

Medicare Resource Guide for Allied Health Professionals

Understanding GPCCMP and Medicare Service Provision

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1. Overview of the GPCCMP Framework

What is GPCCMP?

The **GP Chronic Condition Management Plan (GPCCMP)** replaced the former GP Management Plans (GPMPs) and Team Care Arrangements (TCAs) on **1 July 2025**. This simplified framework streamlines chronic disease management and allied health referrals.

Key Changes from the Old System

- Single plan replaces two: GPCCMP replaces both GPMP and TCA
- No collaboration requirement: GPs no longer need to coordinate with allied health before referring
- Simplified referrals: Simple referral letter replaces complex EPC forms
- **18-month validity:** Plans must be prepared or reviewed within 18 months for continued access. Unless otherwise specified, referrals are valid for 18 months from the time of first service provided
- **MyMedicare requirements:** Registered patients must access services through their enrolled general practice

Official MBS Resources

- Allied Health Changes Factsheet (PDF)
- GPCCMP Factsheet (PDF)
- MBS Online Homepage



2. Allied Health Medicare Item Numbers

Individual Allied Health Services (Chronic Conditions)

All services require minimum 20 minutes face-to-face and provide \$61.80 Medicare rebate

Profession	Item Number	Telehealth Video	Telehealth Phone
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health Worker/Practitioner	<u>10950</u>	93000	<u>93013</u>
Audiologist	<u>10952</u>	93000	93013
Chiropractor	10964	93000	93013
Diabetes Educator	<u>10951</u>	93000	93013
Dietitian	10954	93000	93013
Exercise Physiologist	10953	93000	93013
Mental Health Worker	<u>10956</u>	93000	93013
Occupational Therapist	<u>10958</u>	93000	93013
Osteopath	<u>10966</u>	93000	93013
Physiotherapist	<u>10960</u>	93000	93013
Podiatrist	10962	93000	93013
Psychologist	10968	93000	93013
Speech Pathologist	<u>10970</u>	93000	93013

Patient Eligibility: 5 services per calendar year (combined total across all professions)

View Full Item Descriptors

Access detailed requirements via hyperlinks above and at MBS Online Item Search



3. Referral Requirements

New Minimum Requirements (From 1 July 2025)

Essential Elements

All referrals must include:

- 1. Referring practitioner's name
- 2. Practice address or provider number
- 3. Date of referral
- 4. Written format (can be electronic)
- 5. **Practitioner's signature** (electronic acceptable)
- 6. Reasons for referral and relevant clinical information

What's NO LONGER Required

- X Named referral to specific practitioner
- X Number of services to be specified
- X EPC referral form
- X Allied health confirmation of participation/'collaboration'

Referral Validity

- Stated timeframe: Valid for period specified in referral
- No timeframe stated: Valid for 18 months from first service
- Mental health (Better Access): Valid until recommended sessions completed

Lost Referrals

Services can be provided with lost referrals - record "lost referral" in lieu of details. Electronic referrals encouraged to minimise loss.

Reporting Requirements

Allied health must provide written reports to referring GP:

- After first service under referral
- After final service under referral
- When clinically necessary



Official Guidance

- Referral Requirements Factsheet (PDF)
- Services Australia Allied Health Referrals



4. Better Access Mental Health Services

Service Limits

- 10 individual sessions per calendar year
- 10 group sessions per calendar year
- 2 family/carer sessions per calendar year

Clinical Psychologists

 Service Type
 Duration
 Item
 Video
 Rebate

 Individual
 30+ min
 80000/80005
 80002/80006
 \$99.75

 Individual
 50+ min
 80010/80015
 80012/80016
 \$145.25

 Group
 60+ min
 80020
 80021
 \$52.95

Registered Psychologists

 Service Type
 Duration
 Item
 Video
 Rebate

 Individual
 30+ min
 80100/80105
 80102/80106
 \$68.20

 Individual
 50+ min
 80110/80115
 80112/80116
 \$99.75

 Group
 60+ min
 80120
 80121
 \$37.75

Occupational Therapists (Mental Health)

 Service Type
 Duration
 Item
 Video
 Rebate

 Individual
 30+ min
 80125/80130
 80127/80131
 \$68.20

 Individual
 50+ min
 80135/80140
 80137/80141
 \$99.75

 Group
 60+ min
 80145
 80146
 \$37.75

Social Workers (Mental Health)

 Service Type
 Duration
 Item
 Video
 Rebate

 Individual
 30+ min
 80150/80155
 80152/80156
 \$68.20

 Individual
 50+ min
 80160/80165
 80162/80166
 \$99.75

 Group
 60+ min
 80170
 80171
 \$37.75



CPD Requirements

- 10 hours annually of Focussed Psychological Strategies CPD required
- Online modules available through professional associations

Key Changes from 1 November 2025

- Mental Health Treatment Plans must come from MyMedicare practice or usual GP
- 12 GP mental health items deleted (replaced with standard attendance items)
- Allied health items remain unchanged

Better Access Resources

- Better Access Initiative
- MBS Item 80010 Clinical Psychology
- MBS Item 80110 Psychology
- Services Australia Mental Health Plans



5. Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Services

Enhanced Access

- 10 individual services per calendar year (double the standard allocation)
- Item numbers (81300-81360) with \$61.80 rebate
- Can be accessed on completion and referral via health assessment (item 715) OR GPCCMP provided by GP

Item Numbers by Profession

Profession	Face-to-Face	Video	Phone
Aboriginal Health Worker/Practitioner	81300	93048	93061
Audiologist	81305	93048	93061
Chiropractor	81360	93048	93061
Diabetes Educator	81310	93048	93061
Dietitian	81315	93048	93061
Exercise Physiologist	81320	93048	93061
Mental Health Worker	81325	93048	93061
Occupational Therapist	81330	93048	93061
Osteopath	81355	93048	93061
Physiotherapist	81335	93048	93061
Podiatrist	81340	93048	93061
Psychologist	81345	93048	93061
Speech Pathologist	81350	93048	93061

Service Combination

Can combine up to 10 services total from:

- Up to 5 under GPCCMP (items 10950-10970)
- Up to 10 under Indigenous items (81300-81360)

Official Resources

- MBS Item 81310 Indigenous Allied Health
- Services Australia Indigenous Health Services
- Closing the Gap PBS Co-payment Programme



6. Group Services for Type 2 Diabetes

Eligible Professions

- Diabetes Educators (Credentialed by ADEA)
- Exercise Physiologists (Accredited by ESSA)
- Dietitians (Accredited Practising Dietitian DAA)

Service Structure

1. Assessment (Individual, 45 minutes)

o Items: 81100, 81110, 81120

Telehealth: 93284Rebate: \$61.80

2. Group Services (2-12 participants, 60 minutes)

o Items: 81105, 81115, 81125

o Telehealth: 93285 (MMM 4-7 only)

o Rebate: \$27.85

Maximum: 8 sessions per calendar year

Requirements

- Patient must have Type 2 Diabetes
- Requires GPCCMP (or pre-existing GPMP/TCA until July 2027)
- Assessment determines suitability
- Written report after program completion

Provider Registration

- Must be registered with Services Australia
- Same registration as individual services (10951, 10953, 10954)

Resources

- MBS Item 81100 Diabetes Group Assessment
- Services Australia Diabetes Group Services



7. Case Conferencing

Medicare Items and Rebates

Duration Item Medicare Rebate

15-19 minutes <u>10955</u> \$55.65 20-39 minutes <u>10957</u> \$92.80 40+ minutes <u>10959</u> \$129.95

Key Requirements

- Organised by referring GP/specialist
- Minimum 2 other health professionals participating
- Can participate via face-to-face, video, or phone
- Maximum once per 3 months per patient
- No referral needed for allied health to participate

Eligible Participants

- · Allied health professionals treating the patient
- Home/community service providers
- Care coordinators
- Multiple from same profession allowed if different specialisations

Documentation Requirements

- Attendance records
- Meeting minutes
- Care plan updates
- Communication to team members

Resources

- Case Conferencing Factsheet (PDF)
- MBS Item 10955
- MBS Explanatory Note MN.3.2



8. Transitional Arrangements

Key Dates

- 1 July 2025: New GPCCMP system commenced
- 30 June 2027: Final date for services under old GPMP/TCA

For Existing Patients

- Patients with GPMP/TCA before July 2025 can continue services until June 2027
- Referrals written before July 2025 remain valid until services completed
- No new GPCCMP needed until July 2027 if services align with existing plan

Transition Strategy

- 1. Continue seeing existing patients under old arrangements
- 2. Inform GPs about transition requirements
- 3. Update billing systems for new item numbers
- 4. Prepare for full transition by July 2027

Communication Tools

- Patient information sheets from Services Australia
- GP liaison about new referral requirements
- Practice management system updates



9. Billing and Compliance

Essential Requirements

- Provider Number: Current Medicare provider number required
- Professional Registration: Current registration with relevant board/association
- Service Duration: Minimum 20 minutes face-to-face
- Individual Treatment: No group services can be provided under individual chronic disease items
- Contemporaneous Records: Detailed clinical records required

Claiming Options

- Bulk Billing: Accept Medicare rebate as full payment (cannot charge a gap fee on top of bulk billed service)
- Private Billing: Patient pays full account and claims rebate from Medicare
- Private Health: Cannot combine with Medicare rebate

Compliance Monitoring

- Random and targeted audits by Services Australia
- Requirement to retain records for 2 years
- Possible request for evidence of services provided

Key Compliance Resources

- Medicare Compliance
- Services Australia Health Professionals
- Professional Services Review



10. Quick Reference Tables

Service Limits Summary

Service Type Standard Patients Indigenous Patients

Chronic Disease (Individual) 5 per year 10 per year

Mental Health (Individual) 10 per year 10 per year

Mental Health (Group) 10 per year 10 per year

Diabetes Group 8 per year 8 per year

Family/Carer Mental Health 2 per year 2 per year

Medicare Rebates at a Glance

Service Category Medicare Rebate

Allied Health Chronic Disease \$61.80
Clinical Psych (50 min) \$145.25
Other Mental Health (50 min) \$99.75
Diabetes Group Service \$27.85
Case Conference (15-19 min) \$55.65
Case Conference (20-39 min) \$92.80
Case Conference (40+ min) \$129.95

GP GPCCMP Items and Fees

 Service
 GP Item GP Fee
 PMP Item PMP Fee

 Prepare (F2F)
 965
 \$156.55
 392
 \$125.30

 Prepare (Video)
 92029
 \$156.55
 92060
 \$125.30

 Review (F2F)
 967
 \$156.55
 393
 \$125.30

 Review (Video)
 92030
 \$156.55
 92061
 \$125.30



11. Key Resources and Links

MBS Online Resources

Main Portal: MBS Online
 Item Search: MBS Item Search
 News & Updates: MBS News
 Item 965 - GPCCMP: View Item 965

Services Australia (Medicare)

Health Professionals Portal: <u>HPOS</u>
 Provider Enquiry Line: 132 150

• Education Resources: Education for Health Professionals

• GPCCMP Information: GP Chronic Condition Management Plans

Professional Development

MBS eLearning: <u>Services Australia eLearning</u>

• Chronic Disease Module: MBSM12 GP Chronic Condition Management Plans

• Better Access CPD: Available through respective professional associations

Forms and Documents

• Referral Templates: Available through practice management software

Services Australia Forms: <u>Health Professional Forms</u>

• Patient Resources: <u>Health Direct</u>

MBS Downloads: MBS Online Downloads

Professional Associations

Allied Health Professions Australia: <u>AHPA</u>

Your specific professional body for updates and CPD

Contact for Queries

MBS Interpretation: askMBS@health.gov.au

Provider Services: 132 150

Compliance Queries: <u>Medicare Compliance</u>



Important Notes

Stay Updated

- Subscribe to MBS updates at MBS Online News
- Check for changes before July 2027 transition deadline
- · Review professional association communications regularly

Documentation Best Practice

- · Keep detailed clinical records
- Document consent for information sharing
- Maintain referral and report copies
- Use secure electronic communication where possible

Quality Care Focus

- Ensure services meet patient needs
- Coordinate with care team
- Provide timely reports to GPs
- Consider case conferencing for complex patients

This guide is current as of November 2025. Always verify current requirements at MBS Online. This is general guidance only - practitioners must ensure services meet all legislative requirements.

Disclaimer

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