# Form MED 1 Health Expenses - Claim for Relief



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Income Details of Claimant	PPS No.						
Please enter details of income that was subject to PAYE in the relevant, your Form P45. In the absence of your Form P60/F provider. If you, your spouse or civil partner had more than 6 & Tax deducted and Gross Pay for USC & USC deducted for include your P60 for each employment or P45 if not already delay in finalising your claim.	ned from you lease list the eparate she olete forms	d from your employer/per ise list the total taxable P arate sheet. Alternatively,					
Name of Employer or Pension Provider		50 01 01					
Total Taxable Pay		€					
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<b>Total Income from other sources not subject to PAYE</b> (see 'Income from other sources' section on Page 4)	€		€				
Details of Claim  Maintenance or treatment in an approved nursing home (some number of the number of	see 'Nursing Ho	mes' section on Pa	ge 3) <b>(1)</b>	€			
Non-Routine Dental Treatment (per Med 2) (see 'Receipts	s' section on Pag	ge 3)	(2)	€			
Routine Health Expenses (see 'Qualifying Medical Expenses	_		` ,				
(a) Services of a doctor or consultant	€						
(b) Total outlay on prescribed drugs or medicines for the	€						
<ul><li>(c) Educational Psychological Assessment for a depen (see note on Page 3)</li></ul>	dent child	€					
<ul><li>(d) Speech and Language Therapy for a dependent ch (see note on Page 3)</li></ul>	ild	€					
<ul><li>(e) Orthoptic or similar treatment</li><li>(on referral from a doctor or other qualifying prac</li></ul>	€						
(f) Diagnostic procedures (X-rays, etc.)			_ <u> </u> 				
<ul><li>(g) Physiotherapy or similar treatment</li><li>(on referral from a doctor or other qualifying prac</li></ul>	titioner)	€					
(h) Expenses incurred on any medical, surgical or nurs	,	€					
(i) Maintenance or treatment in a hospital	0 11	€					
(j) Other Qualifying Expenses (provide brief details be	low)	€					
		Total (a) to (j)	(3)	€			
	TOTAL HEAL	TH EXPENSES		€			
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<b>Deductions -</b> (if none write 'NONE') Sums received or receivable in respect of any of the above	e expenses						
(i) from any public or local authority, for example, Hea		€					
(ii) under any policy of insurance, for example, VHI, Laya		€					
(iii) other, for example, compensation claim			€				
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(Total Health Expenses less Total Deductions)

## Individuals for whom tax relief may be claimed

You may claim a refund of tax in respect of medical expenses paid or incurred by you, on your own behalf or on behalf of any other person.

A personal representative of a deceased person can claim for medical expenses incurred by the deceased. Such expenses are treated as if they were paid immediately before the death of the deceased person and form part of the estate. However, if another individual has paid expenses on behalf of the deceased individual that individual can claim relief on the basis of when the expense was incurred subject to the time limits listed below.

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## **Qualifying medical expenses**

The headings under which expenses qualify are listed on Page 2 of this form. You must have paid or incurred the amounts claimed on treatment prescribed by or on the advice of a qualifying practitioner. Drugs and medicines can only be claimed where supplied on the prescription of a qualifying practitioner.

#### **Nursing Homes**

Nursing Homes must provide qualified nursing care on-site on a 24 hour per day basis.

## **Maternity Care**

The cost of providing routine health care in respect of pregnancy is allowable.

#### In Vitro Fertilisation (IVF)

IVF may be regarded as treatment in respect of infertility and relief may be allowed in respect of the cost of this treatment where the treatment is carried out by a qualifying practitioner.

#### **Educational Psychological Assessment for a dependent child**

Must be carried out by an educational psychologist who has expertise in the education of students. Dependent child must be under 18 years of age or if over 18 years, at the start of the tax year must be receiving full-time instruction at any university, school or other educational establishment.

#### Speech and Language Therapy for a dependent child

Must be carried out by a Speech and Language Therapist in respect of a dependent child as outlined above.

#### Consumable products

Relief can be claimed for the costs incurred on products manufactured specifically for coeliacs and diabetics where this expenditure is incurred on the advice of a qualifying medical practitioner.

#### **Non-Routine Dental Expenses**

You must hold a completed Form Med 2 (Dental), signed and certified by the dental practitioner when making a claim for non-routine dental expenses. A full list of qualifying treatments is listed on the reverse of the Form Med 2 (Dental) which is available from your Dental practitioner or from **www.revenue.ie** 

## **Expenses that do not qualify**

- The cost of sight testing and the provision and maintenance of spectacles and contact lenses.
- Routine dental treatment which is defined as 'the extraction, scaling and filling of teeth and the provision and repair of artificial teeth and dentures'.
- Cosmetic surgery unless the surgery or procedure is necessary as a result of a physical deformity arising from, or directly related to a congenital abnormality, personal injury or a disfiguring disease.

## Receipts for expenses claimed

Please ensure that you only claim for amounts for which you hold receipts (and Form Med 2 if the claim includes non-routine dental expenses). Please do not send in the receipts (or Form Med 2) to Revenue with your claim. However, you must keep the receipts (including Form Med 2) for a period of six years as you may be asked to send them in if your claim is chosen for a detailed examination.

#### Deductions for sums received or receivable in respect of Health Expenses

You cannot claim relief in respect of refunds already received or due to be received from:

- · Any public or local authority, for example, Health Service Executive
- Any policy of insurance
- Any other source, for example, compensation claim.

You must give details of such amounts and deduct them from the amount claimed on the claim form.

**Drugs & Medicines:** From 1 January 2013 you can claim tax relief for expenditure of amounts up to €144 per calendar month for prescribed medication. Expenditure in excess of €144 per month is recoverable from the Health Service Executive under the Drugs Payment Scheme. The amount recoverable for the year 2012 is €132.

Where an individual has been prescribed drugs or medication which are outside the Drugs Payment Scheme these should be claimed in addition to the €144 monthly threshold. In circumstances where an individual is claiming for another person, other than their spouse, civil partner or children, that other individual's personal threshold of €144 per month should also be applied to any amounts of related expenditure.

## Income from other sources not subject to PAYE

Income derived from all sources must be declared (for example, taxable payments received from the Department of Social Protection (DSP), including Illness Benefit and Maternity Benefit, Investment/Foreign Income or Foreign Pensions received). Please list details of this income on a separate sheet.

## Year for which you claim

Relief is normally claimed for expenses **paid** in each tax year (1 January to 31 December). However, you may elect to claim in respect of expenses **incurred** in the tax year even though they may be paid later. If you so elect, **all amounts claimed** for the year must relate to amounts **incurred** in the year.

If your subscription year for medical insurance (VHI, Laya Healthcare, Aviva Health, etc.) does not coincide with the tax year you may submit Form Med 1 for the subscription year. However, claims for subsequent tax years must also be based on your subscription year.

#### Calculation of relief

Relief due for Nursing Home fees is granted at your highest rate of Income Tax. Relief for all other expenses is granted at the standard rate of Income Tax.

## Where to send your claim form

Completed claim forms should be sent to your Revenue office. Use any envelope and write 'FREEPOST' above the address.

# Can I have my claim dealt with in a different Revenue office for confidentiality reasons?

Yes, if you do not wish your local Revenue office to know the nature of your medical condition you have the option of having the claim examined by a Revenue office other than your local Revenue office. Please submit your claim in a separate sealed envelope attaching your request clearly stating that for reasons of confidentiality you wish to have the claim processed in a different office. Your local Revenue office will refer the claim to the appropriate area and advise you of the contact details for your records. Alternatively, you may call in person to any of Revenue's information offices, details available at **www.revenue.ie** and request the case be processed in an area other than your local area.

#### **Penalties**

Any person who knowingly makes a false statement for the purpose of obtaining a repayment of Income Tax is liable to heavy penalties.

# **Time Limit for Repayment Claims**

A claim for repayment of tax must be made within four years after the end of the tax year to which the claim relates. For example, claims for 2012 must be made by 31 December 2016. Please note you must have paid income tax during the year of your claim in order to receive a repayment. If you owe income tax to Revenue for an earlier year, your repayment may be reduced by this amount.

## **Further information**

Customers can get further information on **www.revenue.ie** or alternatively contact their Revenue LoCall Service (within ROI only).

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 Meath, Tipperary, Waterford,

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 Clare, Cork, Kerry, Limerick

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