

## Lagoon Medical Centre – Fee Schedule from the 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023

We are a mixed-billing practice. Full payment will be required on the day of your appointment and our staff will process your Medicare rebate for you.

We continue to bulk bill the following criteria;

- Children and minors under 16 years
- Pension and Concession Card Holders
- Department of Veterans Affairs Card Holders
- Chronic Disease Care Plans
- Health Assessments
- Mental Health Care Plans

Any procedures (including excisions, biopsies, iron infusions, lacerations, Implanon insertion and removals, IUD insertion and removals, ear syringing and micro-suction etc), skin cancer assessments, drivers licence medicals, pre-employment medicals, overseas immunisation or immigration paperwork – will incur an out-of-pocket cost.

Our practice operates on an **appointment-based system**. We will only accept walk in patients for urgent care. The wait time may vary due to the nature of the urgency and doctor availability and schedule. All walk in's regardless of the above criteria, will incur an out-of-pocket fee.

For further information, please see the last page of this document, visit our website [www.lagoonmedicalcentre.com.au](http://www.lagoonmedicalcentre.com.au), or give our friendly staff a call on (08) 6117 0480.

Standard Consultation Fees				
Appointment Type	Item No	Our Fee	Medicare Rebate	Out of pocket gap
Brief, Level A	3	\$65.00	\$18.20	\$46.80
Standard, Level B	23	\$75.00	\$39.75	\$35.25
Long, Level C	36	\$120.00	\$76.95	\$43.05

After Hours Consultation Fees (After hours is between 8pm – 8am, Saturday after 1pm, all day Sunday and Public Holidays)				
Appointment Type	Item No	Our Fee	Medicare Rebate	Out of pocket gap
Brief, Level A	5000	\$85.00	\$30.65	\$54.35
Standard, Level B	5020	\$95.00	\$51.80	\$43.20
Long, Level C	5040	\$140.00	\$88.80	\$51.20

Telephone Consultation Fees				
Appointment type	Item No	Our Fee	Medicare Rebate	Out of pocket gap
Telehealth Consultation (In Hours)	91890	\$65.00	\$18.20	\$46.80
Telehealth Consultation – After Hours (Weekends/Public Holidays)	91890	\$75.00	\$39.75	\$35.25

*\*Please note that **new patients** or **patients who have not been seen by a GP at our practice face-to-face in the last 12 months**, will not be eligible for Medicare rebates. Full payment is required on the day.*

DNA - Failure to attend / late cancellation with less than 2-hours' notice fees		
Appointment type	Time of missed appointment	Our Fee
Single appointment	In Hours	\$40.00

Double appointment	In Hours	\$80.00
Single appointment	After Hours	\$50.00
Double appointment	After Hours	\$90.00

#### Additional tests (Patients who are not eligible for Medicare)

Description	Item No	Our Fee	Medicare Rebate	Out of pocket gap
Electrocardiogram (ECG)	11707	\$30.00	\$19.45	NA
Spirometry ( <i>Confirm diagnosis, billed annually</i> )	11505	\$50.00	\$43.50	NA
Spirometry (Lung test)	11506	\$30.00	\$21.75	NA
Ear micro suction	41647	\$130.00	\$116.15	NA
Ankle Brachial-Index (ABI)	11610	\$75.00	\$67.35	NA
Pregnancy Test	73806	NA	\$10.15	NA

#### Vaccination Fees

Vaccine	Item No	Our Fee	Medicare Rebate	Out of pocket gap
Influenza Vaccine	100	\$20.00	NA	
Private Vaccines	Travel Vaccine	<i>Refer to travel vaccine price list</i>	NA	

#### Medical Paperwork Fees

Appointment type	Item No	Our Fee	Medicare Rebate	Out of pocket gap
Driver's Medical (DOT - Fitness to drive)	D300	\$130.00	NA	
Driver's Medical (Health Assessment – Assessing fitness to drive)	D301	\$180.00	NA	
Pre-Employment (Fitness to work capacity assessment)	301	\$140.00	NA	
Pre-Employment Fitness to work (Comprehensive – Physical Examination)	302	\$250 - \$500 <i>(Depends on paperwork)</i>	NA	
Transfer of Medical Records	304	\$20.00	NA	
Medical Report	305	Varies – check with GP	NA	
Immunisation Exemption Forms (IM011)	305	\$40.00	NA	

#### Skin Clinic Fees

Appointment type	Our Fee	Item No	Medicare Rebate	Out of pocket gap
Skin Cancer Assessment	\$125.00	36	\$76.95	\$48.05
Biopsy	\$100.00 - \$150.00	23	\$39.75	\$60.25 - \$110.25
Excision	\$150 - \$350.00 <i>Doctor will advise at the time of the consultation if a higher fee</i>	23	\$39.75	Gap varies due to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complexity</li> <li>• Length</li> <li>• Region</li> </ul>
Suturing/Lacerations	\$100.00	23	\$39.75	\$60.25

<b>Minor Procedure Fees</b>					
<b>Appointment type</b>	<b>Our Fee</b>	<b>Item No</b>	<b>Medicare Rebate</b>	<b>Out of pocket gap</b>	<b>Non - Medicare card holders</b>
Implanon insertion	\$70.00	23	\$39.75	\$30.25	Item 23, \$75.00 Item 14206, \$70 = \$145.00
Implanon removal	\$80.00	23	\$39.75	\$40.25	Item 23, \$75 Item 30062 \$80 = \$155.00
Implanon insertion and removal	\$100.00	23	\$39.75	\$60.25	Item 23, \$75 Item 14206, \$70 Item 30062, \$80 = \$225.00
IUD / Mirena insertion	\$180.00	35503	\$84.75	\$95.25	Item 36, \$90 Item 35503 \$180 = \$270
IUD / Mirena removal	\$70.00	23	\$39.75	\$30.25	Item 36, \$95.00
Iron Infusion	\$170.00	36	\$76.95	\$93.05	Item 36, \$170.00
Toenail wedge resection	\$150.00	23	\$39.75	\$110.25	Item 36, \$95.00 Item 47915, \$150 = \$245.00
Ear Syringing/Micro-suction	\$70.00	23	\$39.75	\$30.25	Confirm with GP

<b>CBD Medicinal Cannabis Clinic - Dr George &amp; Dr Sarah – Authorised Prescribers</b>					
<b>Appointment type</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Item No</b>	<b>Fee</b>	<b>Medicare Rebate</b>	<b>Out of pocket gap</b>
Initial Consultation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registration/consent form completed</li> <li>• Personalised health management plan</li> <li>• TGA Application Submission</li> <li>• Prescription arranged</li> </ul>	20 mins	36	\$150.00	\$76.95	\$73.05
Subsequent Consultation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check-up / Follow up</li> <li>• Repeat script arranged</li> </ul>	10 mins	23	\$75.00	\$39.75	\$35.25

### **Why don't we bulk bill on the weekends?**

Bulk billing is when a doctor accepts the Medicare rebate paid by the government as full payment for the service they have delivered.

When the government first introduced Medicare in 1985, the rebate was at 85% of the Australian Medical Association (AMA) recommended fee. However, successive governments have failed to increase the Medicare rebate in line with inflation, and now the rebate is less than half of what the AMA recommended appointment fee is (which has increased annually in line with inflation).

Medicare rebates will vary depending on the **time and duration of the consultation**. The minimum gap payment will be from \$35.00 - \$55.00. The Medicare rebate will be processed by the reception team through Medicare online claiming. The rebate will be reflected into your nominated bank account generally within 24-48 hours.

The fees that are generated from patient appointments have to cover the expenses of running a medical centre. Taking into consideration the consumer price index, staff wages, rental increases, accreditation, insurances, information technology, medical consumables to name a few.

Having access to healthcare is very important to us, which is why we will still continue to bulk bill during the weekdays the following criteria;

- Children and minors under 16 years
- Pension and Concession Card Holders
- Department of Veterans Affairs Card Holders
- Chronic Disease Care Plans
- Health Assessments
- Mental Health Care Plans

If you do not fall in this criterion above, full payment will be required on the day of your appointment and your Medicare rebate will be processed online. If you have any questions or would like clarification on how much your appointment will be, please contact our friendly reception team on (08) 6117 0480 or review our [Fees page](#).

### **Do Not Attend / Late Cancellation Policy**

There is an increasing demand for bulk billing appointments and due to the high number of non-attendances and late cancellations for GP appointments, to ensure equal access of care, we will charge a fee for any failure to attend or cancellation less than 2-hours prior to your appointment time.

\$40 – Single Appointment  
\$80 – Double Appointment

This is not Medicare claimable.

Until this account is settled, your access to services at this practice will be suspended. An indefinite suspension may be issued to repeat offenders.

There are many wasted appointments each day and this decision has been made to encourage attendance and adequate cancellation notice to allow access for other patients awaiting medical care.