

# Your GP is moving to **Private Billing**

Effective 1 August 2022, the doctors at this practice will move to private billing, and each doctor will determine their own fee after the consultation.

- Payment will be required at the time of your consultation.
- Children 12 years and under will be bulk billed. Children 13 and over will incur a fee.
- Health Care Card Holders and Pensioners will incur an out-of-pocket fee.
- Government-funded immunisations will continue to be bulk billed. Non-government-funded immunisations will incur a fee.

Common fees are listed below, along with the Medicare rebate and the out-of-pocket expense. Our receptionists can process your Medicare rebate at the time of payment on the spot or process it through Medicare automatically into your nominated bank account within 48 hours.

# Private Fees Explained



## ITEM

### The service your GP provided

Each service carries an item number

Depending on the complexity of your consultation, you may be charged multiple item numbers.



## FEE

### What the service will cost you

Your GP will determine the cost of your consult on the day

You will need to pay upfront for your consultation on the day



## MEDICARE REBATE

### How much medicare will cover

Depending on the service your GP provides, you may receive a Medicare Rebate. Most of the time, we will be able to process an instant rebate, meaning you will see the rebate deposited into your account that day.

At times the complexity of your consultation will mean that your rebate cannot be instantly processed. You will receive your rebate within 2-5 working days



## Out of Pocket

### How much you will pay for the service

After you have paid the fee and received your rebate, this is what you will be out of pocket for the service your GP provided you.

<b>RVMC</b>	<b>FEE</b>	<b>MEDICARE REBATE</b>	<b>OUT OF POCKET</b>
<b>Standard appointment</b>	<b>\$ 85.00</b>	<b>\$ 39.75</b>	<b>\$ 45.25</b>
<b>Long appointment</b>	<b>\$ 140.00</b>	<b>\$ 76.95</b>	<b>\$ 63.05</b>
<b>Pro-longed appointment</b>	<b>\$ 195.00</b>	<b>\$ 113.30</b>	<b>\$ 81.70</b>
<b>Weekend - Standard appointment</b>	<b>\$ 103.00</b>	<b>\$ 39.75</b>	<b>\$ 63.25</b>
<b>Weekend - Long appointment</b>	<b>\$ 170.00</b>	<b>\$ 76.95</b>	<b>\$ 93.05</b>
<b>Weekend - Pro-longed appointment</b>	<b>\$ 228.00</b>	<b>\$ 113.30</b>	<b>\$ 114.70</b>

# What is the **Medicare Safety Net**



What  
are the  
**out  
of  
pocket**  
costs?

- Seeing a doctor or specialist
- Some tests and scans like blood tests and CT scans.

## Keep in mind



**your doctor's visit or test will still cost the same.**  
**If you're enrolled in Medicare, you're eligible for Medicare Safety Nets.**

**Medicare Safety Nets can help to lower your out-of-pocket medical costs for out of hospital services.**

**If you need to see a doctor or get tests regularly, you could end up with high medical costs. Medicare Safety Nets can help to lower your out-of-pocket costs.**

## How does it work?

**When you spend over a certain amount in a calendar year, Medicare will give you a higher amount back.**



**Medicare calculates the Safety Nets each calendar year, 1 January to 31 December.**

# 2022 Medicare Safety Net Thresholds

Thresholds	Threshold amount	Who it's for	What counts towards the threshold	What benefit you'll get back
Original Medicare Safety Net (OMSN)	\$495.60	Everyone in Medicare	Your gap amount for the calendar year.	100% of the schedule fee for out of hospital services.
Extended Medicare Safety Net (EMSN)- General	\$2249.80	Everyone in Medicare	Your out of pocket amount for the calendar year.	80% of out of pocket costs or the EMSN benefit caps for out of hospital services.
Extended Medicare Safety Net (EMSN) - Concessional and Family Tax Benefit Part A	\$717.90	Concession cardholders and families eligible for Family Tax Benefit Part A	Your out of pocket amount for the calendar year.	80% of out of pocket costs or the EMSN benefits caps for out of hospital services.

For more information on Medicare Safety Net Thresholds, please call Medicare or visit their website.

This information has taken directly from the Medicare website <https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/medicare-safety-nets>