

MBS Remuneration to Support a Planned General Practice Palliative Care Pathway (Home)

The aim of this webpage is to support multidisciplinary practice by describing a palliative care pathway which clearly shows remuneration for palliative care services.

Suggested Timeframe	Medicare Initiative	Activities	MBS Item	MBS Benefit 100% (as of 21/12/22)
0 months	Over 75 Year Health Assessment	Select relevant item based on complexity and Practice Nurse and GP time. Introduce a discussion about Advance Care Planning or palliative care.	701	\$62.75
			703	\$145.80
			<u>705</u>	\$201.15
			<u>707</u>	\$284.20
2nd week	GP Management Plan (GPMP)	For patients with chronic disease, include discussion about Advance Care Planning or palliative care approach.	<u>721</u>	\$152.50
	Team Care Arrangement (TCA)	Requires at least 3 providers, including GP, to collaborate on care. Entitles the patient to Medicare allied health services (5 per calendar year).	<u>723</u>	\$120.85
3rd week	GP Mental Health Treatment Plan	Select relevant item depending on time and GP training. As per - diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM - 5) criteria.	2700	\$75.80
			2701	\$111.60
			2712	\$75.80
			2713	\$75.80
			2715	\$96.25
			2717	\$141.80
1st month	Case Conference	Opportunity for holistic informed approach to ongoing care for providers, carers and family. Organised by the GP, 20-40 minutes long; requires GP and at least 2 other providers (e.g. Palliative Care Specialist) in 'real' time.	739	\$127.85

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2nd month	Domiciliary Medication Management Review ('HMR')	Referral to eligible pharmacist; ensures optimal management of patient with 5 of more medications and/or complexity.	900	\$163.70
4th month	Level D consultation	To complete Advance Care Plan, following earlier discussions.	44	\$113.30
5th month	Review GP Mental Health Plan	4 weeks - 6 months after preparation of plan, review referral feedback and progress against goals.	2712	\$75.80
6th month	GPMP Review	Discuss progress against goals and actions.	732	\$76.15
	TCA Review	Discuss progress with team members. Can claim item 732 twice in the same day if services are separate and times noted.	739	\$127.85
8th month	Case Conference	Organised by GP; 15-20 minutes long; GP + 2 other providers in 'real' time.	735	\$74.75
5 per year	Practice Nurse care plan monitoring	Where a GP Management Plan is in place.	10997	\$12.70

Source: Based on information from: PHN North Western Melbourne, MBS Remuneration to Support Planned End-of-Life and Palliative Care for Patients, A guide for Health Professionals working in General Practice and Residential Aged Care. Sept. 2019.