

New MBS Item Numbers - Commencing 1 July 2008

Item Number	MBS Item Title and Description	Medicare rebate
713	<p><i>Type 2 Diabetes Risk Evaluation</i> The purpose of this item is to support general practitioners (GPs) to address the health needs of patients 40-49 years of age who are at 'high risk' of developing Type 2 Diabetes. The 'high risk' score will be determined following the patient's completion of the Australian Type 2 Diabetes Risk Assessment Tool. The aim of this item is to review the factors underlying the 'high risk', such as lifestyle (smoking, physical activity, nutrition), Biomedical (blood pressure, impaired glucose metabolism), family history & any relevant diagnostic test results.</p> <p>Evaluation undertaken by patient's 'usual' GP, and/or assisted by a supervised practice nurse.</p> <p>The Medicare rebate is payable once every 3 years for eligible patients.</p>	<p>Fee: \$60 Benefit: 100% (\$60)</p>
709 & 711	<p><i>Healthy Kids Check</i> The purpose of the Healthy Kids Check is to ensure that every four year old child in Australia has a basic health check to see if they are healthy, fit & ready to learn when they start school. This check will promote early detection of lifestyle risk factors, delayed development & illness, & introduce guidance for healthy lifestyles & early intervention strategies.</p> <p>Health checks may be performed by the patient's 'usual' doctor, or by a practice nurse on behalf of the GP.</p> <p>Item 10990 or 10991 (bulk billing incentives) can be claimed in conjunction with 709 & 711.</p> <p>The Medicare rebate is only payable once for eligible patients.</p>	<p><u>709</u> Fee: \$45 Benefit: 100% (\$45)</p> <p>Or</p> <p><u>711</u> Fee: \$45 Benefit: 100% (\$45)</p>
135 & 289	<p><i>Autism or any other Pervasive Developmental Disorder</i> Items 135 or 289 are available on referral from a medical practitioner for consultant paediatricians or psychiatrists to provide early diagnosis & treatment of autism or any other Pervasive Development Disorder (PDD) for children aged less than 13 years. Both items include assessment, diagnosis, & the creation of a treatment & management plan.</p> <p>The treating practitioner can access assistance from allied health professionals (Psychologists, OTs & Speech Pathologist) to collaborate in either the diagnosis or the treatment.</p> <p>Item 135 or 289 are claimable only once per patient per lifetime, and are not to be used in conjunction with each other.</p>	<p><u>135</u> Fee: \$238.30 Benefit: 75% = \$178.75 85% = \$202.60</p> <p><u>289</u> Fee: \$238.30 Benefit: 75% = \$178.75 85% = 202.60</p>
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