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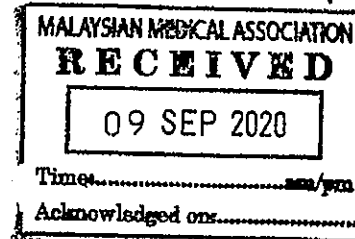
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Dear Dr,

CLARIFICATION OF PROFESSIONAL FEE OF ENDOSCOPIC LUMBAR DISCECTOMY

With kind regards to the above matter and your email dated 7th August 2020 regarding clarification on the recommended professional fee for endoscopic lumbar discectomy.

2. We would like to clarify that based on expert opinions and taking into consideration its complexity and technique of performing the procedure endoscopic lumbar discectomy, the professional fee for this procedure should not be higher than a more complex procedure which is primary posterior excision of intervertebral disc(s) with fusion and instrumentation including graft stabilization (RM3600) which is available in the 13th Schedule. However due to its steep learning curve the fee should be higher than microdiscectomy (RM2390) fee which is also available in the 13th Schedule.


3. Hence based on Malaysian Medical Association's 5 x 5 look up table used as a guide on deciding the narrative value for the procedures in the 13th Schedule and taking into consideration the justification in para 2, the recommended maximum chargeable fee for endoscopic lumbar discectomy is RM2705.

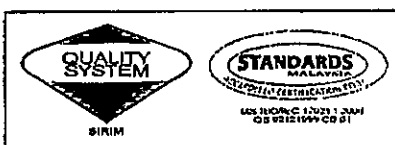
We hope the above explanation has answered your query.

Thank you.

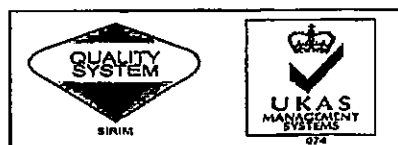
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Yours sincerely,

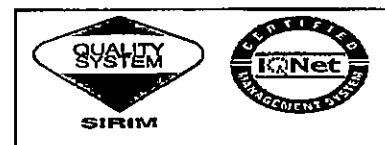

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