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cap-i-ta·tion  (kăp'ĩ-tā shən)

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n.

1. A poll tax.
2. A payment or fee of a fixed amount per person, such as one remitted at regular intervals to a medical provider by a managed care organization for an enrolled patient.

[Late Latin *capitātiō*, *capitātiōn-*, from Latin *caput*, *capit-*, head; see **kaput-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

cap i·tate' *v.*

cap i·ta'tive *adj.*

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