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Consultation items for General Practitioners (GPs)

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description	Equivalent video item	Equivalent phone item
3	Consultation at consulting rooms, Level A	91790	—
23	Consultation at consulting rooms, less than 20 mins, Level B	91800	—
36	Consultation at consulting rooms, at least 20 mins, Level C	91801	91900
44	Consultation at consulting rooms, at least 40 mins, Level D	91802	91910
123	Consultation at a place other than consulting	91920	—

Short and long GP phone consultations since 1 July 2021

Short and long GP phone consultations since 1 July 2021 video and phone items are subject to eligibility criteria. *See eligibility criteria: [Note AN.1.1 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#)

Medicare services — Brief description	Phone items
Short consultation* — less than 6 minutes	91890
Long consultation* — 6 minutes or longer	91891

After-hours consultation items for GPs

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description
5000	Consultation at consulting rooms, Level A
5020	Consultation at consulting rooms, less than 20 mins, Level B
5040	Consultation at consulting rooms at least 20 mins, Level C
5060	Consultation at consulting rooms, at least 40 mins, Level D

Medicare item criteria for AH consultation items: [Note AN.0.74 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#)
Further information about the Medicare Items is available at: www.mbsonline.gov.au

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander health assessment & follow up care

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description	Equivalent video item	Equivalent phone item
715	Health assessment — once in a 9-month period	92004	—
10987	Follow up care provided by a Practice Nurse or Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner, on behalf of the GP — up to 10 per calendar year per patient.	93200	93202
81300-81360	GP referral to Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health & Wellbeing Services & Individual Allied Health Professionals — up to 10 services* per patient per calendar year	93048	93061

Review the item criteria:

Item 715 — [Note AN.0.43 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#)

Item 10987 — [Note MN.12.3 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#)

Items 81300-81360 — [Note MN.11.1 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#)

GP chronic condition management plans & follow up care

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description	Equivalent video item	Equivalent phone item
965	Preparation of a GP chronic condition management plan	92029	—
967	Review of a GP chronic condition management plan	92030	—
10997	Chronic disease management service, provided by a Practice Nurse or Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner, on behalf and under the supervision of the GP. Up to 5 per calendar year per patient.	93048	93061
10950-10970	GP referral to Individual allied health & Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander health & wellbeing services	93000	93013

***Note:** Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients can access up to 10 MBS-supported individual health services per calendar year (January to December).

The annual total limit of 10 individual health services per patient can include a combination of the following items, up to a maximum of 10 services:

- up to 5 services under a GP chronic condition management plan or, for residents of a residential aged care facility, a multidisciplinary care plan (10950, 10951, 10952, 10953, 10954, 10956, 10958, 10960, 10962, 10964, 10966, 10968, 10970, 93000 and 93013 — MBS Group M3 and equivalent telehealth services — see MN.3.1).
- up to 10 services under MBS Group M11 and equivalent telehealth services (81300 to 81360, 93048 and 93061).

The 10 services can be made up of one type of service (e.g. 10 physiotherapy services) or a combination of different types of services (e.g. 2 dietetic and 8 podiatry services).

Other Information

The patient must have an identified need through a health assessment, or the service provided must be recommended in the patient's management plan.

The referral last 18 months from the date of the first services provided under the referral.

The patient can take the referral to any eligible health professional of the same profession/type specified in the referral of their choosing. For example, a referral to physiotherapy services can be taken to any physiotherapist, but it cannot be used to access chiropractic services.

GP referral to individual allied health & Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander health & wellbeing services, requires that a report back to the GP is at the first and last service or sooner if required and should include:

- any investigations, tests, and/or assessments carried out on the patient;
- any treatment provided; and
- advice regarding future management of the patient's condition or problem.

Medicare Item criteria: [Note MN.11.1 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#)

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander health & wellbeing services — GP referral letter required

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description	Equivalent video item	Equivalent phone item
81300	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health service	93048	93061
81305	Diabetes education service	93048	93061
81310	Audiology service	93048	93061
81315	Exercise physiology service	93048	93061
81320	Dietetics service	93048	93061
81325	Mental health service	93048	93061
81330	Occupational therapy service	93048	93061
81335	Physiotherapy service	93048	93061
81340	Podiatry service	93048	93061
81345	Chiropractic service	93048	93061
81350	Osteopathy service	93048	93061
81355	Psychology service	93048	93061
81360	Speech pathology service	93048	93061

Medicare item criteria: [Note MN.11.1 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#)

**Individual allied health for treating chronic conditions (items 965 & 967) —
GP referral letter required**

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description	Equivalent video item	Equivalent phone item
10950	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health service	93000	93013
10951	Diabetes education service	93000	93013
10952	Audiology service	93000	93013
10953	Exercise physiology service	93000	93013
10954	Dietetics service	93000	93013
10956	Mental health service	93000	93013
10958	Occupational therapy service	93000	93013
10960	Physiotherapy service	93000	93013
10962	Podiatry service	93000	93013
10964	Chiropractic service	93000	93013
10966	Osteopathy service	93000	93013
10968	Psychology service	93000	93013
10970	Speech pathology service	93000	93013

Medicare item criteria: [Note MN.3.1 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#)

Miscellaneous diagnostic tests and procedures

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description
11506	Measurement of respiratory function
11707	Twelve-lead electrocardiography, tracing only
11714	Twelve-lead electrocardiography, trace and clinical note, by a medical practitioner
13757	Therapeutic venesection (haemochromatosis, polycythaemia vera or porphyria cutanea tarda)
14203	Hormone or living tissue implantation by direct implantation involving incision and suture
14206	Hormone or living tissue implantation by cannula
73805	Microscopy of urine, whether stained or not, or catalase test
73806	Pregnancy test by 1 or more immunochemical methods
30003	Dressing of localised burns (not involving grafting)
30026	Repair skin lac (not face/neck) <7cm, superficial
30029	Repair skin lac (not face/neck) <7cm, deep tissue
30032	Repair skin lac of face/neck<7cm, superficial
30035	Repair skin lac of face/neck<7cm, deep tissue
30038	Repair skin lac (not face/neck)>7cm, superficial
30042	Repair skin lac (not face/neck)>7cm, deep tissue
30061	Superficial foreign body removal (including from cornea or sclera), as an independent procedure
30064	Subcutaneous foreign body removal (incision and exploration)
30071	Diagnostic biopsy of skin, as an independent procedure, if the biopsy specimen is sent for pathological examination
30192	Premalignant skin lesions (including solar keratoses), treatment of, by ablative technique (10 or more lesions)
30219	Haematoma, furuncle, small abscess or similar lesion — incision with drainage

Note: This is not an extensive list of services available, refer to mbsonline.gov.au for additional information and additional services.

QAAMS Program items

Provide by QAAMS qualified health professionals, including Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioners, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Practice Nurses

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description
73839	Pathology tests — Quantitation of HbA1c (glycated haemoglobin) performed for the diagnosis of diabetes in asymptomatic patients at high risk — not more than once in a 12-month period.
73840	Pathology tests — Quantitation of glycosylated haemoglobin performed in the management of established diabetes — each test to a maximum of 4 tests in a 12-month period.
73844	Pathology tests — Quantitation of urinary albumin/creatinine ratio in urine on a random spot collection in the management of patients with established diabetes or patients at risk of microalbuminuria.

Medicare item criteria: [Note PR.91 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#) & [QAAMS](#)

Other health assessments

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description	Equivalent video item	Equivalent phone item
701	Brief health assessment, less than 30 mins	—	—
703	Standard health assessment, 30-45 mins	—	—
705	Long health assessment, 45-60 mins	—	—
707	Prolonged health assessment, at least 60 mins	—	—

Follow-up allied health items for people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent (linked to these health assessments).

Time-tiered health assessment items 701-707 are available to specific patient cohorts.

Details of the requirements for a health assessment for each patient cohort are at:

- Type 2 diabetes risk evaluation (40-49 years) — see [AN.0.37](#)
- Health assessment for people aged 45-49 years (inclusive) who are at risk of developing chronic disease — see [AN.0.38](#)
- Health assessment provided for people aged 75 years and older — see [AN.0.39](#)
- Health assessment provided as a comprehensive medical assessment for residents of residential aged care facilities — see [AN.0.40](#)
- Health assessment provided for people with an intellectual disability — see [AN.0.41](#)
- Health assessment provided for refugees and other humanitarian entrants — see [AN.0.42](#)
- One-off health assessment for veterans — see [AN.0.69](#)

Medicare item criteria: [Note AN.0.36 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#)

Medication management review

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description
900	Domiciliary medication management review (DMMR)

Medicare item criteria: [Note AN.0.52 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#)

Antenatal consultations

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description	Equivalent video item	Equivalent phone item
16400	Antenatal attendance – midwife, nurse or registered Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner (RRMA 3-7*) Item criteria: Note TN.4.1 Medicare Benefits Schedule	91850	91855
16500	GP antenatal attendance Item criteria: Note TN.4.3 Medicare Benefits Schedule	91853	91858

*For Rural, Remote & Metropolitan Area (RRMA) Search: [Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Area | Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing](#)

GP mental health treatment

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description	Equivalent video item	Equivalent phone item
2700	Prepare GP Mental Health Treatment Plan, lasting at least 20 mins	92112	—
2701	Prepare GP Mental Health Treatment Plan, lasting at least 40 mins	92113	—
2715	Prepare GP Mental Health Treatment Plan, lasting at least 20 mins (medical practitioners who have undertaken mental health skills training)	92116	—
2717	Prepare GP Mental Health Treatment Plan, lasting at least 40 mins (medical practitioners who have undertaken mental health skills training)	92117	—

Note: 1 November 2025 general consultation items can be used to review the GP Mental Health Treatment Plan.

Medicare criteria: [Note AN.0.56 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#)

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner Medicare items

Claimed using this health professionals Medicare provider number

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description	Equivalent video item	Equivalent phone item
81300	Health and wellbeing services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.	93048	93061
10950	Individual chronic condition management services.	93000	91858

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner Medicare items performed on behalf of and under the supervision of the Medical Practitioner

Claimed with the Medical practitioners Medicare provider number.

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description	Equivalent video item	Equivalent phone item
10983	Support provided to a patient having a video conference consultation with a specialist, consultant physician or psychiatrist.	—	—
10987	Follow-up service for an Indigenous patient who has received a health assessment	93200	93202
10988	Immunisation service	—	—
10989	Wound management service	—	—
10997	Monitoring and support for a person with a chronic condition	93201	93203
12325	Assessment of visual acuity and bilateral retinal photography for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander peoples.	—	—
13105	Haemodialysis management for a patient with end-stage kidney disease in a very remote area.*	—	—
16400	Antenatal services, provided at or from a practice location in a regional, rural or remote area. (That is Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Areas (RRMA) 3-7 or Norfolk Island).	91850	91855

*Note: [IHSM09INFO — Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner Medicare Benefits Schedule \(MBS\) items](#) & Medicare item criteria item 13105: [Note TN.1.23 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#)

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health Worker Medicare items

Claimed using this health professionals Medicare provider number

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description	Equivalent video item	Equivalent phone item
81300	Health and wellbeing services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.	93048	93061
10950	Individual chronic condition management services.	93000	91858

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health Worker Medicare items Performed on behalf of and under the supervision of the Medical Practitioner

Claimed with the Medical practitioners Medicare provider number.

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description	Equivalent video item	Equivalent phone item
10983	Support provided to a patient having a video conference consultation with a specialist, consultant physician or psychiatrist.	—	—
12325	Assessment of visual acuity and bilateral retinal photography for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander peoples.	—	—
13105	Haemodialysis management for a patient with end-stage kidney disease in a very remote area.*	—	—
16400	Antenatal services, provided at or from a practice location in a regional, rural or remote area. (That is Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Areas (RRMA) 3-7 or Norfolk Island).	91850	91855

*Note: [IHSM09INFO — Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner Medicare Benefits Schedule \(MBS\) items](#) & Medicare item criteria item 13105: [Note TN.1.23 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#)

Retinal photography with a non-mydratic retinal camera

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description
12325	Bilateral retinal photography to assess diabetic retinopathy (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients)
12326	Bilateral retinal photography to assess diabetic retinopathy

Medicare criteria: [Note DN.1.19 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](#)

Practice Nurse Medicare items performed on behalf of and under the supervision of the Medical Practitioner

Claimed with the Medical practitioners Medicare provider number

Medicare items	Medicare item — Brief description	Equivalent video item	Equivalent phone item
10983	Support provided to a patient having a video conference consultation with a Specialist, Consultant Physician or Psychiatrist.	—	—
10987	Follow-up service for an Indigenous patient who has received a health assessment	93200	93202
10997	Monitoring and support for a person with a chronic condition	93201	93203
14217 & 14220	Repetitive Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (rTMS) treatment — must be trained in the provision of rTMS treatment to perform this service on behalf of the Psychiatrist.	—	—
16400	Antenatal services, provided at or from a practice location in a regional, rural or remote area. (That is Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Areas (RRMA) 3-7 or Norfolk Island).	91850	91855

[MBSM49INFO1 — Practice nurse Medicare Benefits Schedule \(MBS\) items](#)

Services Australia has comprehensive resources available within Medicare eLearning:

- [Indigenous Health Services \(IHS\)](#) — Health Professional Education Resources
- [Medicare Benefits Schedule \(MBS\)](#) — Health Professional Education Resources
- [MyMedicare](#) — Health Professional Education Resources
- [Incentive Programs](#) — Health Professional Education Resources
- [Provider Digital Access \(PRODA\)](#) — Health Professional Education Resources

Disclaimer: This resource does not provide a comprehensive list of MBS items and should be read in conjunction with the item and explanatory notes set out in the Medicare Benefits Schedule before claiming these services/items: [MBS Online website](#).



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