



Practice fees information from July 1st, 2023

Consultations

There is a gap (out of pocket) fee for most consultations provided at WMC.

Standard Consultation Fees. Face to Face, Video or Phone.

Consultation type	Standard fee	Standard gap	Concession fee	Concession gap
Brief	\$53.50	\$34.65	\$32.10	\$13.25
Standard (<20mins)	\$91.00	\$49.80	\$69.60	\$28.40
Long (20-39mins)	\$133.80	\$54.10	\$112.40	\$32.70
Prolonged (40+mins)	\$187.30	\$69.90	\$165.90	\$48.50

Medicare rebates for phone consults are only available for brief or standard consultations

Concessional fees apply to: -

- Aged Pension Card Holders.
- Disability Pension Card Holders.
- Health Care Card Holders.
- Children 6 years and older.

Bulk-billed visits

We continue to bulk-bill some types of appointments.

- Appointments for DVA Gold or White Card holders.
- Appointments for children under 6 years of age.
- All childhood immunisations.
- Appointments with a nurse only (e.g., cervical screening, injection or a wound dressing).
- COVID and Flu vaccine clinics.
- Chronic disease management consultations, such as annual care plans, 3-6 monthly care plan reviews, and annual health assessments.

Medicare Safety Nets

We strongly encourage all patients to familiarise themselves with **Medicare Safety Nets**, which can significantly limit your out-of-pocket costs over the course of a calendar year.

By ensuring that your bank account details are registered with Medicare online, your Medicare rebate will be returned to your account within 24 hours of paying your fee at WMC.

Search: Medicare Safety Nets 

Schedule of Common Fees at WMC from July 1st, 2023

Mental Health (MH) Consultation Fees

Consultation type	Standard fee	Standard gap	Concession fee	Concession gap
MH consult 20+mins	\$133.80	\$55.25	\$112.40	\$33.85
MH care plan 20-40mins	\$155.20	\$55.50	\$133.80	\$34.10
MH care plan 40+mins	\$203.30	\$56.40	\$181.90	\$35.00
Review of MH care plan	\$133.80	\$55.25	\$112.40	\$33.85

Women's Health Fees

Service type	Standard fee	Standard gap	Concession fee	Concession gap
Antenatal attendance	\$107.00	\$63.05	\$85.60	\$41.65
Postnatal consultation	\$123.05	\$56.25	\$101.65	\$34.85
Pregnancy counselling	\$139.10	\$55.20	\$117.70	\$33.85
Insertion of Implanon	\$86.65	\$53.50	\$86.65	\$53.50
Removal of Implanon	\$110.05	\$53.50	\$110.05	\$53.50
Insertion of IUD	\$128.15	\$53.50	\$128.15	\$53.50

Procedures

Procedures attract a \$53.50 gap fee for all patients. This includes all biopsies and skin lesion excisions.

Skin excision fees

Type of lesion	Gap for all patients	Price range depending on size and location on body.
Benign	\$53.50	\$142.45 - \$408.50
BCC/SCC	\$53.50	\$200.85 – \$324.70
Melanoma	\$53.50	\$142.45 - \$385.85
Biopsy only	\$53.50	\$102.15

For many excisions, we won't know the exact fee until after the specimen has been examined by the pathologist. We will ask you to pay these fees when you come for removal of sutures.

Procedure fees

Other procedures can attract a total fee of between **\$75.40** and **\$311.20** each, with a maximum gap of **\$53.50** per procedure. This includes but is not limited to venesection, wound repair with stitches or glue, removal of foreign bodies, drainage of haematomas or abscesses, and treatment of ingrown nails.

Cryotherapy

Service type	Standard fee	Concession fee	Standard gap	Concession gap
Cryotherapy 10+ skin lesions	\$58.25	\$58.25	\$21.40	\$21.40
Cryotherapy <10 lesions	\$21.40	\$10.70	\$21.40	\$10.70

Diagnostic tests

Test type	Fee for all patients	Gap for all patients
Electrocardiogram (ECG)	\$37.45	\$20.30
Spirometry (diagnostic)	\$80.25	\$41.95
Spirometry (monitoring)	\$80.25	\$61.05
Pregnancy test	\$21.40	\$12.75

Immunisations

Most immunisations will be bulk billed, e.g.,

Childhood immunisations.

An appointment booked primarily with a nurse for the administration of a vaccine which has been pre-arranged with your GP.

An appointment that is part of an organised immunisation clinic, e.g., Flu or COVID-19 whether booked with a doctor or nurse.

Other immunisations will attract a fee, e.g.,

Any complex discussion of immunisation that requires in-depth consultation with your GP.

The cost of any vaccine not covered by the National Immunisation Program.

Q Fever skin test to assess suitability for immunisation.

Fees related to immunisations	Standard fee	Standard gap	Concession fee	Concession gap
Q fever skin test	\$69.60	\$69.60	\$69.60	\$69.60
Q fever vaccine (if indicated)	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Yellow fever vaccine	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Influenza vaccine <i>(if you are not eligible for govt. funded stock)</i>	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
Hepatitis A vaccine (adult)	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
Hepatitis B	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00
Pertussis (whooping cough) – Adacel	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00
Typhoid vaccine	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
Vivaxim (combined Hep A + Typhoid)	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00

After Hours Consultations

Westside Medical Centre provides after hours care for our patients at times when the surgery isn't open. This service is operated by a variety of the doctors who normally practice at Westside according to a roster system. The on-call doctor will be able to access the medical records that your usual GP keeps.

The phone service fee will be **\$110** and if the doctor deems it necessary to see you out of hours, the minimum call-out fee will be **\$270**. Medicare rebates will apply for eligible patients.

Surgery visit	Standard fee	Standard gap	Concession fee	Concession gap
Brief	\$267.50	\$235.75	\$267.50	\$235.75
Standard (<20mins)	\$267.50	\$213.85	\$267.50	\$213.85
Long (20-39mins)	\$267.50	\$175.50	\$267.50	\$175.50
Prolonged (40+mins)	\$321.00	\$192.00	\$321.00	\$192.00

Home visit	Standard fee	Standard gap	Concession fee	Concession gap
Brief	\$267.50	\$207.30	\$267.50	\$207.30
Standard (<20mins)	\$267.50	\$185.40	\$267.50	\$185.40
Long (20-39mins)	\$267.50	\$147.05	\$267.50	\$147.05
Prolonged (40+mins)	\$321.00	\$163.55	\$321.00	\$163.55
