



Funded Diagnostic Testing

Pathlab Bay of Plenty is funded by the Bay of Plenty DHB to provide diagnostic and wellness testing. Some tests are excluded from our agreement with the DHB. Patients can elect to pay for these tests to be performed.

Payment is managed for the most part when patients present at our collection services rooms with their request forms. However, in the event that sample collection is not performed at our collection rooms, these samples go by unidentified and the cost is borne by the public system.

Can you please review the list of non-funded testing below and when these circumstances apply direct your patients to our rooms so that payment can be collected.

Testing which is not covered by the DHB funding:

- Laboratory services provided for Non Eligible patients (eligibility as specified by MOH guidelines on their website).
- Any patient that is not eligible for GMS subsidy is required to pay for testing. This needs to be highlighted on each form.
- Overseas patients presenting at your practice.
- Testing for screening purposes for education or work experience.
- Testing for Life insurance, superannuation or other similar benefits.
- Immigration permits and visa and travel testing requirements.
- Testing for licencing / relicensing – car, pilots etc., sports related testing.
- Work related employment and health screening (exception being BOP DHB employment screening).
- Testing for research or drug trials.
- Testing requested from alternative clinics not usually attended by the patient for “normal” health care (non-PHO funded) e.g. Holistic medicine, well women health, nutritional health, menopause clinic, appearance medicine etc.
- Patient requests.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any queries regarding this please contact either:

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