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Updates Underserviced Area Program and Specialized Models

Increases to Underserviced Area Program (UAP) and Specialized Models physicians funding under the Physician Services Agreement effective April 1, 2021

To: Underserviced Area Program (UAP) and Specialized Models Physicians

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The Ministry of Health (ministry) and the Ontario Medical Association (OMA) have been working together to implement physician compensation increases in accordance with the 2021 Physician Services Agreement (PSA).

Effective April 1, 2021, payment elements in the UAP funding agreements and Specialized Models listed below will be increased based on the April 1, 2020 values:

Year 1 (April 1, 2021-March 31, 2022)

- A temporary increase to the contract payments of 1% will be applied as one-time payments.
- Further information on Year 1 compensation will be released at a later date.

Year 2 (April 1, 2022-March 31, 2023)

- A temporary increase to contract payments of 2.01%.
- You can expect this payment monthly starting on your first payment for Year 2 services (e.g., April 2022).

Year 3 (April 1, 2023-March 31, 2024)

- We will provide further information about Year 3 compensation increases as they become available.

Underserviced Area Program Funding Agreements:

- Northern Rural Recruitment Retention Initiative
- Northern Physician Retention Initiative
- Nursing Station Physician Outreach-Honorarium
- Nursing Station Physician Outreach-Stipend
- Nursing Station Physician Outreach-Telephone Back-up
- Psychiatry Outreach-Honorarium
- Psychiatry Outreach-Sessional
- Psychiatry Outreach-Travel Sessional
- Visiting Specialist Clinic Program-Honorarium
- Visiting Specialist Clinic Program-Sessional
- Visiting Specialist Clinic Program-Travel Sessional

Specialized Models

- Group Health Centre
- Weeneebayko Area Health Authority
- Sioux Lookout Regional Physicians Services Inc.

Please see the other INFOBulletins that affect your contract:

- [Temporary increases for primary health care services](https://health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/ohip/bulletins/redux/bul220403.aspx#_Payment_Increase_Application)
<https://health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/ohip/bulletins/redux/bul220403.aspx#_Payment_Increase_Application>
- [Updates to the Vendor Fee Schedule Master](https://health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/ohip/bulletins/redux/bul220404.aspx)
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