

**Effective January 1, 2006, the recommended fee for psychological services provided
by Psychologists registered with the
Nova Scotia Board of Examiners in Psychology
is \$140 per hour.**

Many Psychologists from numerous areas of practice across the province have contacted APNS recently regarding whether the recommended Fee Schedule (last revised in May of 2002) accurately reflected the current market value of psychological services being provided. As a result, the Executive engaged in a thorough review of fees-for-service in other Canadian jurisdictions, consulted other disciplines in the province, and carefully examined the results of a recent survey sent to the membership.

On the basis of our analysis, we have determined that after more than three years, it is time to revise our suggested rate. When all factors were considered, we arrived at a new recommendation of \$140 per hour (increased from the 2002 figure of \$60 per half-hour). There will, of course, be regional variation, as well as differences between the types of services provided. The Executive is pleased to be able to offer this figure, however, as a general guideline to assist individual Psychologists in representing themselves and the level of fees that they may be expected to charge. This guideline also is intended to provide information for users of psychological services, whether corporate, insurance, government, or individual clients.

This recommended fee is a guideline only and may be adjusted at the discretion of the individual psychologist.

APNS Executive Committee
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