

Enhanced Primary Care Packages (EPC)

Provides up to 5 Medicare subsidised visits to any allied health profession over a 12 month period. Must be completed by the GP. A gap payment may be required. Medicare rebate can be claimed immediately.

Client needs to have a complex medical condition, have two medical/health professionals involved. The GP needs to complete an Enhanced Primary Health Care Plan before they can refer.

Anniversary renewal date is on date of referral. The EPC can be spread over many different health professionals.

Private Cover

HICAPS system allows for on the spot claiming of service fees through your health fund with EFTPOS facilities also available. 1 Stop Paediatric Service therapists are registered providers with most private health insurance funds.

Claims can be processed through the HICAPS system at time of appointment. If you are unsure, if you are covered please contact your insurance company for details.

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Better Access to Mental Health Services

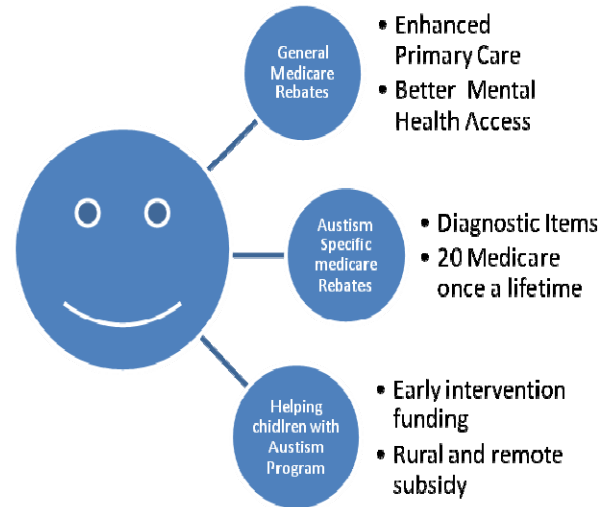
Must be completed by a GP or medical specialist, including paediatrician. Medicare rebates for these services are available to patients with a mental health disorder who have been referred by a medical practitioner managing a client under a GP Mental Health Care Plan, and/or a psychiatrist assessment and management plan; or on direct referral by a psychiatrist or paediatrician.

Receive up to 12 individual and/or group subsidised mental allied health services per calendar year, including Occupational Therapy, Psychology, Social Worker or Mental Health Worker. A gap payment may be required, Medicare rebate can be claimed immediately.

Services are provided in two sets of six services with a review by the referring practitioner after the first six services.

The Better Access initiative is increasing community access to mental health professionals and team-based mental health care, with general practitioners encouraged to work more closely and collaboratively with psychiatrists, clinical psychologists, registered psychologists and appropriately trained social workers and occupational therapists.

Occupational Therapists need to be registered with OT Australia in order to provide these services. Tania Thompson is unable to provide this service.



Autism Specific Medicare Rebates

Diagnostic Items: Allows for paediatrician/psychiatrist referral to OT, Speech and Psych for 4 visits in total to assist with the diagnosis of Autism. A gap payment may be required. Medicare rebate can be claimed immediately.

20 once off Medicare items: Paediatrician / psychiatrist referral required after diagnosis of Autism confirmed. Child has to be diagnosed before they are 13 years of age or they are not eligible for the funding.

Visits can be used to assist for Occupational Therapy, Speech Pathology and Psychology treatment at any time up to the age of 15 years from the date of diagnosis. Paediatrician will refer for a set amount of visits to the health profession and then request a review, in conjunction with parental priorities.

Helping Children with Autism Funding:

Early Intervention Funding: Child needs to be diagnosed with Autism prior to their 6th birthday. In SA requires two confirmed diagnosis of Autism or PDD NOS in order to be registered with Autism SA. Once diagnosed the child is referred to autism advisors (attached to Autism SA). The autism advisor will determine with the child's parent client eligibility for funding and register them on the FAHCSIA system. They will then provide information on service providers registered as part of the Early Intervention Providers Panel.

Child can access \$12000 for early intervention services and therapy resources until they turn 7 years of age. No more than \$6000 can be spent in anyone year. Funding is only able to be used for Occupational Therapy, Speech Pathology and Psychology. Parents in conjunction with the provider need to assess and determine services to be provided and then claim through FAHCSIA once each service has been provided. Fees for services are set by the provider.

Rural and Remote Subsidy: Once diagnosed children are eligible to receive \$2000 if they are classified as coming from a rural or remote area to assist with travel and accommodation costs when accessing services. Mt Gambier is not classified as rural and remote. Autism Advisors determine eligibility and register clients for this funding.