



# **Health Insurance Legislation Amendment (Telehealth Clinical Support Services) Determination 2021**

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I, Travis Haslam, delegate of the Minister for Health and Aged Care, make the following Determination.

Dated                    16 December 2021

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## 1 Name

This instrument is the *Health Insurance Legislation Amendment (Telehealth Clinical Support Services) Determination 2021*.

## 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 January 2022.	

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made.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 instrument is made under subsection 3C(1) 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Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.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 (Section 3C Midwife and Nurse Practitioner Services) Determination 2020***

- 1. Part 2, section 11 (heading)**  
Repeal the heading.
- 2. Part 2, section 11**  
Repeal the section.
- 3. Part 3, section 18 (heading)**  
Repeal the heading.
- 4. Part 3, section 18**  
Repeal the section.
- 5. Schedule 1, Part 2 (heading)**  
Repeal the heading
- 6. Schedule 1, Part 2 (table)**  
Repeal the table.
- 7. Schedule 2, Part 3 (heading)**  
Repeal the heading.
- 8. Schedule 2, Part 3 (table)**  
Repeal the table.

### ***Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – Other Medical Practitioner) Determination 2018***

- 9. Subclause 1.9.4(1) of Schedule 1**  
Omit “, 287, 371 and 372”, substitute “and 287”.
- 10. Subparagraphs 1.9.4(1)(b)(ii) and (iii) of Schedule 1**  
Omit “, 287, 371 and 372”, substitute “and 287”.
- 11. Subclause 1.9.4(2) of Schedule 1**  
Omit “, 287, 371 and 372”, substitute “and 287”.
- 12. Subparagraphs 1.9.4(2)(a)(ii) and 1.9.4(2)(b) of Schedule 1**  
Omit “, 287, 371 and 372”, substitute “and 287”.
- 13. Clause 1.9.5 of Schedule 1**  
Repeal the clause.

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**14. Division 1.9 of Schedule 1 (table items 371 and 372)**

Repeal the items.

**15. Division 1.12 of Schedule 1**

Repeal the division, substitute:

Division 1.12—Services and fees—Non-Specialist Practitioner video conferencing consultation

**1.12.1 Limitation of items in Division 1.12**

Items 894, 896 and 898 do not apply if the service is performed on an admitted patient of a hospital.

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**Group A7 – Acupuncture and Non-Specialist Practitioner Items**

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**Subgroup 12 - Non Specialist Practitioner video conferencing consultation**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>
894	Professional attendance by video conference by a medical practitioner, lasting more than 5 minutes but not more than 25 minutes, for providing mental health services to a patient with mental health issues, if the patient is affected by bushfire	36.75
896	Professional attendance by video conference by a medical practitioner, lasting more than 25 minutes but not more than 45 minutes, for providing mental health services to a patient with mental health issues, if the patient is affected by bushfire	71.25
898	Professional attendance by video conference by a medical practitioner, lasting more than 45 minutes, for providing mental health services to a patient with mental health issues if the patient is affected by bushfire	104.90

**16. Division 1.13 of Schedule 1**

Repeal the division (including the table).

***Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services - Optometric Services) Determination 2020***

**17. Section 13**

Repeal the section.

**18. Section 14 (heading)**

Omit “to 10948”, substitute “and 10946”.

**19. Section 14**

Omit “to 10948”, substitute “and 10946”.

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**20. Schedule (items 10945 and 10946, column 2, paragraphs (b) and (c))**

Repeal the paragraphs, substitute:

(b) is not an admitted patient

**21. Schedule (items 10947 and 10948)**

Repeal the items.