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Enhanced Primary Care

Some notes regarding Health Assessments

When to charge the “at home” Item number:

If any part of the Health Assessment is conducted at the patient's home then the “**at home**” items can be charged:

Item 702	\$175.85 (85% rebate)
Item 706	\$175.85 (85% rebate) for Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islanders

Therefore **if a nurse** conducts part of the Assessment at the patient's **home**, the **GP can charge the “at home” item**.

If the **entire** Health Assessment is conducted at the GP's Surgery, then the “**consulting room**” items should be charged:

Item 700	\$124.35 (85% rebate)
Item 704	\$124.35 (85% rebate) for Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islanders

Veterans Affairs Patients:

Veterans who fit criteria for the Health Assessment process operated by DVA can now have an HIC Over 75 Health Assessment. It is no longer a requirement to send a copy of the Health Assessment to DVA. Just make a copy available to DVA if requested. The GP gets reimbursed through the HIC, but will be entitled to 100% of the scheduled fee if the GP is registered with DVA.

It is recommended that the surgery identify that this is a DVA patient, and that the GP is registered with DVA **on the Medicare Claim Slip**.

The scheduled fees are \$206.85 for the items conducted in the patient's home (Item 702 or 706-Aboriginal/Torres Strait); and \$146.25 for the items conducted in the consulting room (Item 700 or 704-Aboriginal/Torres Strait).