**AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGED CARE**

***HEALTH INSURANCE ACT 1973***

**Health Insurance (Medicare Benefits Payable in Respect of Professional Services – South Australia - Medical Services performed under the Single Employer Model Trial) Direction (No. 2) 2024**

I, Nigel Murray, Assistant Secretary, MBS Policy and Specialist Programs Branch, Medicare Benefits and Digital Health Division, Health Resourcing Group, delegate for the Minister for Health and Aged Care, acting under subsection 19(2) of the *Health Insurance Act 1973* (the Act)*,* hereby:

1. REPEAL the *Health Insurance (Medicare Benefits Payable in Respect of Professional Services – South Australia - Medical Services performed under the Single Employer Model Trial) Direction 2024*; and
2. DIRECT that Medicare Benefits shall be payable in respect of:
	1. A professional service (as defined in section 3 of the Act) which has been agreed to be provided under the Rural General Practice and Rural Generalist Single Employer Model Trial Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Health and Aged Care (ABN: 83 605 426 759) and the South Australian Department of Health and Wellbeing (ABN: 97 643 356 590) in relation to the Rural General Practice and Rural Generalist Single Employer Model Trial within regional South Australia for which:
		1. items specified in Schedule A of this Direction; and of the general medical services table (means the table prescribed under subsection 4(1) of the Act), diagnostic imaging services table (means the table prescribed under subsection 4AA(1) of the Act) or pathology services table (means the table prescribed under subsection 4A(1) of the Act) relates: and
	2. Where the professional service is provided to:
		1. an eligible person (as defined in section 3 of the Act); and
		2. a patient who is not receiving the service as part of an episode of hospital treatment (as defined in section 121-5 of the *Private Health Insurance Act 2007*); and
		3. a patient who also is not receiving a service which attracts a payment through the 2020-2025 Addendum to the National Health Reform Agreement for a service rendered to a public patient; and
	3. The professional services referred to in paragraph (2)(a) must be provided:
		1. at a general practice (as defined in Section 7.1.1 of the general medical services table); and
		2. at a rural or remote practice location specified in Schedule B in an eligible area (as defined in the Dictionary of the of the general medical services table); and
		3. by a participating rural generalist or rural general practice trainee participating in the program mentioned in paragraph (2)(a):
			1. who is formally enrolled in a fellowship training program that meets the training standards of either:
				1. the Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine; and/or;
				2. the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners.
			2. who is employed by the South Australian Department of Health and Wellbeing for the provision of primary and acute care services; and
3. DECLARE that this Direction commences on 3 February 2025 and ceases to have effect at the end of 31 December 2028 unless earlier revoked.

Note, this program covers the sixty rural generalist and rural general practice participants who are eligible to use this Direction at any one time.

Date: 18 December 2024

Nigel Murray
Assistant Secretary
MBS Policy and Specialist Programs Branch
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Health Resourcing Group
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**SCHEDULE A**

**MEDICARE BENEFITS SCHEDULE (MBs) ITEMS AS AGREED under the SOuTH AUSTRALIAN rural Generalist SINGLE EMPLOYER Model TRIAL**

For services listed in the below tables, all provisions of the *Health Insurance Act 1973* (the Act) and regulations made under the Act, and the *National Health Act 1953* and regulations made under the *National Health Act 1953*, relating to medical services, professional services or items apply. Medical practitioners and health services must ensure they fulfil the MBS requirements for all items.

***General Medical Services Table***

**Standard Primary Care Services Table**

For services listed in the below table, this list of items includes MBS items that are commonly claimed by doctors in primary care.

| **Group**  | **Group Name**  | **Subgroup**  | **Subgroup Name** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| A1  | General practitioner attendances to which no other item applies  |
| A2  | Other non‑referred attendances to which no other item applies |
| A5  | Prolonged attendances to which no other item applies |
| A6 | Group therapy |
| A7  | Acupuncture and non‑specialist practitioner items |
| A11 | Urgent attendances after—hours |
| A14 | Health assessments |
| A15 | GP management plans, team care arrangements and multidisciplinary care plans and case conferences | 1 | GP management plans, team care arrangements and multidisciplinary care plans |
| 2 | Case conferences |
| A17 | Domiciliary and residential medication management reviews |
| A20 | Mental health care |
| A22 | General practitioner after‑hours attendances to which no other item applies |
| A23 | Other non‑referred after‑hours attendances to which no other item applies |
| A27 | Pregnancy support counselling |
| A29 | Attendance services for complex neurodevelopmental disorder or disability |
| A35 | Non‑referred attendance at a residential aged care facility |
| A36 | Eating disorder services | 1 | Preparation of eating disorder treatment and management plans: general practitioners and non‑specialist medical practitioners |
| 3 | Review of eating disorder treatment and management plans |
| 4 | Providing treatments under eating disorder treatment and management plans |
| A40 | Telehealth and phone attendance services | 1 | General practice telehealth services |
| 2 | General practice phone services |
| 3 | Focussed Psychological Strategies telehealth services |
| 10 | Focussed Psychological Strategies phone services |
| 11 | Health Assessments for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People ‑ Telehealth Service |
| 13 | GP management plans, team care arrangements and multidisciplinary care plans via telehealth attendance |
| 15 | GP Pregnancy Support Counselling ‑ Telehealth Service |
| 16 | GP Pregnancy Support Counselling ‑ Phone Service |
| 17 | GP, specialist and consultant physician complex neurodevelopmental disorder or disability service ‑ telehealth service |
| 19 | GP Mental Health Treatment Plan ‑ Telehealth Service |
| 20 | GP Mental Health Treatment Plan ‑ Phone Service |
| 21 | GP Eating Disorder Treatment and Management Plan – Telehealth Service |
| 25 | Review of an Eating Disorder Plan ‑ Telehealth Service |
| 26 | Review of an Eating Disorder Plan – Phone Service |
| 27 | Eating Disorder Psychological Treatment Services – Telehealth Service |
| 28 | Eating Disorder Psychological Treatment Strategies – Phone Service |
| 29 | GP and Other Medical Practitioner ‑ Urgent After Hours Service in Unsociable Hours ‑ Telehealth Service |
| 37 | Specialist, anaesthesia telehealth services |
| 39 | GP Blood Borne Viruses, Sexual or Reproductive Health Consultation – Telehealth Service |
| 40 | GP Blood Borne Viruses, Sexual or Reproductive Health Consultation – Phone Service |
| A44 | General Practice Attendance for Assessing Patient Suitability for a COVID‑19 Vaccine |
| M1 | Management of bulk‑billed services |
| M12 | Services provided by a practice nurse, an Aboriginal health worker or an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioner on behalf of a medical practitioner | 1 | Video conferencing consultation support service provided by a practice nurse, an Aboriginal health worker or an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioner on behalf of a medical practitioner |
| 3 | Services provided by a practice nurse or an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioner on behalf of a medical practitioner |

**Non-Standard Primary Care Services Table**

For services listed in the below table, this list of items includes MBS items that are not commonly claimed by doctors in primary care.

| **Group**  | **Group Name**  | **Subgroup**  | **Subgroup Name** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| D1 | Miscellaneous diagnostic procedures and investigations | 2 | Ophthalmology |
| 3 | Otolaryngology |
| 4 | Respiratory |
| 5 | Vascular |
| 6 | Cardiovascular |
| 8 | Genito‑urinary physiological investigations |
| 9 | Allergy testing |
| 10 | Other diagnostic procedures and investigations |
| D2 | Nuclear medicine (non‑imaging) |
| T1 | Miscellaneous therapeutic procedures | 2 | Dialysis |
| 4 | Paediatric and neonatal |
| 5 | Cardiovascular |
| 8 | Haematology |
| 9 | Procedures associated with intensive care and cardiopulmonary support |
| 11 | Chemotherapeutic procedures |
| 13 | Miscellaneous therapeutic procedures |
| T3 | Therapeutic nuclear medicine |
| T4 | Obstetrics |
| T6  | Examination by anaesthetist |
| T7 | Regional or field nerve blocks |
| T8 | Surgical operations | 1 | General |
| 2 | Colorectal |
| 3 | Vascular |
| 4 | Gynaecological |
| 5 | Urological |
| 6 | Cardio‑thoracic |
| 7 | Neurosurgical |
| 8 | Ear, nose and throat |
| 9 | Ophthalmology |
| 11 | Paediatric |
| 12 | Amputations |
| 13 | Plastic and reconstructive surgery |
| 14 | Hand or wrist surgery |
| 15 | Orthopaedic |
| T9 | Assistance at operations |
| T10  | Anaesthesia performed in connection with certain services (Relative Value Guide) |

***Diagnostic Imaging Services Table***

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| **Group**  | **Group Name**  | **Subgroup**  | **Subgroup Name** |
| I1 | ultrasound | 6 | Musculoskeletal ultrasound |
| I3 | diagnostic radiology | 1 | Radiographic examination of extremities |
| 2 | Radiographic examination of shoulder or pelvis |
| 3 | Radiographic examination of head |
| 4 | Radiographic examination of spine |
| 5 | Bone age study and skeletal survey |
| 6 | Radiographic examination of thoracic region |
| 7 | Radiographic examination of urinary tract |
| 8 | Radiographic examination of alimentary tract and biliary system |
| 12 | Radiographic examination with opaque or contrast media |
| I6 | management of bulk‑billed services |

***Pathology Services Table***

| **Group**  | **Group Name**  |
| --- | --- |
| P1 | haematology |
| P2 | chemical |
| P9  | simple basic pathology tests |
| P12  | management of bulk‑billed services |

**SCHEDULE B**

**MEDICARE BENEFITS SCHEDULE (MBS) ITEMS AS AGREED under the SOUTH AUSTRALIAN rural general practice and rural Generalist SINGLE EMPLOYER Model TRIAL**

Approved primary care Modified Monash Model (MMM) 2 locations:

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| **MMM 2 location** | **Practice Name** | **Legal Name** | **Street Address** |
| Gumeracha | Gumeracha Medical Practice | Gum Medical Pty Ltd | 29 Albert Street Gumeracha SA 5233 |

Approved primary care Modified Monash Model (MMM) 3 locations:

| **MMM 3 location** | **Practice Name** | **Legal Name** | **Street Address** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Goolwa | Goolwa Medical Centre | Goolwa Medical Services Trust | 9 Crocker Street Goolwa SA 5214 |
| Littlehampton | Littlehampton Medical Centre | The Trustee For Littlehampton Medical Management Trust | 89 North Terrace Littlehampton SA 5250 |
| Middleton | Mill House Medical Centre  | Mill House Medical Centre Pty Ltd | 5 Goolwa Road Middleton SA 5213 |
| Mount Barker | Adelaide Hills Country Medical Centre | Adelaide Hills Country Practice Pty Ltd | 38 Adelaide Road Mount Barker SA 5251 |
| Mount Barker | GP Care (part of Summit Health) | Summit Health Incorporated | 85 Wellington Road Mount Barker SA 5251 |
| Mount Barker | Mount Barker / Balhannah Medical Centre | The Trustee For BALMED SERVICE TRUST | 59 Wellington Road Mount Barker SA 5251 |
| Mount Barker | Mount Barker Medical Clinic | Hills Medical Pty Ltd | Suite 1/ 15-19 Victoria Crescent Mount Barker SA 5251 |
| Mount Barker | Mount Barker South Medical Centre | Hills Medical Pty Ltd | 58 Wellington Road Mount Barker SA 5251 |
| Mount Gambier | Hawkins Medical Clinic | The Trustee for The Hawkins Medical Clinic Practice Trust | 30 Sturt St Mount Gambier SA 5290 |
| Victor Harbor | Skintech Medical  | Brooks Medical Pty Ltd | 23 Mayfield Terrace Victor Harbor SA 5211 |
| Victor Harbor | Victor Medical Centre | D.K Batt & N Dixon & A.G Doley & R.J Greasley & K Hancock & A.M Hoile & D.S Makoy & J Mintz & C North & C.L Price & E.M Radcliffe & J Shute & T Sullivan & K Van Gordon & G.A Wildman | 11 Torrens Street Victor Harbor SA 5211 |
| Whyalla Norrie | Bunyarra Medical Clinic | Bunyarra Medical Clinic Pty Ltd | 153 Nicolson Avenue Whyalla Norrie SA 5608 |
| Whyalla Stuart | McRitchie Crescent Surgery  | The Trustee for the Connolly Family Trust | 31 McRitchie Crescent Whyalla Stuart SA 5608 |

Approved primary care Modified Monash Model (MMM) 4 locations:

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| **MMM 4 location** | **Practice Name** | **Legal Name** | **Street Address** |
| Angaston | Angaston Medical Centre | Angaston Medical Centre Pty Ltd | 46 Murray Street Angaston SA 5353 |
| Angaston | Angaston Medical Centre - Health on Washington | Angaston Medical Centre Pty Ltd | 3-7 Fife Street Angaston SA 5353 |
| Port Augusta | Augusta Westside Medical Centre | The Trustee For David Hazel Family Trust | 25 Loudon Road Port Augusta West SA 5700 |
| Port Augusta | Port Augusta Medical Centre | Omar Hayat Nominees Pty Ltd | 15-19 Gibson Street Port Augusta SA 5700 |
| Port Pirie | Terrace Clinic | Terrace Clinic Pty Ltd | 138 The Terrace Port Pirie SA 5540 |
| Port Pirie | Central Clinic | Medical Sixth Group Pty Ltd | 101 Florence St Port Pirie SA 5540 |

Approved primary care Modified Monash Model (MMM) 5 locations:

| **MMM 5 location** | **Practice Name** | **Legal Name** | **Street Address** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Ardrossan | Medical HQ Ardrossan | Ardrossan Medical Practice Pty Ltd | 10 Second St Ardrossan 5571 |
| Booleroo Centre | Booleroo Medical Centre | Yorke And Northern Local Health Network Incorporated | 11b Stephens St Booleroo Centre SA 5482 |
| Clare | Clare Medical Centre | G.T Considine & P.D Gribble & L.Y Koo & T.R Nottage & M.W Nugent & T.A Owen & M.S Scheepers  | 41 Old North Road, Clare SA 5453 |
| Crystal Brook | Crystal Brook Medical Practice | Forrester Medical Pty Ltd & H Deer Medical Pty Ltd & Kc Chen Family Medical Practice Pty Ltd | 1 Claridge Road Crystal Brook SA 5523 |
| Eudunda | Eudunda Medical Practice  | The Trustee For Kapunda Surgery Unit Trust | 25a Bruce Street Eudunda SA 5374 |
| Hawker | Hawker Medical Centre | Flinders And Upper North Local Health Network Incorporated | 9 Druid Range Drive Hawker SA 5434 |
| Jamestown | Goyder's Line Medical Practice | Jamestown Peterborough Medical Practice Pty Ltd | 66 Irvine St Jamestown SA 5491 |
| Kadina | Kadina Medical Associates | The Trustee For The Kma Services Unit Trust | 77-79 Port Road Kadina SA 5554 |
| Kapunda | Kapunda Medical Practice  | The Trustee For Kapunda Surgery Unit Trust |  32 Hill Street Kapunda SA 5373 |
| Kapunda | Kapunda Medical Practice (Willow Drive) | The Trustee For Kapunda Surgery Unit Trust |  4 Willow Drive Kapunda SA 5373 |
| Kingston  SE | Kingston Medical Centre   | The Trustee For Limestone Coast Health Unit Trust | 89 Agnes Street Kingston SE SA 5275 |
| Laura | Laura District Medical Practice | The Trustee For Laura District Medical Practice Unit Trust | 53-55 Mill Street Laura SA 5480 |
| Lobethal | Lobethal Medical Centre | Gum Medical Pty Ltd | 5 Wattle Street Lobethal SA 5241 |
| Maitland | Medical HQ Maitland | Medical Hq Group Pty Ltd | 69 Robert St Maitland SA 5573 |
| Mount Pleasant | Talunga Clinic | The Trustee For Talunga Clinic Unit Trust | 28 Hospital Road Mount Pleasant SA 5253 |
| Naracoorte  | Kincraig Medical Clinic | Naracoorte Medical Centre Pty Ltd | 6 Cedar Ave Naracoorte SA 5271 |
| Nuriootpa | Nuriootpa Medical Centre | The Trustee For Nuriootpa Medical Clinic Trust | 6 Memorial Avenue Nuriootpa SA 5355 |
| Port Broughton | Broughton Clinic |  N.P. Witford Pty Ltd & Dr A.R. Edwards | 22 Bay Street Port Broughton SA 5522 |
| Robe | Robe Medical Centre   | The Trustee For Limestone Coast Health Unit Trust | 1 Smillie Street Robe SA 5276   |
| Strathalbyn | Strathalbyn Family Medical Centre | Hills Medical Pty Ltd | Unit 4/10-14 Braemar Drive Strathalbyn SA 5255 |
| Strathalbyn | Strathalbyn Medical Clinic | Sempire Strathalbyn Medical Clinic Pty Ltd | 24 West Terrace Strathalbyn SA 5255 |
| Tanunda  | Tanunda Medical Centre | W.J Geyer & S.M Malone & J.M Myatt & N.K Payne & D.K Pellegrini & M.S Teague & S.G Teague & F.J Vivian | 13 Mill Street Tanunda SA 5352 |
| Yankalilla | Southern Fleurieu Family Practice | The Trustee For Southern Fleurieu Medical Service Trust | 175 Main South Road Yankalilla 5203 |

Approved primary care Modified Monash Model (MMM) 6 locations:

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| **MMM 6 location** | **Practice Name** | **Legal Name** | **Street Address** |
| Coffin Bay | Lower Eyre Family Practice  | Dr Gc Quigley Pty Ltd | 5/61 Esplanade Coffin Bay SA 5607 |
| Cummins | Lower Eyre Family Practice | Dr Gc Quigley Pty Ltd | Tumby Bay Road Cummins SA 5631 |
| Port Lincoln | The Investigator Clinic | The Trustee For Investigator Clinic Unit Trust | 86 Liverpool Street Port Lincoln SA 5606 |
| Port Lincoln | Lincoln Medical Centre | The Trustee For Lincoln Medical Centre Trust | 10 Haigh Street Port Lincoln SA 5606 |
| Port Lincoln | Boston Bay Family Health Practice  | The Trustee For The Dg & Ac Bascomb Family Trust | 10 New West Road Port Lincoln SA 5606 |
| Roxby Downs | Roxby Downs Doctors Surgery | Rdds Pty Ltd | 16-28 Burgoyne Street Roxby Downs SA 5725 |
| Roxby Downs | Roxby Downs Family Practice | Lockwood Medical Group Pty Ltd | 24 Gregory Street Roxby Downs SA 5725 |
| Streaky Bay | Shoreline Medical | The Trustee For MLB Unit Trust | 1 Flinders Drive Streaky Bay SA 5680 |
| Tumby Bay | Tumby Bay Medical Clinic | The Trustee For Bayview Medical Services Trust | 8 Esplanade Tumby Bay SA 5605 |

Approved primary care Modified Monash Model (MMM) 7 locations:

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| **MMM 7 location** | **Practice Name** | **Legal Name** | **Street Address** |
| Ceduna | Ceduna Family Medical Practice | Eyre And Far North Local Health Network Inc | 3 Eyre Highway Ceduna SA 5690 |
| Coober Pedy | Coober Pedy Medical Practice | Eyre And Far North Local Health Network Inc | 89 Mcdougall Road Coober Pedy SA 5723 |
| Kingscote | Kangaroo Island Medical Clinic | The Trustee For Island Locum Trust | 64 Murray Street Kingscote 5223 |
| Wudinna | Wudinna Medical Practice | The Trustee For Scott Lewis Trust | 8 Richards Avenue Wudinna SA 5652 |