

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

MBS items for services provided by practice nurses (Information correct as at October 2007)

Item number	Service	Brief description
10993	Immunisation	Immunisation provided to a person by a practice nurse if: (a) the immunisation is provided on behalf of, and under the supervision of, a medical practitioner; and (b) the person is not an admitted patient of a hospital or approved day hospital facility
10994	Pap smears	Services provided by a practice nurse, being the taking of a cervical smear and preventive checks, if: (a) the service provided on behalf of, and under the supervision of, a medical practitioner; and (b) the person is not an admitted patient of the hospital or approved day hospital facility. This item cannot be claimed with items 2497-2509, 2598-2616, 10995, 10998 or 10999.
10995	Pap smears	Services provided by a practice nurse, being the taking of a cervical smear from a women between the age of 20 and 69 inclusive, who has not had cervical smear in the last 4 years, and preventive checks if: (a) the service provided on behalf of, and under the supervision of, a medical practitioner; and (b) the person is not an admitted patient of the hospital or approved day hospital facility. This item cannot be claimed with items 2497-2509, 2598-2616, 10994, 10998 or 10999
10996	Wound management	Treatment of a person's wound (other than normal aftercare) provided by a practice nurse if: (a) the treatment is provided on behalf of, and under the supervision of a medical practitioner; and (b) the person is not an admitted patient of a hospital or day-hospital facility
10997	Pap smears	Service provided with a chronic disease by a practice nurse or registered Aboriginal Health Worker if: (a) the service provided on behalf of, and under the supervision of, a medical practitioner; and (b) the person is not admitted patient of a hospital; and (c) the person has a GP management Plan, Team Care Arrangement or Multidisciplinary Care Plan in place; and (d) the service is consistent with GP Management Plan, Team Care Arrangement or Multidisciplinary Care Plan to a maximum of 5 year services per patient in a calendar year
10998	Pap smears	Services provided by a practice nurse, being the taking of cervical smear from a person, if: (a) the service is provided on behalf of, and under the supervision of, a medical practitioner; and (b) the person is not an admitted patient of a hospital or approved day hospital facility. This item cannot be claimed with items 3497-2509, 2598-2616, 10994, 10995 or 10999
10999	Pap smears	Services provided by a practice nurse, being the taking of a cervical smear from a women between the ages of 20 and 69 inclusive, who has not had cervical smear in the last 4 years, if: (a) the service provided on behalf of, and under the supervision of, a medical practitioner; and (b) the person is not admitted patient of a hospital or approved day hospital facility. This item cannot be claimed with items 2497-2509, 2598-2616, 10994, 10995 or 10999
16400	Antenatal service	Provided by appropriately trained midwife, nurse or registered Aboriginal Health Worker for and on behalf of a GP or a specialist or consultant physician.

Other MBS items which can be used by practice nurses in conjunction with the GP include the following.

- Respiratory function tests (Item 11503)
- Spirometry (Item 11506)
- Stick prick allergy testing (Item 1200)
- Diabetes education service (Item 10951)
- Health assessments (Items 700 to 706)
- Comprehensive medical assessments
- Care plans
- Management plans for chronic disease (Items 721, 725)
- Team Care Arrangement (Items 723, 727)

Links to resources for business case development

DHS website information about how to use MBS items – link
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/communityhealth/gps.mbs.htm>

North East Valley Division guides for information management – link
<http://www.nevdgp.org.au/files/informationmanagement/imresources>

MBS wall charts – Bayside General Practice Network Ltd – link www.centralbayside.com.au

PCS Clinical Audit System – www.pencs.com.au

The Practice Health Atlas™ - www.awgpn.org.au

The Canning Data Extraction Tool – www.canningdivision.com.au

Components of practice nurse orientation

The components of general practice orientation according to the Riverina Division of General Practice and Primary Health Ltd's *Orientation to General Practice Kit* include the following.

- Overview of Australian Health System
- Introduction to General Practice in Australia
- Primary Health Care
- Funding Mechanisms
- Enhanced Primary Care
- More Allied Health Services Program
- Practice Accreditation
- Practice Incentive Payment
- Standard Whole Patient Equivalent
- Division Network
- Clinical Software
- Appointment Systems
- Support Systems
- Child Protection Documents.