

Fees at Nunawading Clinic

At Nunawading Clinic we do not compromise on the quality of the care we provide. We are careful to recruit only the best medical staff. We are continuously investing in technology. The practice is fully accredited by Australian General Practice Accreditation Ltd.

None of this comes without cost, and our fees need to reflect the high costs associated with provided high quality care in the Australian community. The following fee schedule is effective from the 16th November 2006.

For Consultations at the Surgery

We ask that you pay the whole account on the day of service and claim the Medicare rebate yourself. For consultations that are paid for at the time of service the maximum out of pocket cost should be no more than \$20 regardless of the length of the consultation.

Medical Procedures

Generally procedures are billed at the M.B.S. scheduled fee, although procedures of increased length or complexity may be charged at a higher rate. Please feel free to discuss this with your doctor if you have any questions. This fee may also apply to patients who would otherwise be bulkbilled.

Bulkbilling

The Medicare rebate will not support the quality of care you have come to expect. Bulkbilling for consultations is only available to pensioners, concession card holders and children under 16 years and only on *weekdays before 5:00pm*.

Bulkbilling is not available at all after 5:00pm and is not necessarily available for procedures.

On weekends and public holidays only pension card holders are bulk billed.

Workcover

For Workcover matters you should be aware that you are responsible for the account until your employer has agreed to pay your medical fees. Usually you will have to pay the account and claim the cost back from your employer. Once your claim has been accepted by a workcover insurer we will generally bill the insurer directly.

Our revised fee schedule is overleaf - effective 16th November 2006

Fee Schedule for commonly charged items from 16th November 2006

<i>Surgery Consultations</i>	<i>Our Fee</i>	<i>Rebate</i>	<i>Gap</i>
23 (Std Consultation)	\$50.00	\$32.10	\$17.90
36 (Long Consultation)	\$75.00	\$60.95	\$14.05
<i>Sundays and Public Holidays (at Vermont Health Care)</i>			
5020 (Std Consultation)	\$60.00	\$42.50	\$17.50
5040 (Long Consultation)	\$90.00	\$71.35	\$18.65

<i>Home Visits</i>	<i>Our Fee</i>	<i>Rebate</i>	<i>Gap</i>
24/1 (Std)	\$85.00	\$54.55	\$30.45
37/1 (Long)	\$115.00	\$83.40	\$31.60
<i>Discount home visits (for pensioners only – fixed at \$15 gap)</i>			
24/1 (Std)	\$69.55	\$54.55	\$15.00
37/1 (Long)	\$98.40	\$83.40	\$15.00

Note that procedures are charged at the Medical Benefits Schedule fee unless the the service is particularly long or complex. You should discuss this with your doctor at the time of service.

As previously noted the out of pocket payment for **consultations** will generally not exceed \$20.