



# **Health Insurance (Allied Health Services) Amendment (Psychological Telehealth Services) Determination 2018**

*Health Insurance Act 1973*

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I, MICHAEL RYAN, delegate of the Minister for Health, make the following Determination under subsection 3C (1) of the *Health Insurance Act 1973*.

Dated 23 August 2018

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Health Financing Group  
Department Of Health

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## 1 Name

This instrument is the *Health Insurance (Allied Health Services) Amendment (Psychological Telehealth Services) Determination 2018*.

## 2 Commencement

- (1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of this instrument	1 September 2018	

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

- (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

## 3 Authority

This Determination is made under section 3C of the *Health Insurance Act 1973*.

## 4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

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## Schedule 1 — Amendments

### *Health Insurance (Allied Health Services) Determination 2014*

#### 1 Subsection 6(4)

Repeal the subsection and substitute:

- (4) In this section *relevant service* means a service to which any of items 283 to 287 or 2721 to 2727 of the general medical services table, or items 80000 to 80015, 80100 to 80115, 80125 to 80140, or 80150 to 80165 in Schedule 2, apply.

#### 2 Section 6B

Repeal the section and substitute:

##### **6B Limitation on certain individual telehealth items**

- (1) This section applies to items 80001, 80011, 80101, 80111, 80126, 80136, 80151 and 80161 in Schedule 2.
- (2) For any particular patient, an item mentioned in subsection (1) applies in a calendar year only if the service described in the item is one of the first 10 relevant services provided to the patient in the calendar year.
- (3) An item mentioned in subsection (1) does not apply to a service if the patient or the allied health professional has travelled to a place to satisfy the requirement in paragraph (f) of the item.
- (4) In this section relevant service means a service to which any of items 283 to 287 or 2721 to 2727 of the general medical services table, or items 80000 to 80015, 80100 to 80115, 80125 to 80140, or 80150 to 80165 in Schedule 2, apply.

#### 3 Section 6C

Repeal the section and substitute:

##### **6C Limitation on certain group telehealth items**

- (1) This section applies to items 80021, 80121, 80146 and 80171 in Schedule 2.
- (2) For any particular patient, an item mentioned in subsection (1) applies in a calendar year only if the service described in the item is one of the first 10 relevant services provided to the patient in the calendar year.
- (3) An item mentioned in subsection (1) does not apply to a service if the patient or the allied health professional has travelled to a place to satisfy the requirement in paragraph (e) of the item.

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- (4) In this section relevant service means a service to which any of items 80020, 80021, 80120, 80121, 80145 80146, 80170 and 80171 in Schedule 2, apply.