



INVESTIGATOR CLINIC BILLING IS CHANGING FOR CONCESSION CARD HOLDERS

From 1st of August 2021 Investigator Clinic will privately bill Concession Card Holders.

Medicare rebates have been frozen for more than 8 years despite the professions' repeated requests for the Government to recognise that adequate General Practice funding is essential to deliver good quality care for patients in rural communities.

The government has not kept your rebate for medical services in line with inflation and the rebate no longer fully covers the constantly rising costs of health care.

We recognise the impact this change will have on some patients and this is why we are determined to keep the gap at reduced rates for Concession Card holders and Pensioners (shown below)

CONSULT	CHARGE	MBS REBATE	OUT OF POCKET EXPENSE
Short (3)	\$40.90	\$17.90	\$23.00
Standard (23)	\$67.10	\$39.10	\$28.00
Extended (36)	\$113.75	\$75.75	\$38.00
Long (44)	\$159.50	\$111.50	\$48.00

We also recognise importance of good quality care that is accessible, as well as maintaining good quality chronic disease management and will continue to Bulk Bill certain services like care plan appointments and appointments for children.

SERVICES THAT WILL REMAIN BULK BILLED FOR CONCESSION CARD HOLDERS

- Chronic disease Care plan appointments – also 4 consults that are not care plan related per calendar year for patients on Care Plans.
- All clinical services to children under 16
- DVA Card holders
- Colposcopies
- Skin cancer surgery and management
- Flu Vaccination only appointments
- Current maternity patients
- Antenatal Services

Thank you for your understanding and ongoing support and please respect our reception staff during this transition.