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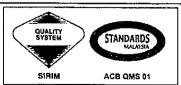
## **CLARIFICATION ON MICROWAVE ABLATION PROCEDURE**

With kind reference to the above matter and your email dated 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023 regarding whether microwave ablation procedure is recognized by Ministry of Health Malaysia (MOH) for liver, uterine fibroid and kidney conditions.

2. For your kind information, we have received feedback from Malaysian Health Technology Assessment Section (MAHTAS) on the procedure microwave ablation for uterine fibroids. However, for liver and kidney conditions we are yet to receive any feedback from MAHTAS. The information brief (rapid review) on microwave ablation for uterine fibroids is as the following:

"Microwave ablation treatment resulted in significant alleviation of uterine fibroid-related symptoms and improvement in quality of life, relatively short operation time and obvious reduction in uterine fibroids volume. No major adverse events were reported and the minor adverse events were self-limiting without any permanent adverse effects indicating the safety of the treatment. Hence, a minimally invasive alternative to surgical interventions, microwave ablation is a promising technique for treating uterine fibroids especially for women who want to avoid surgery. However, larger comparative studies are still needed to better demonstrate the benefits of microwave ablation in the management of uterine fibroids".

3. Based on expert opinion and appropriate references, the maximum chargeable fee for microwave ablation for uterine fibroids is as the following:



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NO	PROCEDURE	RECOMMENDED MAXIMUM CHARGEABLE FEE (SURGEON)	RECOMMENDED MAXIMUM CHARGEABLE FEE (ANAESTHETIST)
1.	Laparoscopy, radiofrequency microwave ablation of uterine fibroid(s) with image guidance through same of different incision(s)	RM1890	RM685

We will issue an official letter on the microwave ablation for liver and kidney conditions once we receive feedback from MaHTAS.

Thank you.

"MALAYSIA MADANI"

"BERKHIDMAT UNTUK NEGARA"

Yours sincerely,

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