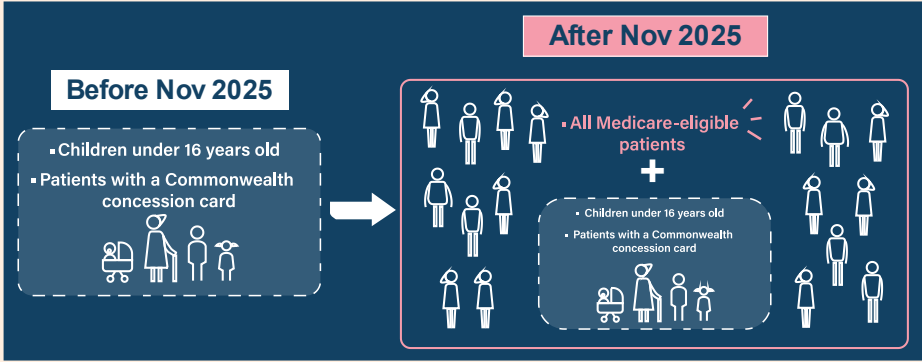


BB incentive expansion

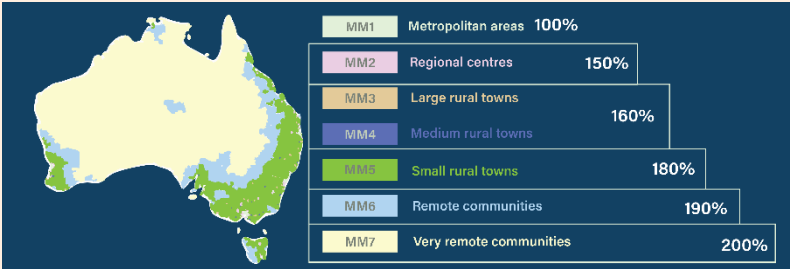
And BBPIP

Bulk Billing Incentive Eligibility Scope



From 1 November 2025, all Medicare-eligible patients will be eligible for bulk billing incentives.

Medicare bulk billing incentives are scaled and increase in regional, rural and remote communities, as determined using the [Modified Monash Model](#) location classification. Bulk billed items are scaled approximately as follows:



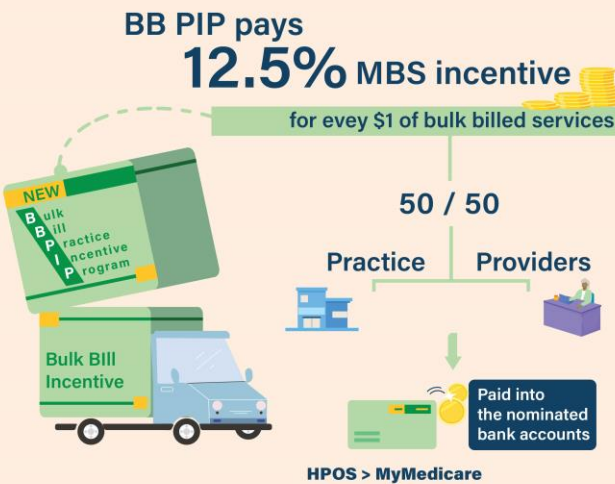
Bulk Billing Practice Incentive Program (BBPIP)

On 1 November 2025 practices can register for the new Bulk Billing Practice Incentive Program (BBPIP).

This incentive pays 12.5% for every \$1 of bulk billed services for the reporting quarter. This payment is split 50/50 between practice and providers.

Practice Eligibility Requirements:

Must bulk bill All eligible services	Advertise as a solely bulk billing practice	Be MyMedicare Registered (Patients do not need to be registered)	Be familiar with NRA items, services cannot be privately billed
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Before 1st Nov	- Finalise any private billings. - Register with MyMedicare if you haven't already - Update your details in PCA and your website. - Use the DOHDA materials and checklist to confirm that you have correctly advertised
On 1st Nov	Add the BBPIP program to your site's organisation record in HPOS.
After 1st Nov	Bulk Bill all eligible services. Regularly run checks to ensure all items are being bulk billed and any incorrect private billings are corrected to bulk billed.

Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptives (LARC)



What's changing	From November 01, the Medicare Benefit Schedule (MBS) fees will increase for existing long-acting reversible contraception MBS items.			New MBS items will also be created to expand access and reduce out-of-pocket costs for patients.			New loading MBS items will be created to incentivise bulk billing for LARC services.																	
Changing item numbers	Increased MBS fees for 4 existing LARC insertion and removal items						3 new MBS items for nurse practitioners to use for LARC services						2 new MBS items that provide for a percentage additional fee loading (set at 40%)											
	• 35503 • 35506 • 14206 • 30062						• 82201 • 82202 • 82203						• 35501 (GP and Specialist) • 82204 (NP)											
Requirements of LARC claiming	The patient cannot be charged any out-of-pocket costs for any MBS items claimed in the LARC insertion or removal appointment												To claim the relevant LARC item and co-claim the loading item, providers must:											
	This includes co-claimed items relating to provision of the LARC service.												• Meet all item requirements • Bulk bill the patient for every MBS item they claim in the LARC appointment • Add the loading item (for GP or NP) to the Finalise Visit screen.											
Resources	Resources:																							
	• Strengthening Medicare – women's health www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/sites/default/files/2025-03/budget-2025-26-health-3.pdf • Review of long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARC) Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing www.health.gov.au/our-work/review-of-long-acting-reversible-contraceptives-larc																							

Mental Health Treatment Plans and Better Access



Mental Health Care Plans and Better Access

The Australian Government is making changes to the **Better Access** initiative from 1 November 2025 to respond to the Better Access program evaluation.

GP Mental Health Treatment Plan **review** and mental health **consultation** MBS items will be removed. Instead, GPs will use general attendance items to review and provide mental health care.

GP Mental Health Treatment Plan **creation** MBS items will be retained.

Items remain / remove

Removed	Remains	Removed
Review	Preparation	Consultation
• 2712 • 92114 • 92126 • 277 • 92120 • 92132	• 2700 • 2701 • 2715 • 2717	• 2713 • 92115 • 92127 • 279 • 92121 • 92133

How will my flow change

Do not bill **review** or **consultation** items for mental health treatment plans after November 1st.

When conducting reviews or consultations, bill the *time-tiered* general attendance items for mental health treatment (for example Level E).

Patients enrolled in MyMedicare are encouraged to obtain referrals for treatment under Better Access by a GP at their MyMedicare-registered practice. Non-registered patients can be referred by any GP.

Further Resources

Resources:

- [Item 2715 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](https://www9.health.gov.au/mbs/fullDisplay.cfm?type=item&q=2715)
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- [Note AN.0.56 | Medicare Benefits Schedule](https://www9.health.gov.au/mbs/fullDisplay.cfm?type=note&q=AN.0.56&qt=noteID&criteria=AN%2E0%2E56)
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Check MyMedicare Status

Check MyMedicare registration

Reception can check the Demographics for MyMedicare registration at your practice.

In the Patient demographics, check:

- Usual Provider,
- Registered for MyMedicare,
- Registered Location details.

Doctors can inspect the patient's My Health Record

1. Untick **Exclude Medicare documents** and **Exclude prescription and dispense records** checkboxes.

2. Click **Update**.

3. Look for a **MyMedicare Registered Practice Information** document and click **Open**.

Resources

Email Correspondence In as a PDF from the patient record

What 's new

Correspondence can be emailed directly to patients as a **PDF** file attachment, secured with a **PIN**, from the Correspondence In screen within the Patient Record.

The document and image file formats listed below can be emailed directly from **Patient Record > Correspondence In**:

- Documents: PDF, RTF, DOC, DOCX and TXT.
- Images: JPG, JPEG, TIF, PNG, GIF, BMP, TIFF and MTIF.



The default name for the attachment is 'BPS Letter - <Patient Name>'.



Patients will need the **Clinical Communications** option selected in Bp Comms Consent options to receive correspondence by email.

How to email Correspondence In as a PDF from the patient record

1. From the Patient Record, select **Correspondence In**.
2. Select the item to email.
3. Select **Email copy to patient**.
4. The Bp E-mail will be generated with the **PIN** for the PDF.
5. Select **Send** to email to the patient.

The screenshot shows the 'Bp E-mail' window with the following details:

- To:** reuben.dean@emailaddress.com
- CC:** (empty)
- Subject:** BPS Letter - Mr Reuben T Dean
- Attachment:** PDF (checked), PIN: 1412
- Use account:** outlook.office365.com
- Template:** Email Correspondence In to Patients
- Attachment:** BPS Letter - 80.pdf
- Buttons:** Send, Cancel

Email Correspondence PIN Code

- A mandatory PIN will be generated and visible in the window.
- The PIN is not editable.
- The patient will need this PIN to view, print or copy the PDF file contents.

The screenshot shows the 'Bp E-mail' window with the following details:

- Subject:** BPS Letter
- Attachment:** REF (unchecked), PDF (checked), PIN: 8658
- Use account:** smtp.gmail.cc
- Buttons:** Send, Cancel

- Bp recommends sending the PIN in a separate communication (in person, email, SMS).

When you send Email with Correspondence

The screenshot shows the 'Bp E-mail' window with the following details:

- To:** reuben.dean@emailaddress.com
- Buttons:** Use addressee e-mail (unchecked), Use patient e-mail (checked)

The Patient email from the demographics record automatically populates the **To** field if the **Use patient email** checkbox is checked.

If outgoing email text has been set up via Configuration > Email > **Outgoing email text**, this text will be appended to the email sent to the patient.

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The **Template** list shows all templates of type 'Bp Comms Result'.

An **Action** is created in Today's notes on a successful send.

Cyber Security Updates: Pairing Codes for Partners

Standalone Integration Management Window / Pairing Codes

Standalone Integration Management Window

In the standalone integration management window, the Setup Third Party Integrations window has been transitioned to a **standalone** utility. This change allows practices to manage integrations with third parties more efficiently and with greater visibility.

Secure Pairing Codes for some Bp Partners

To support secure data access, some third-party integrations now require a **Pairing Code** to be enabled. Existing integrations that do not require pairing codes will continue to function without interruption.

How will the workflow change

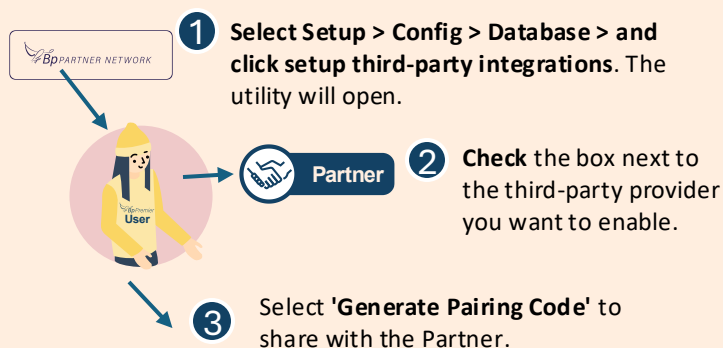
All Third Party Integrations and Partners will be making changes to the way they connect to your **Bp Premier database**, using **Halo Connect**, by **31st December, 2025**.

Almost all Partners will require you to provide a new Pairing Code from **1st February 2026**, or *as soon as* an existing Partner implements the Pairing Code requirement in their software.

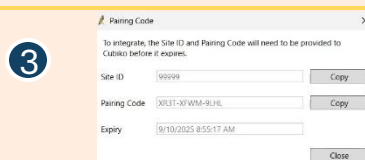
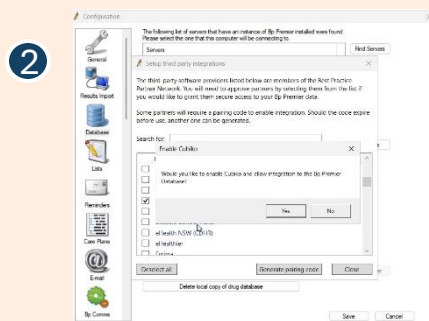
Pairing Codes are generated from the new Setup Third Party Integrations utility in Revision 3. You can install the utility if you are on earlier version.

Pairing Codes are the pairing code is unique to your practice; only practice administrators and the specific Partner need to know this code.

Setup a new third party integration



If the third-party provider does not require a pairing code, the **Setup Third Party Integration** screen will close.



Where can I find more?



Bulk Billing Incentives	<u>Upcoming changes to bulk billing incentives in general practice Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing</u> <u>MBS Online - July 2025 News</u>
Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptives (LARC)	<u>Review of long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARC) Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing</u> <u>Strengthening Medicare – women's health</u>
Bulk Billing Practice Incentive Program	<u>Bulk Billing Practice Incentive Program to provide 50/50 incentive split Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing</u> <u>Upcoming changes to bulk billing incentives in general practice Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing</u>
Mental Health Treatment Plans and Better Access	<u>PDF - Changes to the Better Access Initiative for general practitioners (GPs)</u> <u>Item 2715 Medicare Benefits Schedule</u>
AIR Mandatory Reporting Requirement Updates	<u>AIR Tip – 12 February 2025 NCIRS</u>