



# **Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – Telehealth and Telephone Attendances) Amendment (COVID-19 Positive Patients Exemption) Determination 2022**

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I, Nigel Murray, delegate of the Minister for Health and Aged Care, make the following Determination.

Dated                    17 October 2022

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## 1 Name

This instrument is the *Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – Telehealth and Telephone Attendances) Amendment (COVID-19 Positive Patients Exemption) Determination 2022*.

## 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	13 October 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Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made.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Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.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 General Medical Services – Telehealth and Telephone Attendances) Determination 2021*

#### **1 Subsection 5(1)**

Insert:

*person who has tested positive for COVID-19* means a patient who has received a positive COVID-19 test result within the last 7 days, confirmed by either:

- (a) Laboratory testing (PCR); or
- (b) A COVID-19 rapid antigen self test (RAT) which has been approved for supply in Australia by the Therapeutic Goods Administration.

#### **2 After subparagraph 7(6)(a)(vi)**

Insert:

- (vii) a person who has tested positive for COVID-19; or