



# **Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – General Practice Attendance for Assessing Patient Suitability for a COVID-19 Vaccine) Amendment (No. 1) Determination 2023**

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

Dated                    10 January 2023

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## 1 Name

This instrument is the *Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – General Practice Attendance for Assessing Patient Suitability for a COVID-19 Vaccine) Amendment (No. 1) Determination 2023*.

## 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 February 2023	

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made.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Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.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 – General Practice Attendance for Assessing Patient Suitability for a COVID-19 Vaccine) Determination 2021**

#### **1 Section 4 (Definition of a booster dose)**

Repeal the definition

#### **2 Section 4 (Definition of a primary dose)**

Repeal the definition

#### **3 Section 9(1)**

Omit “\$68.40”, substitute “\$139.00”.

#### **4 Schedule (the table)**

Repeal the table, substitute:

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### **Group A44 – General Practice Attendance for Assessing Patient Suitability for a COVID-19 Vaccine**

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#### **Subgroup 3— Assessing Patient Suitability for a Dose of a COVID-19 Vaccine**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>
93644	Professional attendance by a general practitioner for the purpose of assessing a patient’s suitability for a COVID-19 vaccine if all of the following apply: (a) one or both of the following is undertaken, where clinically relevant: (i) a short patient history; (ii) limited examination and management; (b) the service is bulk-billed; (c) the service is provided at, or from, a practice location in a Modified Monash 1 area	41.25
93645	Professional attendance by a general practitioner for the purpose of assessing a patient’s suitability for a COVID-19 vaccine if all of the following apply: (a) one or both of the following is undertaken, where clinically relevant: (i) a short patient history; (ii) limited examination and management; (b) the service is bulk-billed; (c) the service is provided at, or from, a practice location in: (i) a Modified Monash 2 area; or (ii) a Modified Monash 3 area; or (iii) a Modified Monash 4 area; or (iv) a Modified Monash 5 area; or (v) a Modified Monash 6 area; or (vi) a Modified Monash 7 area	45.25

93646	Professional attendance by a medical practitioner (other than a general practitioner) for the purpose of assessing a patient's suitability for a COVID-19 vaccine if all of the following apply: (a) one or both of the following is undertaken, where clinically relevant: (i) a short patient history; (ii) limited examination and management; (b) the service is bulk-billed; (c) the service is provided at, or from, a practice location in a Modified Monash 1 area	33.10
93647	Professional attendance by a medical practitioner (other than a general practitioner) for the purpose of assessing a patient's suitability for a COVID-19 vaccine if all of the following apply: (a) one or both of the following is undertaken, where clinically relevant: (i) a short patient history; (ii) limited examination and management; (b) the service is bulk-billed; (c) the service is provided at, or from, a practice location in: (i) a Modified Monash 2 area; or (ii) a Modified Monash 3 area; or (iii) a Modified Monash 4 area; or (iv) a Modified Monash 5 area; or (v) a Modified Monash 6 area; or (vi) a Modified Monash 7 area	40.95
<b>Subgroup 4— After-Hours Assessing Patient Suitability for a Dose of a COVID-19 Vaccine</b>		
93653	Professional attendance by a general practitioner for the purpose of assessing a patient's suitability for a COVID-19 vaccine if all of the following apply: (a) one or both of the following is undertaken, where clinically relevant: (i) a short patient history; (ii) limited examination and management; (b) the service is bulk-billed; (c) the service is provided at, or from, a practice location in a Modified Monash 1 area; (d) the service is rendered in an after-hours period	55.95
93654	Professional attendance by a general practitioner for the purpose of assessing a patient's suitability for a dose of a COVID-19 vaccine if all of the following apply: (a) one or both of the following is undertaken, where clinically relevant: (i) a short patient history; (ii) limited examination and management; (b) the service is bulk-billed; (c) the service is provided at, or from, a practice location in: (i) a Modified Monash 2 area; or	59.90

	(ii) a Modified Monash 3 area; or (iii) a Modified Monash 4 area; or (iv) a Modified Monash 5 area; or (v) a Modified Monash 6 area; or (vi) a Modified Monash 7 area; (d) the service is rendered in an after-hours period	
93655	Professional attendance by a medical practitioner (other than a general practitioner) for the purpose of assessing a patient's suitability for a COVID-19 vaccine if all of the following apply: (a) one or both of the following is undertaken, where clinically relevant: (i) a short patient history; (ii) limited examination and management; (b) the service is bulk-billed; (c) the service is provided at, or from, a practice location in a Modified Monash 1 area; (d) the service is rendered in an after-hours period	45.10
93656	Professional attendance by a medical practitioner (other than a general practitioner) for the purpose of assessing a patient's suitability for a COVID-19 vaccine if all of the following apply: (a) one or both of the following is undertaken, where clinically relevant: (i) a short patient history; (ii) limited examination and management; (b) the service is bulk-billed; (c) the service is provided at, or from, a practice location in: (i) a Modified Monash 2 area; or (ii) a Modified Monash 3 area; or (iii) a Modified Monash 4 area; or (iv) a Modified Monash 5 area; or (v) a Modified Monash 6 area; or (vi) a Modified Monash 7 area; (d) the service is rendered in an after-hours period	52.65
<b>Subgroup 5 – In-depth Patient Assessment for a Patient who has Received a Vaccine Suitability Assessment Service</b>		
10660	Professional attendance by a general practitioner, if all of the following apply: (a) the service is associated with a service to which item 93644, 93645, 93653 or 93654 applies; (b) the service requires personal attendance by the general practitioner, lasting more than 10 minutes in duration, to provide in-depth clinical advice on the individual risks and benefits associated with receiving a COVID-19 vaccine; (c) one or both of the following is undertaken, where clinically relevant: (i) a detailed patient history; (ii) complex examination and management; (d) the service is bulk-billed	46.70
10661	Professional attendance by a medical practitioner (other than a general practitioner), if all of the following apply:	37.40



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- (a) the service is associated with a service to which item 93646, 93647, 93655 or 93656 applies;
  - (b) the service requires personal attendance by the medical practitioner (other than a general practitioner), lasting more than 10 minutes in duration, to provide in-depth clinical advice on the individual risks and benefits associated with receiving a COVID-19 vaccine;
  - (c) one or both of the following is undertaken, where clinically relevant:
    - (i) a detailed patient history;
    - (ii) complex examination and management;
  - (d) the service is bulk-billed
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**Subgroup 6— Off-Site Patient Assessment on Behalf of a Medical Practitioner**

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93660	Attendance by a relevant health professional on behalf of a medical practitioner for the purpose of assessing a patient’s suitability for a dose of a COVID-19 vaccine if all of the following apply: (a) one or both of the following is undertaken, where clinically relevant: (i) a short patient history; (ii) limited examination and management; (b) the service is bulk-billed; (c) the service is not provided at a practice location; and (d) the service is provided from a practice location in a Modified Monash 1 area	25.10
93661	Attendance by a relevant health professional on behalf of a medical practitioner for the purpose of assessing a patient’s suitability for a dose of a COVID-19 vaccine if all of the following apply: (a) one or both of the following is undertaken, where clinically relevant: (i) a short patient history; (ii) limited examination and management; (b) the service is bulk-billed; (c) the service is not provided at a practice location; and (d) the service is provided from a practice location in: (i) a Modified Monash 2 area; or (ii) a Modified Monash 3 area; or (iii) a Modified Monash 4 area; or (iv) a Modified Monash 5 area; or (v) a Modified Monash 6 area; or (vi) a Modified Monash 7 area	28.65

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