

Overview of Diabetes Telehealth Endocrinology Service-related MBS item numbers available for health professionals and medical practitioners.

## Summary, Context and Rules

Summarised below are the MBS item numbers for medical practitioners to provide clinical support to their patients during video consultations with specialists.

- A video consultation will involve a single specialist attending to the patient with the possible participation of another medical practitioner, practice nurse, or Aboriginal Health Worker at the patient end
- The medical practitioner must be present during part or all of the consultation
- Participating telehealth practitioners must keep notes of the consultation including documenting that the service was performed by video-conference (VC), the date, time and people who participated
- A patient may receive a telehealth consultation and a face-to-face consultation by the same or different medical practitioner on the same day
- Medicare benefits may be paid for more than one VC on a patient on the same day by the same medical practitioner, provided the subsequent consultations are not a continuation of the initial VC
- If the remote practitioner is unable to establish both a video and audio link with the patient, an MBS rebate for specialist VC consultation is not payable

## MBS item numbers for nurse practitioners, practice nurses and AWH

- **82220** — professional attendance lasting less than 20 minutes by a participating nurse practitioner that requires the provision of clinical support to a patient who is participating in a VC consultation with a specialist. **Fee \$28.30 Benefit 85% = \$24.10**
- **82221** — professional attendance lasting 20-40 minutes by a participating nurse practitioner that requires the provision of clinical support to a patient who is participating in a consultation with a specialist. **Fee \$53.70 Benefit 85% = \$45.65**
- **82222** — professional attendance lasting at least 40 minutes by a participating nurse practitioner that requires the provision of clinical support to a patient who is participating in a VC consultation with a specialist. **Fee \$78.95 Benefit 85% = \$67.15**
- **10983** — attendance by a practice nurse, an AHW or an ATSI health practitioner on behalf of, and under the supervision of, a medical practitioner, to provide clinical support to a patient who is participating in a VC with a specialist. **Fee \$32.40 Benefit 100% = \$32.40**

There are other MBS items relating to people in a residential care service

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## MBS item numbers for medical practitioners

- **2100** — professional attendance at consulting rooms of at least 5 minutes by a medical practitioner providing clinical support to a patient who is attending a VC consultation with a specialist.  
**Fee \$22.90 Benefit 100% \$22.90**
- **2122** — professional attendance not at consulting rooms of at least 5 minutes by a medical practitioner providing clinical support to a patient who is attending a consultation with a specialist. Fee for item 2100 plus \$25.95 divided by the number of patients seen, up to a maximum of six patients. For seven or more patients — **Fee for item 2100 plus \$2.00 per patient**
- **2126** — professional attendance at consulting rooms of less than 20 minutes by a medical practitioner providing clinical support to a patient who is attending a VC consultation with a specialist.  
**Fee \$49.95 Benefit 100% \$49.95**
- **2137** — professional attendance not at consulting rooms of less than 20 minutes by a medical practitioner providing clinical support to a patient who is attending a VC consultation with a specialist. Fee for item 2126 plus \$25.95 divided by the number of patients seen, up to a maximum of six patients. For seven or more patients - **Fee for item 2126 plus \$2.00 per patient**
- **2143** — professional attendance at consulting rooms of at least 20 minutes by a medical practitioner providing clinical support to a patient who is attending a VC consultation with a specialist.  
**Fee \$96.85 Benefit 100% \$96.85**
- **2147** — professional attendance not at consulting rooms of at least 20 minutes by a medical practitioner providing clinical support to a patient who is attending a VC consultation with a specialist. Fee for item 2143 plus \$25.95 divided by the number of patients seen, up to a maximum of six patients. For seven or more patients — **Fee for item 2143 plus \$2.00 per patient**
- **2195** — professional attendance at consulting rooms of at least 40 minutes by a medical practitioner providing clinical support to a patient who is attending a VC consultation with a specialist.  
**Fee \$142.50 Benefit 100% \$142.50**
- **2199** — professional attendance not at consulting rooms of at least 40 minutes by a medical practitioner providing clinical support to a patient who is attending a VC consultation with a specialist. Fee for item 2195 plus \$25.95 divided by the number of patients seen, up to a maximum of six patients. For seven or more patients — **Fee for item 2195 plus \$2.00 per patient**

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