

Closing the Gap



Australian Government



Practice Incentive Payment



\$1 000.00
per
practice

Sign on Payment: A one off payment to practices that join the incentive and agree to undertake the following to improve the provision of care to their Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients with a chronic disease:

- Seek consent to register Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients (regardless of age) who have, or are risk of, chronic disease with Medicare Australia in order to access support through the relevant Indigenous chronic disease package measures
- Practice must establish a mechanism to make sure their Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients aged 15 years and over with a chronic disease are followed up (e.g. through use of a recall and reminder system or staff actively seeking out their patients to make sure they return for ongoing care)
- Cultural Awareness training within 12 months of joining the incentive*
- Annotate PBS prescriptions for eligible Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients for the purpose of the Indigenous Chronic Disease Package PBS co-payment Measure

PIP Application Form



Australian Government
Department of Health and Ageing
Medicare Australia

Practice Incentives Program Indigenous Health Incentive application

Important information

Complete this form to apply for the Practice Incentives Program (PIP) Indigenous Health Incentive. This form is only to be used by practices and Indigenous health services already registered for the PIP.

For more information, refer to the PIP Indigenous Health Incentive Guidelines.

Assistance

If you need assistance completing this form call **1800 222 032** (call charges may apply) between 8.30 am and 5.00 pm ACST, Monday to Friday. For more information email pip@medicareaustralia.gov.au or go to www.medicareaustralia.gov.au > **For Health Professionals > Incentives and Allowances > Practice Incentives Program (PIP)**

Lodgement

Send the completed form to:
Practice Incentives Program
GPO Box 2572
Adelaide SA 5001
or fax to: **08 8274 9352**

Eligibility requirements

- 5 Does your practice agree to:
- a) seek consent to register your eligible Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander patients who have, or are at risk of, chronic disease with Medicare Australia in order to access support through the PIP Indigenous Health Incentive and the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) Co-payment Measure; **and**
 - b) establish and use a mechanism to ensure your Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander patients aged 15 years and over with a chronic disease are followed up (eg. through the use of a recall and reminder system, or staff actively seeking out their patients to ensure they return for ongoing care)?
- No Your practice is not eligible
Yes
- 6 Does your practice agree to annotate PBS prescriptions for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander patients with, or at risk of, chronic disease in the approved manner for the PBS Co-payment Measure from 1 July 2010?

Patient Registration Payment



\$250.00
per
patient

Payment available for each Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patient who:

-aged 15 years and over and
-registered with the practice for chronic disease management in a calendar year and has:

- Had (or has been offered) the appropriate health check for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians (**MBS item 715**)
- Has a current Medicare card; and
- Provided informed consent to be registered for the PIP Indigenous Health Incentive

Patient Consent Form



Australian Government
Department of Health and Ageing
Medicare Australia

Practice Incentives Program Indigenous Health Incentive and Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme Co-payment Measure Patient Consent

Important information

Complete this form if you are of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander origin and would like your doctor to provide better management of your chronic disease through the Practice Incentives Program (PIP) Indigenous Health Incentive and/or the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) Co-payment Measure.

Assistance

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Lodgement

Give the completed form to your doctor or a member of the practice staff. This form will be kept on file at the practice.

Print in **BLOCK LETTERS**

Tick where applicable

8 I want the practice written on this form to be my usual care provider and look after my chronic disease.

No

Yes

9 I have been told how participation in the PIP Indigenous Health Incentive will help my practice provide better care for my chronic disease. I understand what I have been told, and I want this practice to register me for this program.

No

Yes

10 I have been told how participation in the PBS Co-payment Measure will make my PBS medicines cheaper. I understand what I have been told, and I want this practice to register me for this program.

No

Yes

<http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/provider/incentives/pip/files/indigenous-health-incentive-pbs-copayment-measure-patient-consent.pdf>

Patient Registration Form



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Medicare Australia

Practice Incentives Program Indigenous Health Incentive and Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme Co-payment Measure Patient registration

Important information

Complete this form if you are a practice or Indigenous health service participating in the Practice Incentives Program (PIP) Indigenous Health Incentive and would like to register eligible Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander patients for the Indigenous Health Incentive and/or the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) Co-payment Measure.

For more information about the PIP Indigenous Health Incentive, cultural awareness training, health checks and a definition of a 'usual practice' and 'chronic disease', refer to the PIP Indigenous Health Incentive Guidelines.

Practice details

1 Practice ID

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2 Practice name

3 Address

<http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/provider/incentives/pip/files/indigenous-health-incentive-pbs-copayment-measure-patient-registration.pdf>

Outcomes Payment



Indigenous Health Practice Incentive Payment

Tier 1:
Chronic Disease Management
Payment \$100 per patient

Payment for each registered patient for whom a target level of care is provided by the practice in a calendar year

\$100.00
per
patient

- Develop a General Practice Management Plan (GPMP) (MBS item 721) or coordinate the development of Team Arrangements (TCA) (MBS item 723) for the patient and undertake at least one review of the GPMP or TCA (MBS Item 732) or
- Undertake two reviews of the patient's GPMP or TCA (MBS Item 732) during the calendar year or
- Contribute to, or review, a multidisciplinary care plan for a patient in a residential aged care facility (MBS item 731) on two occasions

Outcomes Payment



Indigenous Health Practice Incentive Payment

Tier 2:
Total Patient Care
Payment \$150 per patient

\$150.00
per
patient

To qualify for the Tier 2 payment

The practice must provide the majority of MBS services for the patient (with a minimum of any five MBS services) in the calendar year

This may include the services provided to qualify for the Tier 1 Outcomes Payment

PBS – 1st July



Eligibility for the PBS Co-payment Measure

The patient must:

- Identify as being of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander origin;
- Present with an existing chronic disease or chronic disease risk factor;
- In the opinion of the doctor, be likely to experience setbacks in the prevention or ongoing management of chronic disease if they did not take the prescribed medicine;
- Be unlikely to adhere to their medicines regimen without assistance through this measure

Registration for the PIP Indigenous Health Incentive and the PBS Co-payment Measure are independent of each other

A patient can choose to participate in the PBS Co-payment Measure and choose not to participate in the PIP Indigenous Health Incentive or vice versa

Practices should note that patients registered for the PBS Co-payment Measure only will not attract a patient registration payment



PBS – 1st July

- hand annotate scripts with CTG & initial/sign
- applies to all PBS medicine – *not just chronic disease medicine*
- excluded are hospital, specialists and dentists prescriptions
- general patient – scripts reduced to \$5.40
- concession patient – scripts reduced to \$0.00
- small number of medicines will still need to be paid by the pt
- no age restriction
- risk factors for chronic disease

Health Assessment



- Item 715 - \$196.65
- annually (minimum 9 months)
- age dependent requirements still need to be undertake i.e. 0-14, 15-54, 55 & over
- is to help ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people receive primary health care matched to their needs, by encouraging early detection, diagnosis and intervention for common and treatable conditions that cause morbidity and early mortality
- includes an assessment of the patient's physical, psychological health and social wellbeing

the different criteria



Indigenous Health Incentive

- ❑ Patient must identify as being of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander origin
- ❑ Patient must 15 years of age or over
- ❑ Patient must have a chronic disease
- ❑ Registration and consent is required annually
- ❑ Patients' eligibility criteria must be met

PBS Co-Payment Measure Scheme

- ❑ Patient must identify as being of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander origin
- ❑ Patients' age is irrelevant
- ❑ Patient must have or be at risk of a chronic disease
- ❑ Once only registration and consent
- ❑ Patients' eligibility criteria must be met

Sunshine Coast



MBS	2008	2009
704	28	36
708	34	56
710	105	103

Increase 28
4.7% of the
Aboriginal and
Torres Strait
Islander people
have had a health
check in 2009

Item 10987

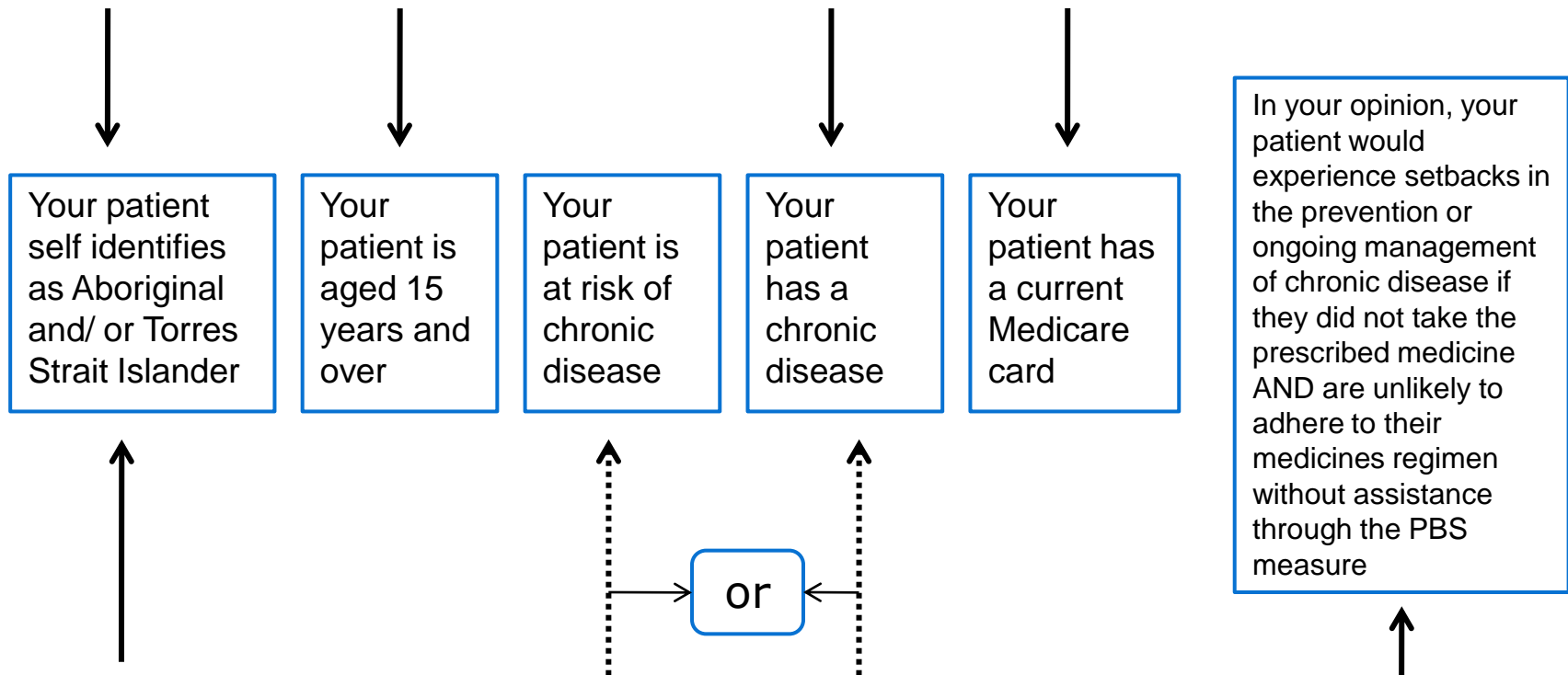


- follow up service provided by a PN or registered AHW, for and on behalf of the medical practitioner
- for Indigenous patients that have received a Health Assessment (Item 715) *and is consistent with the needs identified through the assessment*
- 10 services claimable per patient per calendar year
- \$22.70 per service

Eligibility Recap....



Your patient is eligible for the PIP Indigenous Health if they meet ALL of the following criteria



Your patient is eligible for the PBS Co-payment Measure if they meet ALL of the above criteria



Contact for any questions, support, resources, a chat

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<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/ctg/publishing.nsf/Content/home-1>

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Please regularly access the online resource www.health.gov.au/mbsonline for updated information.

