

## Compensation claim for a death due to a patient injury

Fill in and submit this form only after the Patient Insurance Centre has issued a positive claims decision.

### Claim reference number

#### Injured party

Last name

First name

Personal identity code

Municipality of residence on the date of the injury    Date of death

#### Details of the person applying for compensation

Please specify the name and contact details of the person (e.g. widow/widower, the administrator of the estate etc.) applying for compensation for funeral expenses. Also, specify the bank account number to which the compensation should be paid.

Last name

First name

Postal address

Postal code, city and country if other than  
Finland

Phone

Email

**Payment details for compensation**

Bank account number in IBAN-form, 18 digits

Name of account holder

**Other insurance companies that have compensated funeral expenses**

Please specify if you have applied for compensation under other insurance policies or from a sickness fund, or if you have received compensation or other benefits from these for the funeral expenses. Attach all compensation decisions to this application.

Name of insurance company or fund

Compensation received, euros

**Funeral expenses and other burial costs**

Please itemise the expenses arising from the funeral. Attach receipts for the expenses. If no receipts exist, please attach some other reliable document of the expenses. Itemise travel and clothing costs by person in the Additional information section or as a separate appendix.

Funeral expenses, euros

Travel expenses from family's travel to the funeral, euros

Other expenses, euros, please specify

Additional information

## **Signature**

The person claiming compensation must undersign this form. Otherwise, the claim will not be processed.

I affirm that all the information I have provided with this form and its appendices are correct and that I have not applied or received any other compensation for the costs and losses now claimed for from anyone else than is stated on this form and its appendices.

The Patient Insurance Centre has the right, without being prevented by provisions on personal data security, to obtain information that is necessary for handling a claim from insurance and pension institutions, authorities and other parties subject to the Act on the Openness of Government Activities (621/1999), employers, healthcare providers, parties performing rehabilitation, and parties providing social welfare services (Patient Insurance Act section 54). The Centre also has the right to obtain information on wages, salaries and benefits from the Incomes Register for the determination of the grounds for compensation and the scope of the liability to compensate (Act on the Incomes Information System, chapter 5, section 13).

## **Agreement**

I agree that the tax authorities, the employers of the injured person, the pension and insurance institutions, the Finnish Centre for Pensions, Kela and other authorities may, without being prevented by non-disclosure provisions, give the Patient Insurance Centre the information, documents and decisions regarding the compensation and salary received by the claimant, which are necessary to resolve the compensation case.

Date

Name and signature of the applicant

## **Funeral expenses**

If a patient dies due to a patient injury, all reasonable funeral expenses and other burial costs are compensable under patient insurance (Tort Liability Act, chapter 5, section 3).

Compensable funeral expenses include costs arising from using a funeral home, organizing the funeral ceremony, burial site fees, the gravestone and its inscription, and the obituary. If the burial site is intended for more than one deceased person, it can be considered as a deduction in the compensation for the burial site and the gravestone.

Other compensable burial costs include travel costs of the family of the deceased from travelling to the funeral, and the clothes purchased by family for the funeral ceremony. The reuse value of the clothes can be considered when determining the compensation paid on them. Parties entitled to this compensation include parents, children, spouses, and other parties comparable to these who were particularly close to the deceased.

The costs arising from the estate inventory are not considered compensable according to established compensation practice as they are not related to the actual funeral costs.

The compensation for the funeral costs is paid to the party that suffered the costs, which is most often the estate. The compensation is paid to the account of the estate or to the account of a party that has been authorised to represent the estate by all parties of the estate. Authorisation of a party of the estate who is underage or otherwise legally incapacitated is granted by the party's legal guardian.

If the estate has more than one party, the parties must issue a written authorisation to one person to apply for the compensation. In most cases, it is most convenient to give the authorisation to the person who generally handles all the matters of the estate. A template for the authorisation document can be downloaded from the Patient Insurance Centre's website <https://www.pvk.fi/en/patient-insurance-centre/forms/>).

If the estate administrator has been appointed by a court, the court appointed administrator undersigns the compensation application. If the estate has been declared bankrupt, the administrator of the bankruptcy estate undersigns the compensation application.

For all expenses, attach an invoice or a receipt, a bank account statement or other reliable document that the invoice has been paid. If these documents have been sent to the Tax

Administration with the estate inventory, the applicant must provide copies of the documents upon request.

The following information is required for the payment of compensation:

- a copy of the estate inventory and the report on family relationships attached to it
- a copy of the possible will of the deceased person
- the authorisation documents required for applying and receiving compensation undersigned by the other parties of the estate and applicants.

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