

Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – Other Medical Practitioner) Amendment (No. 2) Determination 2023

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

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Health Insurance (Section 3C General Medical Services – Other Medical Practitioner) Amendment (No. 2) 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 | | |
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| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 |
| Provisions | Commencement | Date/Details |
| 1. The whole of this instrument | Immediately after the commencement of Schedule 5 of the *Health Insurance Legislation Amendment (2023 Measures No. 3) Regulations 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Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made.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Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

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

1 Subsection 4(1)

Repeal the following definitions:

1. definition of ***2016 estimated resident population;***
2. definition of ***affected by bushfire;***
3. definition of ***ASGS;***
4. definition of ***COVID-19 Determination;***
5. definition of ***eating disorder treatment and management plan;***
6. definition of ***eligible area;***

2 Subsection 4(1) (definition of *medical practitioner)*

Repeal the definition, substitute:

***prescribed medical practitioner*** means a medical practitioner who is not a general practitioner, specialist or consultant physician, and who:

1. is registered under section 3GA of the Act, to the extent that the person is practicing during the period in respect of which, and in the location in respect of which, he or she is registered, and insofar as the circumstances specified for paragraph 19AA(3)(b) of the Act apply; or
2. is covered by an exemption under subsection 19AB(3) of the Act; or
3. first became a medical practitioner before 1 November 1996.

**3. Subsection 4(1)**

Repeal the following definitions:

1. definition of ***Modified Monash 1*** area;
2. definition of ***Modified Monash 2 area;***
3. definition of ***Modified Monash 3 area;***
4. definition of ***Modified Monash 4 area;***
5. definition of ***Modified Monash 5 area;***
6. definition of ***Modified Monash 6 area;***
7. definition of ***Modified Monash 7 area;***
8. definition of ***telehealth area****.*

4 Section 6

Repeal the section, substitute:

**6. Application of general provisions of the general medical services table**

1. Clause 1.2.1 of the general medical services table shall have effect as if an item in Schedule 1 of this Determination were specified in Schedule 1 of the general medical services table.
2. Clause 1.2.5 of the general medical services table shall have effect as if:
   1. an item in Schedule 1 of this Determination were specified in subclause 1.2.5(1) of the general medical services table; and
   2. an item in Schedule 1 of this Determination were specified in subclause 1.2.5(3) of the general medical services table.
3. Clause 1.2.7 of the general medical services table shall have effect as if an item in Schedule 1 of this Determination were also specified in subclause 1.2.7(1).
4. Clause 1.2.8 of the general medical services table shall have effect as if an item in Schedule 1 of this Determination were also specified in clause 1.2.8.
5. Clause 1.2.9 of the general medical services table shall have effect as if an item in Schedule 1 of this Determination were also specified in clause 1.2.9.
6. Clause 1.2.10 of the general medical services table shall have effect as if an item in Schedule 1 of this Determination were also specified in clause 1.2.10.

5 Clause 1.1.1 of Schedule 1 (table 1.1.1)

Repeal the table, substitute:

| **Table 1.1.1—Amount under clause 1.1.1** | | | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Item** | **Column 1**  **Item/s of the table** | **Column 2**  **Fee** | **Column 3**  **Amount if not more than 6 patients (to be divided by the number of patients) ($)** | **Column 4**  **Amount if more than 6 patients ($)** |
| 1 | 761 | The fee for item 733 | $22.90 | $1.80 |
| 2 | 763 | The fee for item 737 | $22.90 | $1.80 |
| 3 | 766 | The fee for item 741 | $22.90 | $1.80 |
| 4 | 769 | The fee for item 745 | $22.90 | $1.80 |
| 5 | 772 | The fee for item 733 | $41.15 | $2.90 |
| 6 | 776 | The fee for item 737 | $41.15 | $2.90 |
| 7 | 788 | The fee for item 741 | $41.15 | $2.90 |
| 8 | 789 | The fee for item 745 | $41.15 | $2.90 |
| 9 | 2198 | The fee for item 2197 | $22.90 | $1.80 |
| 10 | 2200 | The fee for item 2197 | $41.15 | $2.90 |

6 Division 1.2 of Schedule 1

Repeal the Division.

7 Division 1.3 of Schedule 1

Repeal the Division.

8 Division 1.4 of Schedule 1

Repeal the Division.

9 Division 1.5 of Schedule 1

Repeal the Division.

10 Division 1.6 of Schedule 1

Repeal the Division.

11 Division 1.7 of Schedule 1

Repeal the Division.

12 Division 1.9 of Schedule 1

Repeal the Division.

13 Division 1.10 of Schedule 1

Repeal the table, substitute:

| **Group A7 – Acupuncture and Non‑Specialist Practitioner Items** | | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Subgroup 10 – Prescribed Medical Practitioner after‑hours attendances to which no other item applies** | |  |
| **Item** | **Description** | **Fee ($)** |
| 733 | Professional attendance at consulting rooms of not more than 5 minutes in duration (other than a service to which another item applies) by a prescribed medical practitioner—each attendance | 25.50 |
| 737 | Professional attendance at consulting rooms of more than 5 minutes in duration but not more than 25 minutes in duration (other than a service to which another item applies) by a prescribed medical practitioner—each attendance | 43.10 |
| 741 | Professional attendance at consulting rooms of more than 25 minutes in duration but not more than 45 minutes in duration (other than a service to which another item applies) by a prescribed medical practitioner—each attendance | 73.95 |
| 745 | Professional attendance at consulting rooms of more than 45 minutes in duration but not more than 60 minutes (other than a service to which another item applies) by a prescribed medical practitioner—each attendance | 103.70 |
| 761 | Professional attendance by a prescribed medical practitioner (other than attendance at consulting rooms, a hospital or a residential aged care facility or a service to which another item in the table applies), lasting not more than 5 minutes—an attendance on one or more patients on one occasion—each patient | Amount under clause 1.1.1 |
| 763 | Professional attendance by a prescribed medical practitioner (other than attendance at consulting rooms, a hospital or a residential aged care facility or a service to which another item in the table applies), lasting more than 5 minutes, but not more than 25 minutes—an attendance on one or more patients on one occasion—each patient | Amount under clause 1.1.1 |
| 766 | Professional attendance by a prescribed medical practitioner (other than attendance at consulting rooms, a hospital or a residential aged care facility or a service to which another item in the table applies), lasting more than 25 minutes, but not more than 45 minutes—an attendance on one or more patients on one occasion—each patient | Amount under clause 1.1.1 |
| 769 | Professional attendance by a prescribed medical practitioner (other than attendance at consulting rooms, a hospital or a residential aged care facility or a service to which another item in the table applies), lasting more than 45 minutes, but not more than 60 minutes—an attendance on one or more patients on one occasion—each patient. | Amount under clause 1.1.1 |
| 772 | Professional attendance (other than a service to which another item applies) at a residential aged care facility (other than a professional attendance at a self‑contained unit) or professional attendance at consulting rooms situated within such a complex if the patient is accommodated in the residential aged care facility (other than accommodation in a self‑contained unit) of not more than 5 minutes in duration by a prescribed medical practitioner—an attendance on one or more patients at one residential aged care facility on one occasion—each patient | Amount under clause 1.1.1 |
| 776 | Professional attendance (other than a service to which another item applies) at a residential aged care facility (other than a professional attendance at a self‑contained unit) or professional attendance at consulting rooms situated within such a complex if the patient is accommodated in the residential aged care facility (other than accommodation in a self‑contained unit) of more than 5 minutes in duration but not more than 25 minutes in duration by a prescribed medical practitioner—an attendance on one or more patients at one residential aged care facility on one occasion—each patient | Amount under clause 1.1.1 |
| 788 | Professional attendance (other than a service to which another item applies) at a residential aged care facility (other than a professional attendance at a self‑contained unit) or professional attendance at consulting rooms situated within such a complex if the patient is accommodated in the residential aged care facility (other than accommodation in a self‑contained unit) of more than 25 minutes in duration but not more than 45 minutes by a prescribed medical practitioner—an attendance on one or more patients at one residential aged care facility on one occasion—each patient | Amount under clause 1.1.1 |
| 789 | Professional attendance (other than a service to which another item applies) at a residential aged care facility (other than a professional attendance at a self‑contained unit) or professional attendance at consulting rooms situated within such a complex if the patient is accommodated in the residential aged care facility (other than accommodation in a self‑contained unit) of more than 45 minutes but not more than 60 minutes in duration by a prescribed medical practitioner—an attendance on one or more patients at one residential aged care facility on one occasion—each patient | Amount under clause 1.1.1 |
| 2197 | Professional attendance at consulting rooms of more than 60 minutes in duration (other than a service to which another item applies) by a prescribed medical practitioner—each attendance. | 176.20 |
| 2198 | Professional attendance by a prescribed medical practitioner (other than attendance at consulting rooms, a hospital or a residential aged care facility or a service to which another item in the table applies), lasting more than 60 minutes—an attendance on one or more patients on one occasion—each patient. | Amount under clause 1.1.1 |
| 2200 | Professional attendance (other than a service to which another item applies) at a residential aged care facility (other than a professional attendance at a self-contained unit) or professional attendance at consulting rooms situated within such a complex if the patient is accommodated in the residential aged care facility (other than accommodation in a self-contained unit) of more than 60 minutes in duration by a prescribed medical practitioner—an attendance on one or more patients at one residential aged care facility on one occasion—each patient. | Amount under clause 1.1.1 |

14 Division 1.11 of Schedule 1

Repeal the Division.

15 Division 1.14 of Schedule 1

Repeal the Division.