**AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGED CARE**

***HEALTH INSURANCE ACT 1973***

**Health Insurance (Medicare Benefits Payable in Respect of Professional Services –Commonwealth Urgent Care Clinic Locations – New South Wales) Direction 2024**

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* (the Act)*,* hereby:

1. REVOKE the *Health Insurance (Medicare Benefits Payable in Respect of Professional Services –Commonwealth Urgent Care Clinic Locations – New South Wales) Direction 2023* made under subsection 19(2) of the Act that was signed on 30 October 2023; and
2. DIRECT that Medicare Benefits shall be payable in respect of:
3. A professional service (as defined in section 3 of the Act) which has been agreed to be provided:
4. between the Commonwealth (represented by the Department of Health and Aged Care, ABN: 83 605 426 759) and the State of New South Wales (represented by the New South Wales Department of Health, ABN: 92 697 899 630) by the Campbelltown Medicare Urgent Care Clinic that has been assessed as meeting the requirements of the Commonwealth Urgent Care Clinic program; and
5. as part of the Commonwealth Urgent Care Clinic Program for which 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 Act) and pathology service table (means the table prescribed under section 4A of the Act) relates; and
6. Where the professional service is provided to:
7. an eligible person (as defined in section 3 of the Act);
8. 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)*;
9. a patient who also is not receiving a service:
   * 1. which attracts a payment through the 2020-2025 Addendum to the National Health Reform Agreement for a service rendered to a public patient; or
     2. which attracts a payment through another government arrangement outside of the Commonwealth Urgent Care Clinic program for a service rendered to the patient; and
10. The professional services referred to in paragraph (2)(a) must be provided:
11. at a practice location specified in Schedule B of this Direction; and
12. by a general practitioner, prescribed medical practitioner or participating nurse practitioner who is registered to provide services in Schedule A with Services Australia under the Commonwealth Urgent Care Clinic program mentioned in paragraph (2)(a).

DECLARE that this Direction commences on 29 June 2024 and ceases to have effect at the end of 30 June 2026 unless earlier revoked.

Date this 17 day of June 2024

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 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.

***General Medical Services Table***

| **Group** | **Group Name** | **Subgroup** | **Subgroup Name** | **Item Number** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| A1 | General practitioner attendances to which no other item applies | | | 3, 23, 36, 44, 123 |
| A2 | Other non-referred attendances to which no other item applies | 1 | Other medical practitioner attendances | 52, 53, 54, 57 |
| A5 | Prolonged attendances to which no other item applies | | | |
| A7 | Acupuncture and non-specialist practitioner items | 9 | Prescribed medical practitioner mental health care | 279 |
| A20 | Mental health care | 1 | GP mental health treatment plans | 2713 |
| A22 | General practitioner after-hours attendances to which no other item applies | | | 5000, 5020, 5040, 5060, 5071 |
| A23 | Other non-referred after-hours attendances to which no other item applies | | | 5200, 5203, 5207, 5208 |
| A23 | Other non‑referred after‑hours attendances to which no other item applies | | | 5200, 5203, 5207, 5208 |
| D1 | Miscellaneous diagnostic procedures and investigations | 6 | Cardiovascular | 11707 |
| T4 | Obstetrics | | | 16500 |
| T7 | Regional or field nerve blocks | | | 18213 |
| T8 | 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, 41659, 41677 |
| 9 | Ophthalmology | 42644, 42650 |
| 14 | Hand or wrist 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, 47561, 47579, 47595, 47637, 47663, 47735 |
| M1 | Management of bulk-billed services | 1 | Management of general bulk-billed services | 10990, 10991, 10992, 75855, 75856, 75857, 75858 |
| 2 | General support service | 75870, 75871, 75872, 75873, 75874, 75875, 75876 |
| M14 | Nurse practitioners | 1 | Nurse practitioners | 82200, 82205, 82210, 82215 |

*\*Note: Claims under any item in Group A2, A7 and A23 in the General Medical Services Table may only be exempt from subsection 19(2) of the Act when the services are claimed by a Prescribed Medical Practitioner operating under the Medicare Urgent Care Clinic Program.*

***Pathology Services Table***

| **Group** | **Group Name** | **Item Number** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| P9 | simple basic pathology tests | 73806 |

**SCHEDULE B**

**APPROVED COMMONWEALTH URGENT CARE CLINIC LOCATIONS AS AGREED UNDER THE COMMONWEALTH URGENT CARE CLINIC PROGRAM BETWEEN THE COMMONWEALTH AND THE NEW SOUTH WALES GOVERNMENT**

Approved primary care locations:

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **State** | **MMM 1 Location** | **Practice Name** | **Legal Name** | **Street Address** |
| NSW | Campbelltown | Campbelltown Medical and Dental Centre | Idameneo (No. 123) Pty Ltd as the Trustee for Artlu Unit Trust | 296 Queen Street, Campbelltown NSW 2560 |