AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGED CARE

HEALTH INSURANCE ACT 1973

Health Insurance (Medicare Benefits Payable in Respect of Professional Services – Services Rendered under the Commonwealth Urgent Care Clinic Program) Direction (No.2) 2023

I, Nigel Murray, Assistant Secretary, MBS Policy and Specialist Programs Branch, Medicare Benefits and Digital Health Division, Health Resourcing Group, delegate for the Minister for Health and Aged Care, acting under subsection 19(2) of the *Health Insurance Act 1973*, hereby:

- REVOKE the Direction made under subsection 19(2) of the Act that was signed on 15 June 2023, in respect of professional services Rendered under the Commonwealth Urgent Care Clinic Program; and
- (2) DIRECT that Medicare Benefits shall be payable in respect of:
 - (a) A professional service (as defined in Section 3 of the *Health Insurance Act 1973*) which has been agreed to be provided under the Commonwealth Medicare Urgent Care Clinic Program between the Department of Health and Aged Care (ABN: 83 605 426 759) and the practices listed in Schedule B of this direction in relation to medical services available to patients who attend a Commonwealth Urgent Care Clinic Location for which;
 - (i) items specified in Schedule A of this Direction; and of the general medical services table (means the table prescribed under subsection 4(1) of the *Health Insurance Act 1973*) relates: and
 - (b) Where the professional service is provided to:
 - (i) an eligible person (as defined in Section 3 of the *Health Insurance Act 1973*);
 - (ii) a patient who is not receiving the service as part of an episode of hospital treatment (as defined in Section 121-5 of the *Private Health Insurance Act 2007*);
 - (iii) a patient who also is not receiving a service:
 - i. which attracts a payment through the 2020-2025 Addendum to the National Health Reform Agreement for a service rendered to a public patient; or
 - ii. which attracts a payment through another government arrangement outside of the Commonwealth Medicare Urgent Care Clinic program for a service rendered to the patient; and
 - (c) the professional services referred to in clause (a) must be provided:
 - (i) at a general practice (as defined in Section 7.1.1 of the general medical services table); and

(ii) by a general practitioner or participating nurse practitioner mentioned in (a) who is registered to provide services, in Schedule A, with Services Australia under the Commonwealth Urgent Care Clinic program.

DECLARE that this Direction shall have effect from 19 July 2023 until 30 June 2026 inclusive unless earlier revoked.

Date this 17 day of July 2023

Nigel Murray Assistant Secretary MBS Policy and Specialist Programs Branch Medicare Benefits and Digital Health Division Health Resourcing Group Department of Health and Aged Care

SCHEDULE A

MEDICARE BENEFITS SCHEDULE ITEMS AS AGREED UNDER THE URGENT CARE CLINIC PROGRAM

For services listed in the below tables, all provisions of the *Health Insurance Act 1973* (the Act) and regulations made under the Act, and the *National Health Act 1953* and regulations made under the *National Health Act 1953*, relating to medical services, professional services or items apply.

Group	Group Name	Subgroup	Subgroup Name	Item Number
A1	GP attendances to	1	Level A	3
	which no other item	2	Level B	23
	applies	3	Level C	36
		4	Level D	44
A5	Prolonged Attendance to Which no Other Item Applies	1	Prolonged Professional Attendance	
A20	GP Mental health Care	1	GP Mental Health Treatment Plans	2713
A22	General Practitioner	1	Level A	5000
	After-Hours	2	Level B	5020
	Attendances To Which	3	Level C	5040
	No Other Item Applies	4	Level D	5060
T4	Obstetrics	•		16500
T7	Regional or Field Nerve Blocks			18213
Τ8	Surgical Operations	1	General	30003, 30006, 30026, 30029, 30032, 30035, 30038, 30042, 30045, 30049, 30061, 30064, 30099, 30216, 30219
		2	Colorectal	32147
		5	Urological	36800
		8	Ear, Nose and Throat	41500, 41677
		9	Ophthalmology	42644, 42650
		14	Hand Surgery	46513, 46528, 46531
		15	Orthopaedic	47904, 47915, 47916, 47015, 47030, 47042, 47057, 47063, 47069, 47301, 47348, 47354, 47361, 47387, 47423, 47444, 47453, 47462, 47466, 47471, 47543,

General Medical Services Table

Group	Group Name	Subgroup	Subgroup Name	Item Number
				47561, 47579, 47595,
				47637, 47663, 47735
M1	Management of Bulk			10990, 10991, 10992,
	Billed Services			75855, 75856, 75857,
				75858
M14	Nurse Practitioners	1	Nurse Practitioners	82200, 82205, 82210,
				82215

SCHEDULE B

APPROVED COMMONWEALTH URGENT CARE CLINIC LOCATIONS AS AGREED UNDER THE COMMONWEALTH URGENT CARE CLINIC PROGRAM

Approved primary care locations:

State	Location/ Town	Practice Name	Legal Name	Street Address	
WA	Perth City	Rudloc Road Medical and Dental Centre	Idameneo (No. 123) Pty Ltd as the Trustee for Artlu Unit Trust	40 Rudloc Rd, Morley WA 6062	
WA	Rockingham	Rockingham Medical and Dental Centre	Idameneo (No. 123) Pty Ltd as the Trustee for Artlu Unit Trust	18 Civic Blvd, Rockingham WA 6168	
WA	Joondalup	Ocean Keys Family Practice	The Trustee for OKM Trust.	Unit 6/5 Ebb Way, Clarkson WA 6030	

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

NEW SOUTH WALES

State	Location/ Town	Practice Name	Legal Name	Street Address
NSW	Albury	Border General Practice	Border General Practice OTY LTD	425 David Street, Albury NSW, 2640
NSW	Wollongong	Corrimal Medical and Dental Centre	Idameneo (No. 123) Pty Ltd as the trustee of the Artlu Unit Trust	46-50 Underwood Street, Corrimal NSW 2518
NSW	Maroubra	Maroubra Medical and Dental Centre	Idameneo (No. 123) Pty Ltd as the trustee of the Artlu Unit Trust	806-812 Anzac Parade, Maroubra NSW 2035
NSW	Westmead	Wentworthville Medical and Dental Centre	Idameneo (No. 123) Pty Ltd as the trustee of the Artlu Unit Trust	122-28 Station Street, Wentworthville NSW 2145
NSW	Blacktown	Rooty Hill Medical Centre	The Trustee for Meditech Trust	31 Rooty Hill Road, Rooty Hill NSW 2766