# Form MED 1 Health Expenses - Claim for Relief

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Name and Address				M109	
			PPS Number		M 1 0 9
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please check your Tax C	Return Address - If the address of your Local Tax Office is not shown be please check your Tax Credit Certificate to find the address to which you			Notes	
submit this form			Please read the note this form.	es on pages 3 & 4	before completing
			No relief is due in	respect of:-	
			<ul> <li>Sums received or (e.g. Public/Local Compensation et</li> </ul>	Authority, Insura	
			• If your claim rela		2006, the first d where expens
Year for which claim is b	eing made		were incurred by expenses were	one person and	€250 where
			This does not ap	ply to 2007 and su	ubsequent years.
Please complete in all ca		you are claimi	•	ealth evnenses	
lame	ses the names of the per	isons on whose behalf yo	ou paid of incurred he	ealth expenses	
Address					
Relationship, if any, o you					
n the case of a claim for whom you maintain in a r blease state their PPS nu	nursing home,				
		Declaration			
declare: • that all part	ticulars stated on this for	m are complete, true and	l correct		
		ed and I hold receipts for	•		•
<ul> <li>that, in resp and that I a</li> </ul>	pect of expenses claimed agree to notify the Reven	d on this form, all refunds ue Commissioners of an	s received to date fror y such refunds receiv	n any person a red in the future	are shown e
<ul> <li>to the best</li> </ul>	of my knowledge no par	t of these expenses will b	pe voluntarily reimbur	sed to me.	
Signature		Date D D	M Y Y Tel.	No.	
See note on Page 4 rega	arding tax refunds.	your Irish bank account,		bank account	details below
Sort Code		Account Number			

In	come Details of Claimant	PPS No.				
If yo	ase enter details of Income that was subject to PAYE in ou or your spouse had more than one employment/px Deducted for each employment/pension on a separ	pension on the 3				and Total
Nar	me of Employer/Pension Provider				-	-
Tot	tal Pay		€		€	
Tot	tal Tax Deducted		€		€	
Ro	outine Health Expenses (See Notes)					
Maintenance or treatment in an approved nursing home					€	
	Nursing Home Name and Address					
Noi	n-Routine Dental Treatment (per Med 2) (See "Re	eceipts" section	n at top of Page 4)	(2)	€	
(a)	a) Services of a doctor/consultant		€			
(b)	) Total outlay on prescribed drugs/medicines for the year		€			
(c)	Educational Psychological Assessment for a dependent child (see note overleaf)		€			
(d)	d) Speech and Language Therapy for a dependent child (see note overleaf)		€			
(e)	Orthoptic or similar treatment (on referral from a doctor or other qualifying pr	actitioner)	€			
(f)	Diagnostic procedures (X-rays, etc.)		€			
(g)	Physiotherapy or similar treatment (on referral from a doctor or other qualifying pr	actitioner)	€			
(h)	Expenses incurred on any medical, surgical or nursing appliance		€			
(i)	) Maintenance or treatment in a hospital		€			
(j)	Other Qualifying Expenses (provide brief details below)	1	€			
			Total (a) to (j)	(3)	€	
то		TOTAL HE	OTAL HEALTH EXPENSES			
			(1 + 2 + 3)			
De	eductions - (If none write "NONE")					
	ms received or receivable in respect of any of the				€	
(i) from any public or local authority e.g. Health Service Executive						
(ii) under any policy of insurance e.g. VHI, Quinn Healthcare, Hibernian Aviva Health, etc.						
	(iii) other e.g. compensation claim				€	
	€					
	€					

(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
- From 2007 and subsequent years on behalf of any other person (no restrictions)
- For 2006 on behalf of a dependent (see definition below)
- For 2006 on behalf of a relative (see definition below)

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.

### **Dependent** - A dependent is defined as:

- A relative of the individual, or
- Any other person being
  - i) An individual who, at any time during the year of assessment, is of the age of 65 years or over, or
  - ii) An individual who is permanently incapacitated by reason of mental or physical infirmity.

#### Relative - A relative is defined as:

- Husband, wife, ancestor, lineal descendant, brother or sister
- Mother or father of the individual's spouse
- Brother or sister of the individual's spouse
- Spouse of the individual's son or daughter
- A child, not being the child of the individual, who for the year of assessment
  - i) Is in the custody of the individual and is maintained by the individual, at the individual's own expense for the whole or part of the year of assessment, **AND**
  - ii) Is under 18 years of age, OR
  - iii) If over 18 years of age, at the commencement of the year of assessment, is receiving full time instruction at any university, college, school or other educational establishment.

# **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 practitioner.

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

**Educational Psychological Assessment for a dependent child** - Must be carried out by an educational psychologist who is entered on a register maintained by the Minister for Education and Science for the purposes of this relief in accordance with guidelines set down by that Minister with the consent of the Minister for Finance.

**Speech and Language Therapy for a dependent child** - Must be carried out by a speech and language therapist who is approved of for the purposes of this relief by the Minister for Health and Children in accordance with guidelines set down by that Minister with the consent of the Minister for Finance.

**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 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. **Please do not send in the Form Med 2 with your claim**-see "Receipts for Expenses Claimed" on the top of Page 4. A full list of qualifying treatments is:

- Listed on the reverse of the Form Med 2 (Dental)
- Available on Revenue's website www.revenue.ie under Publications
- Available from Revenue's Forms and Leaflets service by phoning LoCall 1890 30 67 06
- Available from your Regional PAYE LoCall Service whose number is listed on Page 4
- Available from any Revenue Office.

#### **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".

# 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 6 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 sums already received or due to be received from:

- ◆ Any public or local authority e.g. Health Service Executive
- Any Policy of Insurance
- Any other source e.g. Compensation

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

**Drugs & Medicines:** From the 01/01/09 you can claim tax relief for expenditure of amounts up to €100 per calendar month for prescribed medication. Expenditure in excess of €100 per month is recoverable from the Health Service Executive under the Drugs Payment Scheme. The amounts recoverable for dates prior to 01/01/09 are as follows

• 01/01/08 - 31/12/08 - €90

• 01/01/05 - 31/12/07 - €85

Where an individual has been prescribed drugs or medication which are outside the Drugs Payment Scheme these should be claimed in addition to the €100 monthly threshold. In circumstances where an individual is claiming for another person, other than their spouse or children, that other individual's personal threshold of €100 per month should also be applied to any amounts of related expenditure.

# Year for which you claim

Relief is normally claimed for expenses **paid** in each tax year (1st January to 31st 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, Quinn Healthcare, Hibernian Aviva Health, etc.) does not coincide with the tax year you may submit Form Med1 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 Homes fees is granted at your highest rate of Income Tax. From 01/01/09 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. (If your claim is selected for examination under an audit programme and you do not want your own Revenue office to know the nature of the medical condition, you can ask your Inspector to have the claim examined by another Revenue office).

#### **Penalties**

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

### Refunds

Tax refunds can be paid by cheque to your address or by transfer to your Irish bank account. It is not possible to make a refund directly to a foreign bank account.

#### **Further information**

Customers can get further information by visiting our website **www.revenue.ie**. Alternatively PAYE customers can contact their Regional Paye LoCall Service (within ROI only) whose number is listed below:

Border Midlands West Region
 Cavan, Donegal, Galway, Leitrim,
 Longford, Louth, Mayo, Monaghan,
 Offaly, Roscommon, Sligo, Westmeath

East & South East Region
 Carlow, Kildare, Kilkenny, Laois,
 Meath, Tipperary, Waterford,
 Wexford, Wicklow

Dublin Region
 Dublin (City and County)

1890 333 425

◆ South West Region 1890 222 425 Clare, Cork, Kerry, Limerick

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If you are calling from outside the Republic of Ireland, please telephone + 353 1 702 3011.

Business customers should contact their own tax district, the telephone number for which can be found on any correspondence from Revenue.