



Medicare Benefits Schedule Items

Skin Excisions and Biopsies

Size of lesion	Description	Item number	Fee ⁱ
Malignant melanoma, appendageal carcinoma, malignant connective tissue tumour of skin or merkel cell carcinoma of skin, definitive surgical excision (other than by shave excision) and repair of:			
>6mm	Nose, eyelid, eyebrow, lip, ear, digit, genitalia or a contiguous area	31371*	\$357.00
<14mm	Face, neck, scalp, nipple-areola, distal lower/upper limb	31372*	\$308.70
>14mm	Face, neck, scalp, nipple-areola, distal lower/upper limb	31373*	\$356.80
<15mm	Body, other than above	31374*	\$281.90
15-30mm	Body, other than above	31375*	\$303.40
>30mm	Body, other than above	31376*	\$351.60
Malignant skin lesion surgical excision (other than by shave excision) and repair of:			
<6mm	Nose, eyelid, eyebrow, lip, ear, digit, genitalia or a contiguous area	31356*	\$221.35
>6mm	Nose, eyelid, eyebrow, lip, ear, digit, genitalia or a contiguous area	31358*	\$270.85
<14mm	Face, neck, scalp, nipple-areola, distal lower/upper limb	31361*	\$186.70
>14mm	Face, neck, scalp, nipple-areola, distal lower/upper limb	31363*	\$244.30
<15mm	Body, other than above	31365*	\$158.30
15-30mm	Body, other than above	31367*	\$213.60
>30mm	Body, other than above	31369*	\$245.90

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Tumour, cyst, ulcer or scar, removal of and suture, if specimen excised and sent for histological examination:			
<10mm	Mucous membrane	31206*	\$95.45
10-20mm	Mucous membrane	31211*	\$123.10
>20mm	Mucous membrane	31216*	\$143.55
<10mm	4 to 10 lesions^ - from cutaneous or subcutaneous tissue	31220*	\$214.55
<10mm	4 to 10 lesions^ - from a mucous membrane	31221*	\$214.55
>10mm	>10 lesions^ - from skin or mucous membrane	31225*	\$381.30
Benign skin lesion including cyst, ulcer or scar, excision and repair of, where specimen is sent for histological examination:			
<6mm	Nose, eyelid, eyebrow, lip, ear, digit, genitalia or contiguous area	31357*	\$109.70
>6mm	Nose, eyelid, eyebrow, lip, ear, digit, genitalia or a contiguous area	31360*	\$168.05
<14mm	Face, neck, scalp, nipple-areola, distal lower/upper limb	31362*	\$133.90
>14mm	Face, neck, scalp, nipple-areola, distal lower/upper limb	31364*	\$168.05
<15mm	Body, other than above	31366*	\$95.45
15-30mm	Body, other than above	31368*	\$125.55
>30mm	Body, other than above	31370*	\$143.55
Repair of wounds, skin and subcutaneous tissue or mucous membrane:			
<7cm	Superficial, other than on face or neck	30026*	\$52.20
<7cm	Deep, other than on face or neck	30029*	\$90.00
<7cm	Superficial, face or neck	30032*	\$82.50
<7cm	Deep, face or neck	30035*	\$117.55
>7cm	Superficial, other than on face or neck	30038*	\$90.00
>7cm	Deep, other than on face or neck (GP item)	30042*	\$185.60
>7cm	Superficial, face or neck	30045*	\$117.55
>7cm	Deep, face or neck	30049*	\$185.60
Soft tissue, deep or extensively contaminated, including debridement and suture		30023*	\$326.05
Full thickness laceration of ear, eyelid, nose or lip		30052*	\$254.00

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Biopsy for diagnostic purposes, sent for pathological examination:			
	Biopsy of skin	30071*	\$52.20
	Biopsy of mucous membrane	30072*	\$52.20
	Biopsy of lymph gland, muscle, deep tissue or organ	30075*	\$149.75
Removal of:			
	Ganglion or small bursa	30107*	\$219.95
	Large bursa, including olecranon, calcaneum or patella	30111*	\$371.50

Icon	Definition	Icon	Definition
<	Less than	*	Multiple rule applies
>	More than	^	Item is billed per lesion

ⁱ Medicare rebates are paid as a percentage of the Medicare Schedule Fee. Please use the [MBS online search](#) to confirm the available rebate, and to access the full list of MBS item numbers.