

Montana WC Medical Fee Schedule Reimbursements Compared to Study States

Based on Illinois WC Fee Schedule Rates Compared to Medicare Rates

State	Overall	Major Surgery	Surgical Treatment	Radiology	General Medicine	Physical Medicine	Evaluation & Management	Relative Rank by State	Maximum Spread
Idaho	184	464	165	285	285	57	102	2	407
Oregon	106	163	155	86	100	90	85	4	78
Tennessee	85	214	211	75	58	30	65	9	184
Montana	62	188	28	137	12	27	-3	16	191
South Dakota	61	173	15	101	29	38	-1	18	175
Arkansas	60	109	110	119	30	36	28	20	91
Wyoming	57	144	8	113	43	32	9	21	136
Kansas	54	93	95	86	47	33	30	22	65
North Dakota	46	102	-12	83	14	38	13	25	114
Colorado	40	103	-14	58	57	18	29	29	116
Washington	38	38	38	38	38	38	38	30	0
Kentucky	37	121	67	31	-4	15	11	33	125
Utah	36	61	58	50	20	29	21	34	41
Hawaii	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	40	0

Selected data from Stacey Eccleston, [Illinois Fee Schedule Analysis 7/06](#), pp.9-11, in which Montana is ranked 16th 'Overall' among 42 states.

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CURRENT WC CONVERSION FACTOR

	2008	2009
Physical Medical (Chiropractic, Occupational Therapy & Physical Therapy)	\$63.45	\$65.28
Acupuncture	\$63.45	\$65.28
Medicine	\$63.45	\$65.28
Dental	\$63.45	\$65.28
Pathology	\$63.45	\$65.28
Radiology	\$63.45	\$65.28
Anesthesia	\$57.20	\$61.98
Surgery	\$63.45	\$65.28



Pursuant to Section 39-71-704 (2), MCA, the department adopted the conversion factors listed here, effective January 01, 2008, and 2009 for use with the unit values listed in the [Resource-Based Relative Value Scale](#) and incorporated in the Medical Service Rules for workers' compensation services.

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WC CONVERSION FACTOR PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2008

	2005	2006
Physical Medical (Chiropractic, Occupational Therapy & Physical Therapy)	\$5.10	\$5.26
Acupuncture	\$5.42	\$5.59
Medicine	\$5.42	\$5.59
Dental	\$10.50	\$10.83
Pathology	\$19.49	\$20.10
Radiology	\$22.46	\$23.17
Anesthesia	\$41.84	\$43.16
Surgery	\$116.41	\$120.10



Pursuant to Section 39-71-704 (4), MCA, the department adopted the following conversion factors, effective January 01, 2006, for use with the unit values listed in the Relative Values for Physicians or incorporated in the Medical Service Rules for workers' compensation services.

Conversion Factors were increased by 3.28% in conjunction with the increase of the state's annual average weekly wage.