

Funding for Preceptors

Three streams of compensation available for eligible physicians

Physicians who act as preceptors for medical trainees can benefit from three streams of compensation: an annual stipend, a 5% premium on billings and a daily stipend.

To review each of the preceptor compensation streams, see the following overview. Full details are listed in the Jan. 16, 2026, issue of the *MSI Physician's Bulletin* (tinyurl.com/MSI-PB-Jan162026).

Physicians are encouraged to review the preceptor stipend billing rules to ensure they are benefiting from the three compensation opportunities available to them.

Preceptor compensation criteria overview

Incentive	\$5,000 annual stipend	5% premium on billings	Daily stipend
Physician groups	• Fee for service (FFS) • FFS in academic department/division • Sessional/hourly paid physician (EM, Hospitalist, Psychiatry, PMC, etc.) • LFM • APP	Same as annual stipend, plus: • Clinical/academic funding plan (C/AFP) (<i>shadow bill</i>)⁴	Same as annual stipend plus: • C/AFP (<i>shadow bill</i>)⁴
Learner groups	• All medical students and residents who are in Nova Scotia at the time of their instruction • Physician assistant learners	Same as annual stipend	Same as annual stipend
Criteria	Physician must be approved by Dalhousie Faculty of Medicine (DFM) and/or the DHW as preceptor	Same as annual stipend, plus the physician must be: • precepting an eligible medical trainee during the patient encounter² • providing an insured service to an insured patient¹ • in a clinical environment approved by Dalhousie Medical School	Same as annual stipend
Threshold (hours)	9 full or 18 half days between April 1 and March 31 annually ³	None	None
Physician actions	Apply, watch for details in the fall	Select the appropriate compensation variable field in EMR when submitting each billing claim	Submit billing claim. Follow billing rules published in the Jan. 16, 2026, <i>MSI Physician's Bulletin</i> (tinyurl.com/MSI-PB-Jan162026) when all parameters of the Clinical Supervision section (Section 5.2.5) of the <i>Physician's Manual</i> have been met.
Payment timeline	End of year	Every two weeks	Every two weeks

1 All clinical services while precepting, including those completed by the medical trainee alone and those completed by the supervising physician alone.

2 The supervising physician and the medical trainee must be in the same clinical facility to ensure the supervising physician is immediately able to render assistance if needed.

3 A half day is 3.5 continuous hours of precepting during a single day.

4 C/AFP physicians are remunerated for medical education through their block funding. The precepting codes and premium amounts are eligible to be shadow billed to support accountability measures and future data analysis; they will not be paid in addition to the block funding.