist Virtual (Care/Treatment) Follow-up	Unchanged	This code is used for tele-health follow-up.

### Additional Information for Occupational Therapy Services

- Occupational Therapy In-Clinic Assessment benefit code 240270
  - must be in-person;
  - used for in-clinic/outpatient setting initial assessment;
  - includes the written report, and
  - in-clinic assessment allows OT to assess members using different standardized assessments, splint fabrication or use of specialized equipment.
- Occupational Therapy In-Clinic Visit benefit code 240275
  - in-clinic follow-ups typically include use of therapeutic exercise and activity for return to duty, upper extremity strengthening, cognitive rehabilitation, etc., and
  - a progress report must be submitted halfway through the treatment plan or at any point in time when treatment goals are modified or when new information should be shared with the healthcare team.
- Occupational Therapy In-Home Assessment benefit code 240151
  - must be in-person;
  - used for in-home initial assessments, and
  - includes the written report and associated travel to and from the member's home. Distance must be calculated from the OT's office.
- Occupational Therapy In-Home Visit benefit code 240110
  - must be in-person;
  - follow-up visits typically include ADL/IADL retraining, equipment recommendations, home modification suggestions and caregiver education, and
  - a progress report must be submitted halfway through the treatment plan or at any point in time when treatment goals are modified or when new information should be shared with the healthcare team.
- CFHS Requested Occupational Therapy Report benefit code 240163
  - this code only applies when CFHS is requesting additional written information or amendment to a report.

- Virtual Care Follow-up/Treatment benefit code 240171
  - virtual care is considered communication with members via telephone or a secure virtual platform;
  - can be combined with in-person treatment sessions (up to a maximum of 4 virtual sessions per calendar year), and
  - providers must ensure there is a plan in place to manage adverse events and emergencies.

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](http://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 have any questions, please contact Medavie Blue Cross at 1-888-261-4033.

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