



Australian Government

Department of Health and Ageing

Australian Government Hearing Services Program

Service Provider Contract

1 July 2007 - 30 June 2012

Schedule 3 - Schedule of Fees

Effective 1 July 2011 – for the period of 2011-12

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 1st 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

1.1 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 2011, but the Date of Service occurs on or after 1 July 2011;

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

- Non- Standard devices. 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 \$24.00
(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. \$39.90
(This Charge 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.

Hearing Services Program - Schedule of Fees 2011-12					
Item	Service Description	Benefit Excluding GST (Rounded)	GST Liabile	GST	Total Benefit Inclusive of GST
Assessment					
600	First Assessment	\$126.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$126.00
610	Audiological case management	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40.00
800	Reassessment	\$126.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$126.00
810	Audiological case management	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40.00
Fitting					
630	Initial fitting, rehabilitation and maintenance- Monaural	\$402.00	\$5.50	\$0.55	\$402.55
640	Initial fitting, rehabilitation and maintenance- Binaural	\$503.00	\$17.00	\$1.70	\$504.70
650	Initial fitting and rehabilitation - Monaural	\$391.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$391.00
660	Initial fitting and rehabilitation - Binaural	\$469.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$469.00
760	Subsequent initial fitting, rehabilitation and maintenance	\$103.00	\$14.50	\$1.45	\$104.45
770	Subsequent initial fitting and rehabilitation	\$74.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$74.00
820	Refitting and rehabilitation - Monaural	\$336.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$336.00
830	Refitting and rehabilitation - Binaural	\$334.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$334.00
Hearing Device Prices					
Category 1	Category 1	\$427.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$427.00
Category 2	Category 2	\$404.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$404.00
Category 3	Category 3	\$371.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$371.00
BTE	BTE Additional Dispensing Fee	\$24.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24.00
Maintenance					
700	Maintenance and battery supply - Monaural	\$65.00	\$32.50	\$3.25	\$68.25
710	Maintenance and battery supply - Binaural	\$172.00	\$86.00	\$8.60	\$180.60

711	Relocated maintenance and battery supply - Monaural	\$103.00	\$51.50	\$5.15	\$108.15
722	Relocated maintenance and battery supply - Binaural	\$210.00	\$105.00	\$10.50	\$220.50
777	# Payment of client contribution for maintenance/batteries DVA eligible clients	\$38.00	\$19.00	\$1.90	\$39.90
790	Maintenance and battery supply - Monaural (Private)	\$65.00	\$32.50	\$3.25	\$68.25
791	Maintenance and battery supply - Binaural (Private)	\$172.00	\$86.00	\$8.60	\$180.60
Replacements					
840	Replacement of Lost/DBR Device - Monaural	\$63.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$63.00
850	Replacement of Lost/DBR Device - Binaural	\$92.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$92.00
555	Payment of Client Contribution for Exempt Clients (Manual Claim)	\$37.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$37.00
888	Payment of Client Contribution for Replacement for DVA Eligible Clients	\$37.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$37.00
Other					
670	Rehabilitation Service	\$182.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$182.00
680	Rehabilitation Plus	\$129.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$129.00
681	Rehabilitation Plus	\$64.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$64.00
930	Aid Adjustment - Monaural	\$71.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$71.00
940	Aid Adjustment - Binaural	\$110.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$110.00
900	Minor Repairs - Monaural	\$47.00	\$47.00	\$4.70	\$51.70
910	Minor Repairs - Binaural	\$91.00	\$91.00	\$9.10	\$100.10

Hearing Services Program – Schedule Of Fees 2011-12 Manual Payments

Item	Service Description	Benefit Excluding GST (Rounded)	GST Liable	GST	Total Benefit Inclusive of GST
1	Aid returned for credit Monaural	Please see note below for Item 1			
2	Aid returned for credit Binaural	Please see note below for Item 2			
3	Dispensing Fee	\$24.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24.00
631	First H/Aid Fitting with a Non Follow up appointment-Monaural	\$201.00	\$5.50	\$0.55	\$201.55
635	Initial fitting, rehabilitation and maintenance- NAD	\$181.00	\$8.00	\$0.80	\$181.80
636	Initial Fitting NAD with a Non Follow up appointment	\$99.00	\$8.00	\$0.80	\$99.80
641	First H/Aid Fitting with a Non Follow up appointment-Binaural	\$269.00	\$17.00	\$1.70	\$270.70
651	First H/Aid Fitting without maint. with a Non follow up appointment-Monaural	\$196.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$196.00
655	Initial fitting and rehabilitation - NAD	\$165.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$165.00
656	Initial Fitting NAD without maint. with a non follow up appointment	\$83.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$83.00
661	First H/Aid Fitting without maint. with a Non follow up appointment-Binaural	\$235.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$235.00
761	Fitting of second Hearing Aid with a Non Follow up appointment	\$66.00	\$14.50	\$1.45	\$67.45
771	Fitting of second H/Aid without maint. and Non follow up appointment	\$37.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$37.00
821	Refit with a Non Follow up appointment - Monaural	\$168.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$168.00
825	Refitting and rehabilitation - NAD	\$116.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$116.00
826	Refit NAD with a Non follow up appointment	\$58.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$58.00
831	Refit with a Non Follow up appointment - Binaural	\$167.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$167.00
960	Spare Aid	\$67.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$67.00

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.