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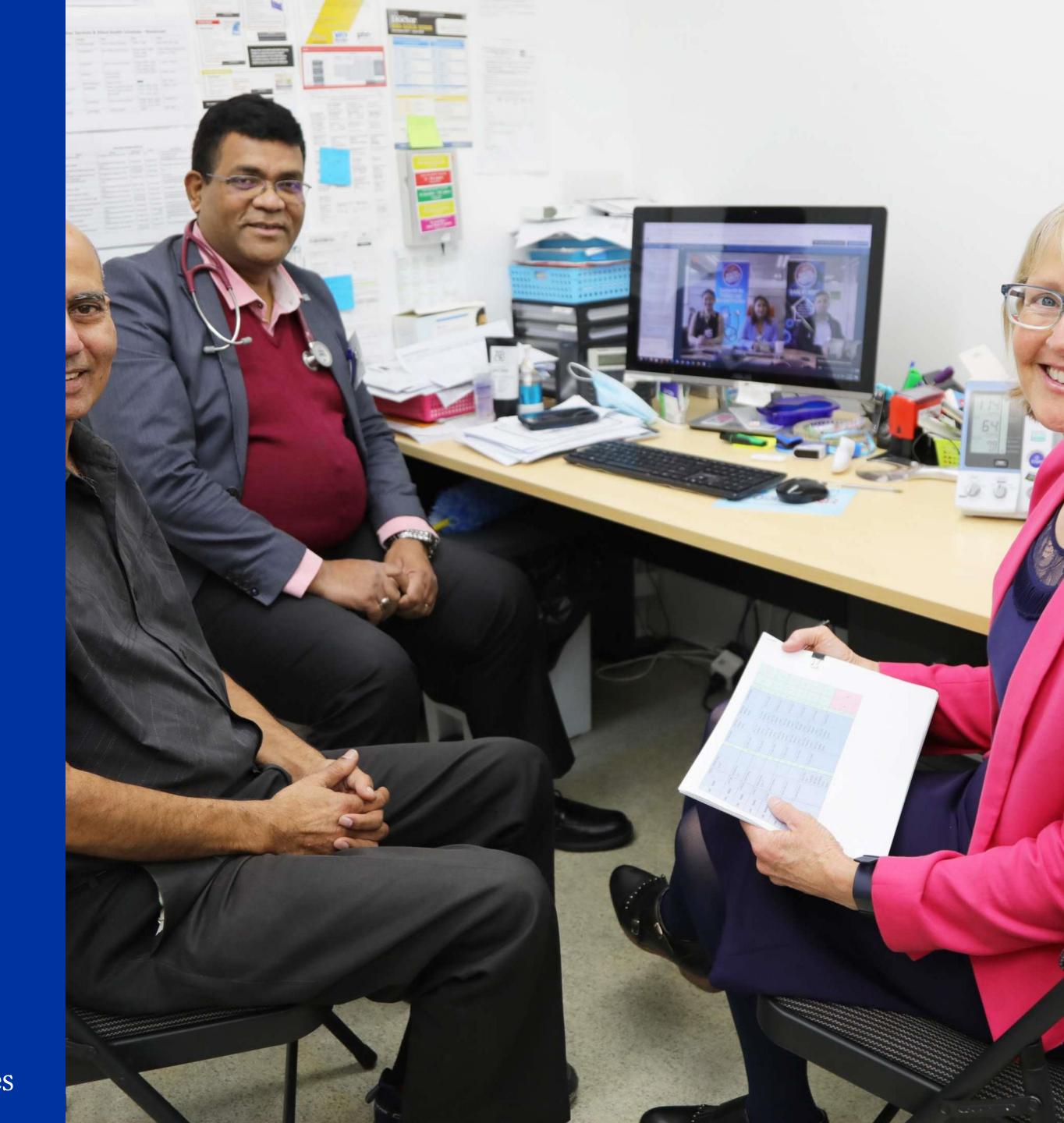
## Allied Health Case Conferencing MBS Item Numbers

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#### INTENT OF NEW ITEMS FOR ALLIED HEALTH PARTICIPATION IN CASE CONFERENCING

Promote greater uptake of GP-led multidisciplinary case conferences for people with chronic disease.

Promote multidisciplinary planning for children with autism or any pervasive development disorder (PDD) under the care of a paediatrician or psychiatrist.







#### NEW ITEMS FOR ALLIED HEALTH PARTICIPATION IN CASE CONFERENCING

The new item numbers are intended for:

- Chronic disease management under the care of a General Practitioner (GP) in either community or residential aged care settings.
- Early diagnosis and treatment for children under 13 years with, or suspected of having, a pervasive developmental disorder (including autism) or an eligible disability, under the care of a specialist, consultant physician or GP.

Under the new items, eligible allied health practitioners may claim reimbursement for participating in multidisciplinary case conferences through three time-tiered items: 15-20 minutes, 20-40 minutes and over 40 minutes.





### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

**For chronic disease management case conferences:** Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioners; Aboriginal health workers; audiologists; chiropractors; diabetes educators; dietitians; exercise physiologists; mental health workers; occupational therapists; osteopaths; physiotherapists; podiatrists; psychologists; or speech pathologists.

For autism, pervasive developmental disorder and disability case conferences: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioners; Aboriginal health workers; audiologists; mental health nurses; mental health workers; occupational therapists; optometrists; orthoptists; physiotherapists; psychologists; or speech pathologists.

As per existing arrangements, other providers can continue to participate in case conferences, however they will not be able to access the new items.



### CHRONIC DISEASE MANAGEMENT CASE CONFERENCE SERVICES

#### Service

Attendance by an eligible allied health practitioner, as a mem conference team, to participate in:

(a) a community case conference; or

(b) a multidisciplinary case conference in a residential a if the conference lasts for at least 15 minutes, but for less that associated with a service to which another item in this Group

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#### AUTISM, PERVASIVE DEVELOPMENTAL DISORDER AND DISABILITY CASE CONFERENCE SERVICES

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### WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR PROVIDERS?

The new MBS items will allow allied health practitioners to receive a payment for participating in multidisciplinary case conferences with the patient's medical practitioner and other providers.





### PRE-EXISTING RELATIONSHIP AND AGREEMENT

relationship with the patient.

agreement has been recorded appropriately.

As case conferences can be used to determine what type of care may be needed going forward, the new items do not require the allied health practitioner to have a pre-existing

The allied health practitioner should ensure that the patient has agreed and that their



#### TELEHEALTH

The PHN in partnership with Forsythes Technology, have setup a dedicated Help Desk to troubleshoot and resolve any issues while Telehealth consultations are being conducted via Healthdirect.

By contacting this dedicated Help Desk the support personnel can identify the nature or cause of the issue and assist with remediation and if necessary, work with your normal IT support to rectify certain issues.

How to contact:

- •By Phone 1300 766 661 (Option 4)
- •By Email <u>help@forsythes.tech</u>
- •By Web logaticket.com.au

For other resources please visit The PHN website https://thephn.com.au/programsresources/telehealth-resources



#### CHRONIC DISEASE CASE CONFERENCING

#### **Considerations:**

- Establish working relationship with a suite of allied health professionals and specialists
- Get permission for practice managers to coordinate appointments
- Decide on number of sessions, day and length of appointment times
- Are you going to do face to face or telehealth conferencing
- What technology are you going to use platform/video/phone
- Who do we prioritise for the case conferencing model?
- Obtain patient consent and document in the GPMP/TCA review
- Establish if there is a need for further case conference follow up e.g. 3-6 months



#### **ITEM NUMBERS & TIMING**

#### GP Organised Case Conferencing with Other Health Professionals

Health Professional	GP		Allied Health	
<b>15-20 mins</b>	735	<b>\$73.55</b>	<b>10955</b>	<b>\$50.85</b>
<b>20-40 mins</b>	739	<b>\$125.85</b>	<b>10957</b>	\$87.15
greater than 40 minutes	743	\$209.80	<b>10959</b>	\$145.10



#### THE APPOINTMENT BOOK

Time	Dr Ivor Cure 04/11/2021	Mrs. Diabetes Educator 04/11/2021
7:45 am		
8:00 am		
8:15 am		
8:30 am		
8:45 am		
	raymond "Ray" Bartholomew - Home visit	
9:15 am		
9:30 am		
	💮 Kathleen Costello - Home visit	
10:00 am		
	Terrance Costello - Home visit	
	& Nursing home (RACF) visit	
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1:45 pm	Case Conference Session with Dr Sweet	Case Conference Session with GP & Dr Sweet
2:00 pm	Madeline Abbott - Case Conference - 743	Madeline Abbott - Case Conference - 10959
2:15 pm		
2:30 pm		
2:45 pm	Frances Barrett - Case Conference - 735	Frances Barrett - Case Conference - 10955
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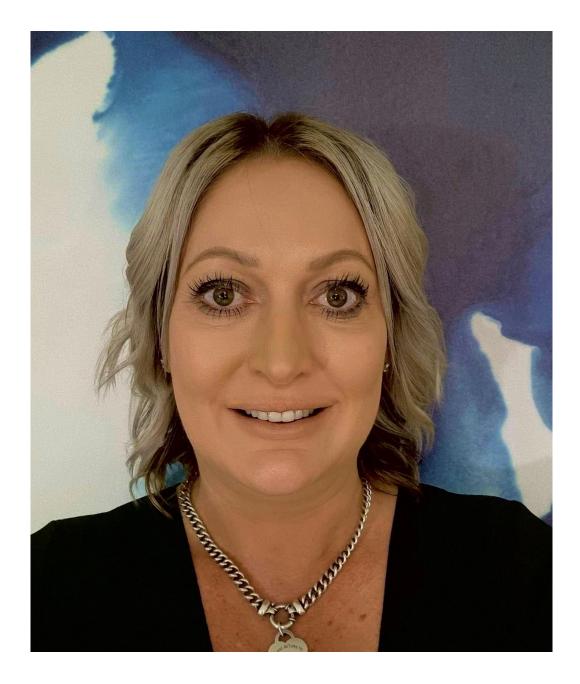


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