

Nova Scotia College of Chiropractors Board

Regulation Respecting Travel and Expenses

Pursant to s. 6(2)(a) of the Chiropractic Act

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the Board of
the NSCC*

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This applies to all Chiropractors, including Board and Council members, as expense reimbursement protocol of expenses incurred fulfilling authorized NSCC obligations.

1. Responsibility for Administration

- a.) The Board Chairperson and Council President are responsible for authorizing travel and administrative expenses within the purview of the Board or Council budgets, respectively.
- b.) The Treasurer of the Board or Council is responsible for ensuring that related submissions of expenses to the Board or Council, respectively, are consistent with these regulations and that claims are verified before payment is made.

2. Interpretations and Definitions

- a.) Authorized amount: an authorized amount is one which may be claimed in lieu of actual expenditures for specific items, such as mileage, which must be so identified on the Travel Expense Claim document.
- b.) Commercial Accommodation: hotel/motel types of accommodation or similar commercial establishments which provide lodging at an established daily rate.
- c.) Employee: any person receiving wage, salary or honorarium, or other remuneration in return for services rendered to the NSCC business, but excluding those persons performing a service for a fee where a fee is an included expense.
- d.) Employer: The Nova Scotia College of Chiropractors.
- e.) Entertainment/Hospitality: those expenses incurred for business meals, beverages, refreshments, and approved receptions or other functions.
- f.) Expenses, Actual and Reasonable: the actual costs incurred, supported by proof of payment, up to the amount judged by the Treasurer and in view of recent NSCC records, to be reasonable and in keeping with experience of what such costs should be in the circumstances.
- g.) Headquarters/Home Base: the area within a fifteen (15) kilometer radius surrounding the actual building or regular place of the NSCC meeting.
- h.) Kilometers: the distance actually traveled on NSCC business.
- i.) Public Transportation: all forms of transportation for which a fare is paid other than privately owned, rented or chartered vehicles.
- j.) Transportation Expense: included commercial air, rail, automobile (private or rented), road, ferry and bridge tolls and parking charges.

- k.) Travel Expenses: an expense actually and necessarily incurred by any member in connection with travel on NSCC business.
- l.) Travel Expense Claim Form: the standard form used to submit a statement of travel expense claim for reimbursement.

3. Travel Regulation

- a.) The payment of travel expenses is intended to reimburse NSCC members for actual expenses incurred on NSCC business. All expense claims must be submitted within 30 days of the event.
- b.) Out-of-Province Travel: Travel outside of Nova Scotia may only be taken on behalf of the NSCC with the prior approval of the Board or Council as appropriate.
- c.) In-Province Travel: Expenses incurred within Nova Scotia will be reimbursed when the Board or Council designates or considers such expenses justifiable.
- d.) Included in travel expenses are economy airfare, taxi service, car rentals when deemed necessary, and parking. When possible, members are asked to take advantage of booking reduced rates by advance booking, seat sales and Saturday night layovers.
- e.) Mileage is calculated at sixty one cents (\$0.61) per kilometer for authorized travel.
- f.) Members of the College are urged to book reasonable lodgings for single/accomodation. Upgrades must be approved in advance or are the responsibility of the individual.
- g.) When traveling on Board-related business and driving more than 2 hours one way to this destination, reimbursement for accommodations will include \$100 to a maximum of \$200 per night, without prior approval.
- h.) Meal expenses will be reimbursed with a receipt at the following rate:
 - Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner combined to a maximum of **\$100.00 per day**
- i.) Board members will be compensated at \$10 per hour for costs associated with supervision of dependants while on Board-related business without prior approval.

4. Entertainment/Hospitality

Claims for entertainment/hospitality expenses for business guests must be authorized by the Chairperson or President. Submission of expenses must include the name of all guests and the nature of the business.

5. Use of Credit/Debit Cards

- a.) Personal credit or debit cards may be used for payment of travel expenses provided that the claim is supported by an official itemized receipt or voucher or invoice supplied by the establishment indicating payment of the account.

6. Office Expenses

- a.) All reasonable costs related to long distance telephone calls, faxes, postage and office supplies will be reimbursed.
- b.) Photocopying will be reimbursed at a rate of ten cents (\$0.10) per copy with appropriate indication of documents copied and their description.
- c.) Staff time will be reimbursed \$15.00 per hour when volume indicates the necessity and with prior approval of the Board or Council, respectively.

7. Combining Business and Personal Travel

- a.) Allowable travel expenses will be limited to those costs which would have arisen had the journey been made solely for NSCC purposes.
- b.) The costs of additional persons traveling with the authorized individual are not allowable.

8. Receipts

- a.) Originals of receipts, not photocopies, are required for reimbursement.

9. Per Diems

Per Diems are considered pensionable earnings by revenue Canada. CPP will be deducted where applicable and T4 slips will be issued by NSCC.

- a.) Three hundred dollars (\$300) per day (over 6 hours including travel)
- b) One hundred fifty dollars (\$150) per half day (between 2 and 6 hours including travel)
- c) Seventy-five dollars (\$75) for up to 2 hours

** Per diems cover both event attendance and time spent traveling to/from home.*

Hearing Per Diem

- a) Five hundred dollars (\$500) per day (over 6 hours including travel)*
- b) Two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) per half day (between 2 and 6 hours incl travel)*

10. Board and Council Honorariums serve to acknowledge their sacrifice and contribution to the NSCC. These are to be paid annually at year-end as approved in the annual budget to the following positions:

Board:	Council
Chairperson	President
Registrar	Vice President
Vice Chair	Secretary
Secretary	Treasurer
Treasurer	Past President
Past Chair	Members at Large (2)
Directors (2)	

11. Submitting Claims

- a.) All claims should be signed by the person making the claim and signed by the approved NSCC Administrator or Treasurer upon verification of the claimed expense.
- b.) Claims submitted by the Treasurers are to be verified by the Chair or President, respectively.
- c.) Claims incurred in a fiscal year must be submitted within thirty (30) days of the end of that fiscal year period.
- d) Submitted claims for per diems and expenses for meetings should include the reason for the meeting, the length of the meeting, the date, and the amount claimed.