

Ontario Hospital Insurance announces NEW BENEFITS

Effective July 1, 1968

In keeping with its practice through the years of increasing benefits wherever possible, the Ontario Hospital Services Commission announces **new benefits for hospital out-patient services and essential ambulance services effective on July 1, 1968.** These benefits are now available to all residents covered by Ontario Hospital Insurance for whom such out-patient or ambulance services are medically necessary.

New Out-Patient Benefits

In addition to out-patient hospital services already covered (emergency care; follow-up treatment of fractures; radio-therapy; physiotherapy; occupational therapy and speech therapy) the plan now provides further benefits for the use of hospital facilities in out-patient treatment prescribed by a physician. This means that many hospital visits not previously insured, such as use of operating room for minor surgical procedures and the use of hospital facilities in the treatment of medical conditions, will now be covered by Ontario Hospital Insurance.

X-ray examinations and laboratory tests listed as benefits under the Ontario Medical Services Insurance Plan (OMSIP) will **not** be included in the new hospital insurance benefits. However, these diagnostic services will continue to be covered in connection with emergency out-patient services within twenty-four hours of an accident or when part of hospital out-patient service to complete treatment of a fracture.

The new benefits will NOT cover any charges made by doctors or dentists for professional services rendered at the hospital; the use of hospital facilities for regular injections of drugs, or dental care normally provided in a dentist's office.

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