



**Australian Government**

**Department of Health and Ageing**

# **AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT HEARING SERVICES PROGRAM**

## **Schedule of Fees**

**Effective 1 July 2013 – for the period of 2013-14**

# Schedule of Fees

## Annual Indexation of Fees

Under the Australian Government Hearing Services Program, the GST exclusive amount for service items will be adjusted on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each financial year, in accordance with the following indexes:

- The parameter will be Wage Cost Index 1 for the majority of items, this being a weighted average of estimated movements in wage costs and underlying inflation. The resultant GST amount will be rounded to the nearest dollar; and
- Client maintenance contribution will be indexed in line with the Consumer Price Index.

Indexation of service items takes effect from 1 July each year.

## Transitional Matters

Where:

- (a) a service is provided pursuant to service items 630, 635, 640, 650, 655, 660, 760, 770, 820, 825 and 830 of Schedule 3 of this Contract, or Schedule 3 of the Previous Contract; and
- (b) the date of fitting occurs prior to 1 July 2013, but the Date of Service occurs on or after 1 July 2013;

the schedule fees payable for those service items are those specified under this contract, and the device prices payable are those specified under the previous contract.

## Non Standard Device Prices

- Please refer to The Main Schedule of Devices for individual device pricing.

## Dispensing Fee for BTE hearing aids fitted

An amount added to each BTE hearing aid fitted \$24.80

(Items 630, 640, 650, 660, 760, 770, 820, 830, 840, 850 and 960 only)

## Client Payments

### Annual Hearing Aid Maintenance Charge - payable by the Client

The annual hearing aid maintenance charge is collected from the Client is \$41.53 (\$39.55 base fee plus \$1.98 GST).

(This charge is GST inclusive and is payable by the Client in relation to items 630, 635, 640, 700, 710, 790, 791)

**Please Note:** Where the client replacement fee is not covered by items 555 or 888 the fee charged to the client is \$30.00.

<b>HEARING SERVICES PROGRAM SCHEDULE OF FEES 2013-14</b>					
<b>Item</b>	<b>Service Description</b>	<b>Benefit Excluding GST (Rounded)</b>	<b>GST Liable</b>	<b>GST</b>	<b>Total Benefit Inclusive of GST</b>
<b>Assessment</b>					
600	First Assessment	\$130.15	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$130.15
610	Audiological case management	\$41.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$41.30
800	Reassessment	\$130.15	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$130.15
810	Audiological case management	\$41.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$41.30
<b>Fitting</b>					
630	Initial fitting, rehabilitation and maintenance- Monaural	\$415.40	\$5.70	\$0.57	\$415.97
640	Initial fitting, rehabilitation and maintenance- Binaural	\$519.75	\$17.58	\$1.76	\$521.51
650	Initial fitting and rehabilitation - Monaural	\$404.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$404.00
660	Initial fitting and rehabilitation - Binaural	\$484.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$484.60
760	Subsequent initial fitting, rehabilitation and maintenance	\$106.40	\$14.95	\$1.50	\$107.90
770	Subsequent initial fitting and rehabilitation	\$76.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$76.50
820	Refitting and rehabilitation - Monaural	\$347.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$347.20
830	Refitting and rehabilitation - Binaural	\$345.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$345.10
<b>Hearing Device Prices</b>					
	Category 1	\$441.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$441.20
	Category 2	\$417.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$417.40
	Category 3	\$383.35	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$383.35
	BTE Additional Dispensing Fee	\$24.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24.80

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<b>Maintenance</b>					
700	Maintenance and battery supply - Monaural	\$67.15	\$33.58	\$3.36	\$70.51
710	Maintenance and battery supply - Binaural	\$177.75	\$88.88	\$8.89	\$186.64
711	Relocated maintenance and battery supply - Monaural	\$106.70	\$53.35	\$5.34	\$112.04
722	Relocated maintenance and battery supply - Binaural	\$217.30	\$108.65	\$10.87	\$228.17
777	Payment of client contribution for maintenance/batteries DVA eligible clients	\$39.55	\$19.78	\$1.98	\$41.53
790	Maintenance and battery supply - Monaural (Private)	\$67.15	\$33.58	\$3.36	\$70.51
791	Maintenance and battery supply - Binaural (Private)	\$177.75	\$88.88	\$8.89	\$186.64
<b>Replacements</b>					
840	Replacement of Lost/DBR Device - Monaural	\$65.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$65.10
850	Replacement of Lost/DBR Device - Binaural	\$95.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$95.05
555	Payment of Client Contribution for Exempt Clients (Manual Claim)	\$38.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$38.20
888	Payment of Client Contribution for Replacement for DVA Eligible Clients	\$38.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$38.20
<b>Other</b>					
670	Rehabilitation Service	\$188.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$188.10
680	Rehabilitation Plus	\$133.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$133.25
681	Rehabilitation Plus	\$66.15	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$66.15
930	Client Review - Monaural (previously known as Aid Adjustment))	\$73.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$73.40
940	Client Review - Binaural (previously known as Aid Adjustment)	\$113.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$113.70
900	Minor Repairs - Monaural	\$48.55	\$48.55	\$4.86	\$53.41
910	Minor Repairs - Binaural	\$94.05	\$94.05	\$9.41	\$103.46

<b>HEARING SERVICES PROGRAM - SCHEDULE OF FEES 2013-14 (MANUAL PAYMENTS)</b>					
<b>Item</b>	<b>Service Description</b>	<b>Benefit Excluding GST (Rounded)</b>	<b>GST Liable</b>	<b>GST</b>	<b>Total Benefit Inclusive of GST</b>
1	Aid returned for credit Monaural	\$202.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$202.00
2	Aid returned for credit Binaural	\$242.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$242.30
3	Dispensing Fee	\$24.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24.80
631	First H/Aid Fitting with a Non Follow up appointment-Monaural	\$207.70	\$5.70	\$0.57	\$208.27
635	Initial fitting, rehabilitation and maintenance- NAD	\$187.00	\$8.27	\$0.83	\$187.83
636	Initial Fitting NAD with a Non Follow up appointment	\$93.50	\$8.27	\$0.83	\$94.33
641	First H/Aid Fitting with a Non Follow up appointment-Binaural	\$259.90	\$17.58	\$1.76	\$261.66
651	First H/Aid Fitting without maintenance. with a Non follow up appointment-Monaural	\$202.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$202.00
655	Initial fitting and rehabilitation - NAD	\$170.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$170.45
656	Initial Fitting NAD without maintenance with a non follow up appointment	\$85.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$85.25
661	First H/Aid Fitting without maintenance. with a Non follow up appointment-Binaural	\$242.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$242.30
761	Fitting of second Hearing Aid with a Non Follow up appointment	\$53.20	\$14.95	\$1.50	\$54.70
771	Fitting of second H/Aid without maintenance and Non follow up appointment	\$38.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$38.25
821	Refit with a Non Follow up appointment - Monaural	\$173.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$173.60
825	Refitting and rehabilitation - NAD	\$119.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$119.85
826	Refit NAD with a Non follow up appointment	\$59.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$59.95
831	Refit with a Non Follow up appointment - Binaural	\$172.55	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$172.55
960	Spare Aid	\$69.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$69.20

**Item 1** is when the client has been monaurally fitted and does not want the aid – the aid is returned to the manufacturer and a credit is given to the provider. The payment made is half the cost of the initial fitting of item # 650, 655, 770, 820 or 825.

**Item 2** is when the client has been binaurally fitted and does not want the aid – the aids are returned to the manufacturer and a credit is given to the provider. The payment made is half the cost of the initial fitting of item # 660 and 830.