



Referral Form for Dental Services under Medicare

To be completed by referring GP (please tick the relevant box below):

- Patient has a GP Management Plan and Team Care Arrangements in place (MBS CDM items 721 and 723); or
- Aged care resident has a multidisciplinary care plan in place (MBS CDM item 731).

This referral is valid for 2 consecutive calendar years from the date of the patient's first dental service.

GP details

Provider Number

Name

Address Postcode

NOTE: Relevant chronic disease management (CDM) MBS item(s) above must be BILLED by GP prior to patient receiving their first referred dental service for Medicare rebate to be payable for that service.

Patient details

Medicare Number Patient's ref no.

First Name Surname

Address Postcode

Dental practitioner (or dental practice) details

(GPs may refer eligible patients to a dentist. Where a patient has no natural teeth and requires dental prosthetic services only, a referral may be made to a dentist or dental prosthetist. Patients cannot be referred by a GP to a dental specialist).

Name

Address Postcode

Referring GP's signature

Date signed

IMPORTANT NOTE TO DENTISTS AND DENTAL PROSTHETISTS:

To refer patients onto another dental practitioner, dentists and dental prosthetists may use a referral note or letter (signed and dated). A copy of this GP referral form must be attached to the referral note/letter as the receiving dental practitioner will need the GP's details and initial date of referral from the GP for Medicare billing.

Note: GPs are encouraged to attach a copy of the relevant part of the patient's care plan/s to this form.

Clinical notes/ current medications (optional).

Eligible patients may access Medicare benefits of up to \$4,250 in total over two consecutive calendar years for dental services provided under items 85011-87777. Note: Medicare benefits are not payable for dental services provided to an admitted patient in hospital (i.e. the items apply to out-of-hospital dental services only).

For general enquiries about the Medicare dental items, contact Medicare Australia on 132 150.

Dental practitioners should retain a copy of this referral form for record keeping and Medicare Australia audit purposes.

Copies of this form and further information about this initiative are available at
<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/Dental+Care+Services>
 Copies of the form may also be ordered by phoning: (02) 6289 4297.

THIS FORM SHOULD NOT ACCOMPANY MEDICARE CLAIMS