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TECHNICAL APPENDIX

**THE COST-EFFECTIVENESS OF CLINIC-BASED CHLORAL HYDRATE
SEDATION VERSUS GENERAL ANAESTHESIA FOR PAEDIATRIC
OPHTHALMOLOGICAL PROCEDURES**

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Table 1: Description of calculations used for cost inputs

Description of model input	Calculation	Sample calculation
Ophthalmologist fee*	[Frequency of procedure per arm x OHIP fee for procedure(s)]/ Number of patients per arm	$[(25 \times \$260.00) + (10 \times \$434.75) + (5 \times \$308.85)] / 40 = \309.79
Anaesthesiologist fee*	(Frequency of patients per arm x OHIP baseline fee) + (Number of points per arm x OHIP fee per point)/ Number of patients per arm	$(40 \times \$120.08) + (171 \times \$15.01) / 40 = \$185.00$
Chloral hydrate	(Mean volume administered per arm (mL) + mean waste volume (mL)) x Price per mL	$294 \times \$0.05 = \14.70
OR bundle*	[(Frequency of patients per arm with visits after May 1, 2009 x patient level OR price) + (Frequency of patients per arm with visits before May 1, 2009 x Mean OR price)]/ Number of patients per arm	$[(15 \times \$375) + (10 \times \$418) + (5 \times \$624)] / 40 = \441
Nursing wage (sedation unit)	Mean LOS sedation unit per arm x Hourly wage for 1 nurse	$2.23 \times \$35.21 = \78.52
Nursing wage (PACU)	Mean LOS PACU per arm x Hourly wage for 0.5 nurse	$0.99 \times \$17.61 = \17.59
Nursing wage (SDAU)	Mean LOS SDAU per arm x Hourly wage for 1 nurse	$2.34 \times \$35.21 = \82.40
Parent time loss	Mean LOS per arm x Hourly wage for 1 parent	$4.04 \times \$23.70 = \95.75

Table 2: Ophthalmologist fees assigned to planned procedures

Description of procedure(s)	Fee	OHIP fee code
Exam only (general)	\$260.00	Z850, E982
Exam + Retcam	\$260.00	Z850, E982
Exam + Plugs	\$260.00	Z850, E982
Exam + retcam + suture removal	\$260.00	Z850, E982
Exam + debris removal	\$260.00	Z850, E982
Exam + retcam + B scan	\$306.55	Z850, E982
Exam + A scan	\$308.85	Z850, E982, J108C, J108B*
Exam + retcam + A scan	\$308.85	Z850, E982, J108C, J108B*
Exam + ERG	\$318.00	Z850, E982, G439, G852*
Exam + retcam + ERG	\$318.00	Z850, E982, G439, G852*
Exam + contact lens fitting	\$434.75	Z850 + E982
Exam + retcam + contact lens fitting	\$434.75	Z850 + E982
Failed sedation	\$22.45	A234

* technical component (technician required)

Abbreviations: OHIP=Ontario Health Insurance Plan

Table 3: Anaesthesiologist fees assigned in addition to base fee (\$120.08)

LOS; patient age	Fee	Number of points assigned
15 minutes; > 1 year	\$135.09	1
30 minutes; > 1 year	\$150.10	2
45 minutes; > 1 year	\$165.11	3
1 hour age; > 1 year	\$180.12	4
1 hour 15 minutes; > 1 year	\$210.14	6
1 hour 30 minutes; > 1 year	\$240.16	8
1 hour 45 minutes; > 1 year	\$285.19	11
2 hours; > 1 year	\$330.22	14
2 hours 15 minutes; > 1 year	\$375.25	17
15 minutes; < 1 year	\$165.11	3
30 minutes; < 1 year	\$180.12	4
45 minutes; < 1 year	\$195.13	5
1 hour; < 1 year	\$210.14	6
1 hour 15 minutes; age < 1 year	\$240.16	8
2 hours age < 1 year	\$360.24	16

Abbreviations: LOS=length of stay