

## Practice Incentive Program and Service Incentive Payments Summary – April 2009

ITEM	ACTIVITY	ITEM NUMBER & TYPE OF CONSULT	PIP (\$ PER WPE)	SIP (\$ PER PATIENT)	NOTES
Diabetes	Patient register and recall / reminder system	N/A	\$1.00 (Approx. \$1,000 per FTE GP)		One-off payment only Practice must be registered for PIP Incentive payable with quarterly PIP payments
	Annual cycle of care for patients with Diabetes	In-surgery consultations: Level B - 2517 (\$33.55) Level C – 2521 (\$63.75) Level D – 2525 (\$93.80)		\$40 per patient	These item numbers should be used in place of the usual attendance items, when a consultation completes the minimum annual requirements of care. Payable once per year per patient.
	Outcomes payment	N/A	\$20.00 per patient with diabetes		Payment made ONLY to practices where <b>20%</b> of diabetics have completed an Annual Cycle of Care Payment only made to practices that have a <b>min. of 2%</b> of all patients with diabetes
Asthma	Sign-on payment	N/A	\$0.25 (Approx. \$250 per FTE GP)		One-off payment only Practice must be registered for PIP Incentive payable with quarterly PIP payments
	Asthma Cycle of Care	In-surgery consultations: Level B – 2546 (\$33.55) Level C – 2552 (\$63.75) Level D – 2558 (\$93.80)		\$100 per patient	Asthma initiative is for patients <b>with moderate to severe asthma</b> . At least 2 asthma related consultations within 12 months (review consultation is to be a planned consultation). Payable once per year per patient.
Cervical Screening	Sign-on payment	N/A	\$0.25 (Approx. \$250 per FTE GP)		One-off payment only Practice must be registered for PIP Incentive payable with quarterly PIP payments
	Screening 'at risk' women who have not been screened in the past 4 years	In-surgery consultations: Level B – 2501 (\$33.55) Level C – 2504 (\$63.75) Level D – 2507 (\$93.80)		\$35 per patient	Payments are made for women screened between the ages of 20-69 yrs. These MBS items must be used instead of the standard consultation items, in order to be eligible for this payment These MBS items can <b>not</b> be used in conjunction with items 10994, 10995, 10998 or 10999 (as these are practice nurse item numbers for cervical screening)
	Outcomes payment	N/A	\$3 per female WPE aged 20 - 69		Payment is made to practices where 50% of women aged between 20 and 69 yrs have been screened within the previous 30 months
Immunisation	ACIR Information Payment			\$6.00 per notification	Payment to GPs for notifying ACIR (via encounter form or online) of vaccinations that <b>complete</b> an age-appropriate immunisation schedule.
	Outcomes payment	N/A	\$3.50 per WPE for children <7yrs		\$3.50 for age-appropriate immunisation <b>rate 90%</b> and over. Practices must register with the General Practice Immunisation Incentive (GPII) Program. <b>Enquiries: 1800 246 101</b> or <a href="http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au">www.medicareaustralia.gov.au</a>

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E-Health	<b>Requirement 1:</b> Practices must have a secure messaging capability.	\$6.50 (per SWPE)  <b>Capped at \$12,500 per quarter</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A list of approved eligible secure messaging suppliers is available from NEHTA (National E-Health Transition Authority) and can be viewed at <a href="http://www.nehta.gov.au/pip-vendors">www.nehta.gov.au/pip-vendors</a></li> <li>The secure messaging capability may be a direct extension to the practice management system or a separate messaging system.</li> </ul>
	<b>Requirement 2:</b> The practice and each medical practitioner must have a valid PKI certificate.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The practice must have a location/site certificate</li> <li>Each practitioner (excluding locums) will need an individual certificate.</li> <li>New certificates will be valid for 5 years.</li> </ul>
	<b>Requirement 3:</b> The practice provides access to key electronic clinical resources for all medical practitioners.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Electronic resources must be available on the hard drive, as a CD Rom, or direct link to a website.</li> <li>There are two tables of categories available to choose resources from.</li> </ul>
After Hours Care	<b>Tier 1:</b> Ensuring patients have access to 24-hour care (as specified in the application).	\$2.00 (per SWPE)	'After Hours' refers to any time outside 8am to 6pm weekdays and 8am to 12noon on Saturday
	<b>Tier 2:</b> <b>Practices &gt; 2000 SWPE</b> On average, the practice covers at least 15 hours per week of its after hours care from within the practice <b>Practices &lt; 2000 SWPE</b> On average, the practice covers at least 10 hours per week of its after hours care from within the practice	\$2.00 (per SWPE)	The practice must first qualify for Tier 1 This arrangement must be for all its patients This is in addition to 'Tier 1' payment
	<b>Tier 3:</b> The practice provides 24-hour care from within the practice	\$2.00 (per SWPE)	<b>All</b> after hours care must be provided to <b>all</b> patients from within the practice. This is in <b>addition</b> to 'Tier 1&2' payments
Quality Prescribing	Practice participation in quality use of medicines programs, endorsed by The National Prescribing Service	\$1.00 (per SWPE)	This incentive is to assist practices in keeping up to date with information on the quality use of medicines. Payment will only be made if the <b>practice</b> meets a minimum participation level, set at three activities per FTE GP per year Paid annually in May.
Teaching	Teaching of medical students	\$100 per session	Payments are made to practices that host university medical student placements. Maximum 2 sessions per day (As per <a href="http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/providers/incentives/allowances/pip">www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/providers/incentives/allowances/pip</a> )
Practice Nurse	Practice employs or retain the services of a practice nurse or allied health worker.	\$8 per SWPE (max \$40,000 ps)	Payment to practices based on a minimum of two sessions per week or equivalent over payment quarter.