



Australian Government

Department of Health

Australian Government Hearing Services Program

Schedule of Fees

For the period of 01 July 2016 to 30 June 2017

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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 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 cent, and
- The Consumer Price Index for client maintenance contributions.

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

Transitional impacts

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 the Service Provider Contract, and
- (b) the date of fitting occurs prior to 1 July 2016, but the date of service occurs on or after 1 July 2016.

The device prices payable are those specified under the previous Schedule of Fees, prior to 1 July 2016. The service fees payable are those specified under the Schedule of Fees under the Service Provider Contract, from 1 July 2016.

Non-standard device prices

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

Dispensing fee for behind the ear hearing aids fitted

For item numbers 630, 640, 650, 660, 760, 770, 820, 830, 840, 850 and 960 only an amount added to each behind the ear hearing aid fitted is \$25.95.

Annual hearing aid maintenance charge and the replacement of hearing device - payable by the client

The annual hearing aid maintenance charge collected from the client is \$43.89. (\$41.80 base fee, plus \$2.09 GST). This charge is GST inclusive and is payable by the client in relation to items 630, 635, 640, 700, 710, 790, 791. Cash transactions should be rounded to the nearest five cents (\$43.90 for an annual hearing aid maintenance charge). Where the hearing device 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 2016-17

Item	Service Description	Benefit Excluding GST (Rounded)	GST Liable	GST	Total Benefit Inclusive of GST
Assessment					
600	First Assessment	\$136.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$136.25
610	Audiological case management	\$43.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$43.25
800	Reassessment	\$136.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$136.25
810	Audiological case management	\$43.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$43.25
Fitting					
630	Initial fitting, rehabilitation and maintenance- Monaural	\$434.80	\$5.97	\$0.60	\$435.40
640	Initial fitting, rehabilitation and maintenance- Binaural	\$544.00	\$18.40	\$1.84	\$545.84
650	Initial fitting and rehabilitation - Monaural	\$422.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$422.85
660	Initial fitting and rehabilitation - Binaural	\$507.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$507.20
760	Subsequent initial fitting, rehabilitation and maintenance	\$111.35	\$15.63	\$1.56	\$112.91
770	Subsequent initial fitting and rehabilitation	\$80.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$80.10
820	Refitting and rehabilitation - Monaural	\$363.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$363.40
830	Refitting and rehabilitation - Binaural	\$361.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$361.20
Hearing Device Prices					
	Category 1	\$461.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$461.85
	Category 2	\$436.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$436.90
	Category 3	\$401.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$401.25
	BTE Additional Dispensing Fee	\$25.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.95

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Maintenance					
700	Maintenance and battery supply - Monaural	\$70.25	\$35.13	\$3.51	\$73.76
710	Maintenance and battery supply - Binaural	\$186.05	\$93.03	\$9.30	\$195.35
711	Relocated maintenance and battery supply - Monaural	\$112.05	\$56.03	\$5.60	\$117.65
722	Relocated maintenance and battery supply - Binaural	\$227.85	\$113.93	\$11.39	\$239.24
777	Payment of client contribution for maintenance/batteries DVA eligible clients	\$41.80	\$20.90	\$2.09	\$43.89
790	Maintenance and battery supply - Monaural (Private)	\$70.25	\$35.13	\$3.51	\$73.76
791	Maintenance and battery supply - Binaural (Private)	\$186.05	\$93.03	\$9.30	\$195.35
Replacements					
840	Replacement of Lost/DBR Device - Monaural	\$68.15	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$68.15
850	Replacement of Lost/DBR Device - Binaural	\$99.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$99.45
555	Payment of Client Contribution for Exempt Clients (Manual Claim)	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40.00
888	Payment of Client Contribution for Replacement for DVA Eligible Clients	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40.00
Other					
670	Rehabilitation Service	\$196.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$196.90
680	Rehabilitation Plus	\$139.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$139.50
681	Rehabilitation Plus	\$69.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$69.25
930	Client Review - Monaural (previously known as Aid Adjustment)	\$76.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$76.80
940	Client Review - Binaural (previously known as Aid Adjustment)	\$119.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$119.00
900	Minor Repairs - Monaural	\$50.80	\$50.80	\$5.08	\$55.88
910	Minor Repairs - Binaural	\$98.45	\$98.45	\$9.85	\$108.30

Hearing Services Program Schedule of Fees 2016-17 (Manual Payments)

Item	Service Description	Benefit Excluding GST (Rounded)	GST Liable	GST	Total Benefit Inclusive of GST
1	Aid returned for credit Monaural	\$211.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$211.40
2	Aid returned for credit Binaural	\$253.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$253.60
3	Dispensing Fee	\$25.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.95
631	First H/Aid Fitting with a Non Follow up appointment-Monaural	\$217.40	\$5.97	\$0.60	\$218.00
635	Initial fitting, rehabilitation and maintenance – Alternative Listening Device (ALD/NAD)	\$195.70	\$8.65	\$0.87	\$196.57
636	Initial Fitting NAD with a Non Follow up appointment	\$97.85	\$8.65	\$0.87	\$98.72
641	First H/Aid Fitting with a Non Follow up appointment-Binaural	\$272.00	\$18.40	\$1.84	\$273.84
651	First H/Aid Fitting without maintenance. with a Non follow up appointment-Monaural	\$211.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$211.45
655	Initial fitting and rehabilitation - NAD	\$178.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$178.40
656	Initial Fitting NAD without maintenance with a non follow- up appointment	\$89.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$89.20
661	First H/Aid Fitting without maintenance. with a Non follow up appointment-Binaural	\$253.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$253.60
761	Fitting of second Hearing Aid with a Non Follow up appointment	\$55.70	\$15.63	\$1.56	\$57.26
771	Fitting of second H/Aid without maintenance and Non follow up appointment	\$40.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40.05
821	Refit with a Non Follow up appointment - Monaural	\$181.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$181.70
825	Refitting and rehabilitation - NAD	\$125.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$125.45
826	Refit NAD with a Non follow up appointment	\$62.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$62.75
831	Refit with a Non Follow up appointment - Binaural	\$180.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$180.60
960	Spare Aid	\$72.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$72.45

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.