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# Health Insurance (1998-99 General Medical Services Table) Amendment Regulations 1999 (No. 1)

Statutory Rules 1999 No. 1

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I, WILLIAM PATRICK DEANE, Governor-General of the  
Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the  
Federal Executive Council, make the following regulations under  
the *Health Insurance Act 1973*.

Dated 1 1999.

23 February

1 WILLIAM DEANE  
Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command,

MICHAEL WOOLDRIDGE  
Minister for Health and Aged Care



# Health Insurance (1998-99 General Medical Services Table) Amendment Regulations 1999 (No. 2)<sup>1</sup>

Statutory Rules 1999 No. 2<sup>2</sup>

made under the

*Health Insurance Act 1973*

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**1 Name of regulations**

These regulations are the *Health Insurance (1998-99 General Medical Services Table) Amendment Regulations 1999 (No. 4)*.

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**2 Commencement**

These regulations commence on 1 March 1999.

**3 Amendment of Health Insurance (1998-99 General Medical Services Table) Regulations 1998**

Schedule 1 amends the *Health Insurance (1998-99 General Medical Services Table) Regulations 1998*.

## Schedule 1      Amendments

(regulation 3)

### [1]      Schedule 1, Part 1, rule 7

<i>provision</i>	<i>omit</i>	<i>insert</i>
subparagraph 7 (1) (b) (i)	\$17.75	\$17.90
subparagraph 7 (2) (b) (i)	\$17.75	\$17.90
subparagraph 7 (3) (b) (i)	\$17.75	\$17.90
subparagraph 7 (4) (b) (i)	\$17.75	\$17.90
subparagraph 7 (9) (b) (i)	\$17.75	\$17.90

### [2]      Schedule 1, Part 1, rule 15

*substitute*

#### 15      Meaning of *Amount under rule 15* in certain items

- (1) In item 15003, *Amount under rule 15* means an amount equal to the sum of:
  - (a) the fee set out in item 15000; and
  - (b) \$12.95 for each field separately treated in excess of 1.
- (2) In item 15103, *Amount under rule 15* means an amount equal to the sum of:
  - (a) the fee set out in item 15100; and
  - (b) \$14.30 for each field separately treated in excess of 1.
- (3) In item 15109, *Amount under rule 15* means an amount equal to the sum of:
  - (a) the fee set out in item 15106; and
  - (b) \$17.20 for each field separately treated in excess of 1.

- (4) In item 15204, *Amount under rule 15* means an amount equal to the sum of:
  - (a) the fee set out in item 15203; and
  - (b) \$28.75 for each field separately treated in excess of 1.
- (5) In item 15208, *Amount under rule 15* means an amount equal to the sum of:
  - (a) the fee set out in item 15207; and
  - (b) \$28.75 for each field separately treated in excess of 1.
- (6) In item 15214, *Amount under rule 15* means an amount equal to the sum of:
  - (a) the fee set out in item 15211; and
  - (b) \$24.15 for each field separately treated in excess of 1.

**[3] Schedule 1, Part 1, rule 16**

*substitute*

**16 Meaning of *Amount under rule 16* in certain items**

- (1) In item 15009, *Amount under rule 16* means an amount equal to the sum of:
  - (a) the fee set out in item 15006; and
  - (b) \$14.10 for each field separately treated in excess of 1.
- (2) In item 15115, *Amount under rule 16* means an amount equal to the sum of:
  - (a) the fee set out in item 15112; and
  - (b) \$35.80 for each field separately treated in excess of 1.

**[4] Schedule 1, Part 2, items 13915, 13918, 13921, 13924, 13927, 13930, 13933, 13936, 13939, 13942, 13945, 17724, 33545, 33548, 38270, 41881, 41884, 45021, 45024, 45502, 45563**

*substitute each of the following items in its correct numerical position*

13915	Cytotoxic chemotherapy, administration of, either by intravenous push technique (directly into a vein, or a butterfly needle, or the side-arm of an infusion) or by intravenous infusion of not more than 1 hour's duration — payable once only for 1 or more treatments on the same day	\$49.30
13918	Cytotoxic chemotherapy, administration of, by intravenous infusion of more than 1 hour's duration but not more than 6 hours duration — payable once only for 1 or more treatments on the same day	\$74.20
13921	Cytotoxic chemotherapy, administration of, by intravenous infusion of more than 6 hours duration — for the first day of treatment	\$83.95
13924	Cytotoxic chemotherapy, administration of, by intravenous infusion of more than 6 hours duration — on each day subsequent to the first in the same continuous treatment episode	\$49.50

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13927	Cytotoxic chemotherapy, administration of, either by intra-arterial push technique (directly into an artery, a butterfly needle or the side-arm of an infusion) or by intra-arterial infusion of not more than 1 hour's duration — payable once only for 1 or more treatments on the same day	\$64.00
13930	Cytotoxic chemotherapy, administration of, by intra-arterial infusion of more than 1 hour's duration but not more than 6 hours duration — payable once only for 1 or more treatments on the same day	\$89.25
13933	Cytotoxic chemotherapy, administration of, by intra-arterial infusion of more than 6 hours duration — for the first day of treatment	\$99.00
13936	Cytotoxic chemotherapy, administration of, by intra-arterial infusion of more than 6 hours duration — on each day subsequent to the first in the same continuous treatment episode	\$64.50
13939	Implanted pump or reservoir, loading of, with a cytotoxic chemotherapeutic agent or agents, not being a service associated with a service to which item 13915, 13918, 13921, 13924, 13927, 13930, 13933 or 13936 applies	\$74.20

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13942	Ambulatory drug delivery device, loading of, with a cytotoxic agent or agents for the infusion of the agent or agents via the intravenous, intra-arterial or spinal routes, not being a service associated with a service to which item 13915, 13918, 13921, 13924, 13927, 13930, 13933 or 13936 applies	\$49.50
13945	Long-term implanted drug delivery device for cytotoxic chemotherapy, accessing of	\$39.80
17724	Administration of an anaesthetic in connection with a medical service, being a medical service which has a combined anaesthetic unit value of 24	\$345.60
33545	Artery, vein or bypass graft, patch grafting to, by vein or synthetic material, where patch is less than 3cm long (Anaes. 17714 = 8B + 6T) (Assist.)	\$207.45
33548	Artery, vein or bypass graft, patch grafting to, by vein or synthetic material, where patch is 3cm long or greater (Anaes. 17715 = 8B + 7T) (Assist.)	\$421.85
38270	Balloon valvuloplasty or septostomy, including cardiac catheterisations before and after balloon dilatation (Anaes. 17728 = 20B + 8T) (Assist.)	\$691.50
41881	Tracheostomy by open exposure of the trachea, including, where performed, separation of the strap muscles or division of the thyroid isthmus (Anaes. 17710 = 6B + 4T) (Assist.)	\$304.50

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41884	Cricothyrostomy by direct stab or Seldinger technique, using Minitrach or similar device (Anaes. 17708 = 6B + 2T)	\$68.95
45021	Abrasive therapy for severely disfiguring scarring resulting from trauma, burns or cystic acne — limited to 1 aesthetic area (Anaes. 17705 = 3B + 2T)	\$134.50
45024	Abrasive therapy for severely disfiguring scarring resulting from trauma, burns or cystic acne — more than 1 aesthetic area (Anaes. 17706 = 3B + 3T)	\$302.00
45502	Microvascular anastomosis of vein using microsurgical techniques, for re-implantation of limb or digit (Anaes. 17743 = 10B + 33T) (Assist.)	\$1,345.15
45563	Neurovascular island flap, including, where performed, direct repair of secondary cutaneous defect, excluding flap for male pattern baldness (Anaes. 17714 = 4B + 10T) (Assist.)	\$833.25

**[5] Schedule 1, Part 2, new items 11240, 14215, 14218, 14221, 14224, 31441, 41880, 45501, 45504, 45505, 45562**

*insert each of the following items in its correct numerical position*

11240	Orbital contents, ultrasonic echography of, unidimensional, not being a service associated with a service to which items in Group I1 apply	\$61.70
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14215	Long-term implanted reservoir associated with the adjustable gastric band, accessing of, to add or remove fluid	\$74.20
14218	Implanted pump or reservoir, loading of, with a therapeutic agent or agents, for infusion to the subarachnoid or epidural space	\$74.20
14221	Long-term implanted device for delivery of therapeutic agents, accessing of, not being a service associated with a service to which item 13945 applies	\$39.80
14224	Electroconvulsive therapy, with or without the use of stimulus dosing techniques, including any electroencephalographic monitoring and associated consultation (Anaes. 17705 = 4B + 1T)	\$53.25
31441	Long-term implanted reservoir associated with the adjustable gastric band, repair, revision or replacement of (Anaes. 17710 = 6B + 4T)	\$190.75
41880	Tracheostomy by a percutaneous technique using sequential dilatation or partial splitting method to allow insertion of a cuffed tracheostomy tube (Anaes. 17708 = 6B + 2T)	\$192.60
45501	Microvascular anastomosis of artery using microsurgical techniques, for re-implantation of limb or digit (Anaes. 17743 = 10B + 33T) (Assist.)	\$1,345.15
45504	Microvascular anastomosis of artery using microsurgical techniques, for free transfer of tissue including setting in of free flap (Anaes. 17743 = 10B + 33T) (Assist.)	\$1,345.15

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45505	Microvascular anastomosis of vein using microsurgical techniques, for free transfer of tissue including setting in of free flap (Anaes. 17743 = 10B + 33T) (Assist.)	\$1,345.15
45562	Free transfer of tissue involving raising of tissue on vascular or neurovascular pedicle, including, where performed, direct repair of secondary cutaneous defect, excluding flap for male pattern baldness (Anaes. 17714 = 4B + 10T) (Assist.)	\$833.25

**[6] Schedule 1, Part 2, items 340, 41883***omit***[7] Schedule 1, Part 2, additional amendments**

<i>item</i>	<i>omit</i>	<i>insert</i>
1	\$55.25	\$55.65
2	\$55.25	\$55.65
3	\$11.90	\$12.00
23	\$25.05	\$25.25
36	\$45.30	\$45.65
44	\$66.75	\$67.25
193	\$25.05	\$25.25
601	\$66.05	\$66.55
602	\$66.05	\$66.55
16500	\$25.05	\$25.25
16502	\$25.05	\$25.25
16504	\$25.05	\$25.25

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<i>item</i>	<i>omit</i>	<i>insert</i>
16505	\$25.05	\$25.25
16508	\$25.05	\$25.25
16509	\$25.05	\$25.25
30003	\$25.05	\$25.25
41704	\$25.05	\$25.25

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**Notes**

1. These regulations amend Statutory Rules 1998 No. 301, as amended by 1998 No. 334.
2. Made by the Governor-General on the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on  1999, and notified in  1999.

*23 February*  
*26 February*