

Mixed Billing Policy



Auburn Road Medical Centre is a mixed billing medical clinic, where we prioritise the health and wellbeing of our patients above all else. Some patients will need to pay a 'gap payment' for appointments. **A gap payment, \$20-40 depending on individual circumstances**, is an out-of-pocket cost that is the difference between the practice's private fee and your Medicare rebate.

We understand that some patients may have difficulty affording medical care, which is why we are committed to providing affordable options:

- **Pensioners**, Health care card holder and children under 16 will continue to be **bulk billed**.
- **Vaccine appointments** will be **bulk billed**. The vaccine itself will incur a fee for those patients that are not eligible for a government vaccine program.
- **Care Plans** and Mental Health Care Plans will continue to be **bulk billed**.
- **Telehealth** will be billed **at a concession fee (\$20)**.
- **Short appointment** made only for Normal Test Results/Repeat Scripts/Medical Certificates will be billed **at a concession fee (\$20)**.
- **Full time Students** (under 25-year-old) with a valid student card receive a **concession fee (\$20)**.
- **Except for the above, other appointments** need to pay a full consultation fee **with the gap fee (\$40)**

Discretionary bulk billing is still available for those experiencing hardship – please speak to your GP or Practice Manager if you have concerns.

Private Fee Schedule



Consultation fee

CONSULTATION	OUT OF POCKET EXPENSE \$	PRIVATE FEE \$		MEDICARE REBATE \$	
		Standard Hours	Out-Of-Hours	Standard Hours	Out-Of-Hours
Standard (10 min)	40	81.20	93.65	41.20	53.65
Long (20 min)	40	119.70	132.00	79.70	92.00
Extra Long (40 min)	40	157.40	169.00	117.40	129.00

Standard Hours: MON - FRI (9 AM to 6 PM) / SAT (9 AM to 1 PM)

Out-of-Hours: SAT (1 PM to 2 PM)

Concession fee

CONSULTATION	OUT OF POCKET EXPENSE \$	PRIVATE FEE \$		MEDICARE REBATE \$	
		Standard Hours	Out-Of-Hours	Standard Hours	Out-Of-Hours
Standard (10 min)	20	61.20	73.65	41.20	53.65
Long (20 min)	20	99.70	112.00	79.70	92.00
Extra Long (40 min)	20	137.40	149.00	117.40	129.00

The full private fee is requested at the end of your appointment, otherwise an administration fee of \$10 will apply.

You can receive your Medicare rebate immediately via our Hicaps™ terminal upon presentation of a valid Medicare card and an Eftpos card with either a cheque or savings account.

We can also electronically submit your Medicare rebate on your behalf to Medicare. **The rebate should appear in your bank account within 1-2 business days.**

We recommend that you ensure your bank details are up-to-date on my.gov.au or to visit your local Medicare branch to avoid any delays in receiving your rebate. Please contact our friendly receptionist for further details.

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Fee for non-Medicare cardholders



We welcome travellers and patients that are not covered by Medicare. **The fee for the first standard consultation is \$99.70 or \$112 (Out-of-Hours).** The subsequent consultation fees are listed in tables below.

Consultation fee

CONSULTATION	Standard Hours \$	Out-of-Hours \$
Standard (10 min)	81.20	93.65
Long (15 min)	119.70	132.00
Extra Long (30 min)	157.40	169.00

Standard Hours: **MON - FRI** (9 AM to 6 PM) / **SAT** (9 AM to 1 PM)

Out-of-Hours: **SAT** (After 1 PM)

Concession fee

CONSULTATION	Standard Hours \$	Out-of-Hours \$
Standard (10 min)	61.20	73.65
Long (15 min)	99.70	112.00
Extra Long (30 min)	133.30	144.50

The following types of appointments are eligible for **concession fee**:

- **Vaccine appointment.** The vaccine itself will incur a fee for those patients that are not eligible for a government vaccine program.
- **Telehealth appointment.** Fee is requested before your appointment.
- **Short appointment** made only for Normal Test Results/Repeat Scripts/Medical Certificates.
- **Children under 16.**

Fee for Non-Consultation Items



Procedure	Gap Fee \$	Full Fee			Rebate \$
		BB	C	P	
Simple dressing per visit (I23+\$5)	5	46.2	66.2	86.2	41.2
Cryotherapy (I23+\$10)	10	51.2	71.2	91.2	41.2
Pregnancy Test (I23+I73806+\$15)	15	64.85	84.85	104.85	49.85
Complex dressing per visit/ Holter (I23+\$20)	20	61.2	66.2	86.2	41.2
Ear Syringing (I23 + \$25)	25	66.2	86.2	106.2	41.2
ECG (I23+I11707+\$35)	35	93.35	113.35	133.35	58.35
Mirena removal (I36+I35506+\$60)	60	189.70			129.70
Implanon removal(I36+I30062+\$60)	60	196.25			136.25
Implanon Insertion(I36+I14206+\$60)	60	172.85			112.85
Implanon removal and insertion (I36+I30062+I14206+\$80)	80	249.4			169.40
Minor surgery including excisions and wound suturing (I36+\$100)	100	179.70			79.70
Iron infusion (I36+\$150)	150	229.7			79.70

BB – Bulk Billing, C – Concession, P – Private. The full fee is calculated according to standard consultation rate

Vaccine	Fee \$
Flu Vaccine	20
Hepatitis B Vaccine	30
Boostrix/Adacel	45
Yellow Fever Vaccine	150

Other Items	Fee \$
Medical Reports and Form completion	20 per 5 min
Commercial Medicals (including Driving, Insurance Reports)	450 per hr plus GST

International Credit Cards - Extra 3% fee

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