

SERVICE TAX ON CASHLESS SERVICES AND HEALTH CHECK UPS

The Central Government has introduced service tax on cashless services in Hospitals & Nursing Homes for Health checkups & treatments w.e.f 01-07-2010 as per Notification No. 24/2010 - Service Tax dated 22-06-2010.

Keeping in mind the above, hospitals will henceforth be required to add Service Tax @ 10.3% to the hospital bill on all bills for cashless treatment generated on or after 1st July, 2010. Since Service Tax liability will be borne by the Insurance Company, the amount towards Service Tax will be authorized by us as a part of the Authorization Letter amount.

The Service Tax component shall thus be considered as a part of the sum insured and sub limits in the policy, if any, and the service tax amount shall be deducted from the Sum Insured available or any benefit limit available to the member.

Examples of payments under different circumstances are illustrated below for reference:

Scenario 1			
Sum Insured	100000		
Total Hospital Bill	85000		
Service Tax @ 10.3%	8240	Service Tax is applicable on certain components only	
Total Amount asked for by Hospital	93240		
Authorized Amount for Cashless	95000		
Amount Paid by Insurance Company	93240		
Balance Sum Insured	6760		
Scenario 2			
Sum Insured	100000		
Total Hospital Bill	85000		
Service Tax @ 10.3%	8240		
Total Amount asked for by Hospital	93240		
Authorized Amount for Cashless	90000		
Amount Paid by Insurance Company	90000		
Balance Sum Insured	10000		
Amount to be paid by Member	3240		



Scenario 3			
Sum Insured	100000		
Total Hospital Bill	85000		
Service Tax @ 10.3%	8240		
Total Amount asked for by Hospital	93240		
Authorized Amount for Cashless	95000		
Amount Paid by Insurance Company	85000	After deductions for non payable items	
Balance Sum Insured	15000		
Amount to be paid by Member	8240		
Scenario 4			
Sum Insured	100000		
Maternity Limit	35000	Assuming hospitalization is for maternity	
Total Hospital Bill	40000		
Service Tax @ 10.3%	3500		
Total Amount asked for by Hospital	43500		
Authorized Amount for Cashless	35000		
Amount Paid by Insurance Company	35000		
Balance Sum Insured	65000		
Amount to be paid by Member	8500		