

MBS Items

Practice Nurse

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Medicare definition of a Practice Nurse

Medicare defines a practice nurse as either a registered or enrolled nurse who is employed, or whose services are retained, by a medical practitioner.

Practice Nurse items

A series of Medicare Benefit Schedule (MBS) items are available to practice nurses who provide a service on behalf of, and under the supervision of a medical practitioner. The appropriate MBS item is billed under the supervising medical practitioner's Medicare provider number. These items assist in offsetting the cost of employing the practice nurse.

The medical practitioner under whose supervision the service is provided must ensure that the practice nurse is appropriately registered, qualified, trained and covered by indemnity insurance to undertake the service. The medical practitioner also retains responsibility for the health, safety and clinical outcomes of the patient.

Practice Nurse MBS Items

Item	Description
10987-F2F 93202-Phone 93200-Video	Follow up for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people's health assessment – 10 per calendar year
10997-F2F 93203-Phone 93201-Video	Service provided to a person with a chronic condition who has a GP CCMP that has been prepared or reviewed in the last 18 months; or until the end of 30 June 2027 a GPMP prepared before 1 July 2025 or MCP in place. Max of 5 per patient per calendar year.
10983	Telehealth patient-end clinical support provided by a Nurse within a Telehealth eligible area or at an Aboriginal Medical Service
16400	Antenatal Service Provided by a Nurse in a regional, rural or remote area.

Services where a Practice Nurse may assist the Medical Practitioner

MBS services such as health assessments (MBS item numbers 701, 703, 705, 707 and 715) and chronic condition management (MBS item numbers 965, 967) may only be claimed by a medical practitioner who has personally attended the patient. However, suitably qualified health professionals such as a practice nurse, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioner or Aboriginal health worker employed by the general practice may assist the medical practitioner in performing these services.

Such assistance must be provided in accordance with accepted medical practice and under the supervision of the medical practitioner. This may include activities associated with:

- Information collection; and
- Providing patients with information and education.

Practice Nurse assisted MBS Items

Item	Description
701	Health Assessment# Brief <30 mins
703	Health Assessment# Standard 30-45 mins
705	Health Assessment# Long 45-60 mins
707	Health Assessment# Prolonged ≥60 mins
715	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health assessment (every 9 months)
965	GP Chronic Condition Management Plan (GP CCMP)
967	Review of a GP CCMP

More Information

Advice on these items and further guidance are available at:

MBS Online: <http://www.mbsonline.gov.au/>

Education guide - Practice nurse items:

<https://www.humanservices.gov.au/organisations/health-professionals/topics/education-guide-practice-nurse-items/33236>

Primary Care Items:

www.health.gov.au/mbsprimarycareitems

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– refer to source for full item details including eligibility & restrictions.

#Refer to MBS for full patient eligibility guidelines.

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