



Supporting Information

Supplementary methods

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Table. Medicare Benefit Schedule (MBS) items assessed in our study

| | | MBS item numbers | |
|-----------------------------|---|---|---|
| Profession | | Face-to-face items | New telehealth MBS items available from March 2020 |
| General practitioner | | | |
| | Attendance for an obvious problem | 3 | 91795 |
| | Attendance less than 20 minutes | 23,24 | 91800 |
| | Attendance at least 20 minutes | 36,37 | 91801 |
| | Attendance at least 40 minutes | 44,47 | 91802 |
| | Indigenous Health Assessment | 715 | 92016 |
| | GP management plan | 721 | 92024, 92068 |
| | Coordination of team care arrangements | 723 | 92069 |
| | Mental health treatment consultation or care plan | 2701, 2712, 2713, 2715, 2717 | 92124, 92125, 92126, 92127, 92128, 92129 |
| | Other GP items | 232, 237, 699, 705, 707, 732, 735, 739, 743, 750, 758, 2501, 2504, 2507, 2517, 2521, 2525, 2700, 10981, 10982, 10990, 11505, 11506, 11610, 11700, 11702, 11707, 12325, 12326, 14206, 16500, 16591, 30026, 30029, 30032, 30061, 30064, 30071, 30192, 30216, 30219, 31206, 31211, 31356, 31357, 31358, 31361, 31363, 31365, 31366, 31367, 31368, 31370, 35503, 41500, 47354, 47361, 47915, 47916, 73806, 73839, 73840, 73844, 74990 | 92028, 92072 |
| | Practice Nurse or Aboriginal Health Worker | 10983, 10987, 10988, 10989, 10997 | 93202, 92203 |
| | Non-GP specialist | 104, 105, 110, 112, 116, 131, 132, 133, 135, 304, 306, 820, 822, 825, 832, 11218, 11241, 11600, 11710, 11712, 11714, 42587, 42738, 42809, 55113, 55114, 55126 | 91832, 91833, 91834, 91835, 91836, 92431, 92432 |
| | Allied health practitioner | 10905, 10910, 10911, 10912, 10913, 10914, 10915, 10916, 10918, 10950, 10951, 10954, 10956, 11330, 80100, 80110, 81320, 81325, 81355, 91169, 91170, 91183 | 93013, 93061 |
| | Non-GP, non-specialist doctors in training | 52, 53, 54, 57, 58, 59, 60, 65 | 91806, 91807, 91808, 91809, 91810, 91811, 91812, 91813, 91814 |