

Health Insurance (Section 3C Midwife and Nurse Practitioner Services) Amendment (No. 1) Determination 2023

I, Louise Riley, delegate of the Minister for Health and Aged Care, make the following Determination.

Dated 23 August 2023

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Health Insurance (Section 3C Midwife and Nurse Practitioner Services) 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. Sections 1 to 4 and anything in this instrument not elsewhere covered by this table	The day after this instrument is registered.	
2. Schedule 1	The day after this instrument is registered.	

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3. Schedule 2	1 November 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Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made.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Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.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 Midwife and Nurse Practitioner Services) Determination 2020

1 Subsection 5(1)

Insert:

non-medicare service means a service provided by a nurse practitioner other than a service that is generally accepted in the nursing profession as being necessary for the appropriate treatment of the patient to whom it is rendered.

2 After subsection 16(5)

Insert:

(6) Items 82200, 82205, 82210 and 82215 do not apply to a service described in the item if the service is provided at the same time as, or in connection with, a non-medicare service.

3 Paragraph 20(c)

Omit "of the Health Insurance (Section 3C Pathology Services – HbA1c Point of Care Testing) Determination 2021".

Schedule 2—Amendments commencing 1 November 2023

Health Insurance (Section 3C Midwife and Nurse Practitioner Services) Determination 2020

1 Schedule 2 (cell at item 73826, column 2)

Repeal the cell, substitute:

Quantitation of glycated haemoglobin (HbA1c) performed by a participating nurse practitioner in the management of established diabetes when performed:

- (a) as a point-of-care test;
- (b) by a nurse practitioner who works in a general practice that is accredited to the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners Standards for point-of-care testing under the National General Practice Accreditation Scheme; and
- (c) using a method and instrument certified by the National Glycohemoglobin Standardization Program (NGSP), if the instrument has a total coefficient variation less than 3.0% at 48 mmol/mol (6.5%)

Applicable not more than 3 times per 12 months per patient