RESPONSES TO FEEDBACK/QUERIES ON CARDIOLOGY CR FROM SPECIALISTS

S/N	Feedback/Query	Reply
1	There are procedures that are not listed / spelt out in the Claim Rules eg. biventricular pacing, loop recorder, etc. For those that are not defined / detailed, I presume MSL claims are still permissible. I also presume they are less common procedures so the committee did not go through them.	The Table of Surgical Procedure (TOSP) codes for cardiology-related procedures that were prioritised for this iteration were those with high volumes of claims or those with ambiguity and/or higher risk of abuse, identified through past claim data and by the cardiology Claims Rules (CR) workgroup. TOSP codes for cardiology-related procedures not found in this CR draft may still be claimed under the MediShield Life (MSHL) scheme as per current practice.
2	For the last 5 years or so, there has been a new type of leadless pacemaker that is inserted through the groin. The procedure is different from the conventional method of implanting pacemakers with leads. it requires specialised training as the pacemaker is delivered through a large sheath from the femoral vein (like the percutaneous method of implanting an aortic valve). The table for pacemaker which is table 3 is too low for the complexity of the procedure. A more appropriate table should be 4C. I hope the committee will consider and create a new table code for the leadless pacemaker.	Comments have been surfaced to TOSP Committee for review.