



Australian Government

Department of Health and Ageing

**SCHEDULE OF PHARMACEUTICAL
BENEFITS**

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

EFFECTIVE 1 January 2013

PHARMACEUTICAL BENEFITS

These changes to the Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits are effective from 1 January 2013. The Schedule is updated on the first day of each month and is available on the Internet at www.pbs.gov.au.

Fees, Patient Contributions and Safety Net Thresholds

The following fees, patient contributions and safety net thresholds apply as at 1 January 2013 and are included, where applicable, in prices published in the Schedule —

Dispensing Fees:	Ready-prepared	\$6.52
	Dangerous drug fee	\$2.71
	Extemporaneously-prepared	\$8.56
	Allowable additional patient charge*	\$4.11
Additional Fees (for safety net prices):	Ready-prepared	\$1.11
	Extemporaneously-prepared	\$1.45
Patient Co-payments:	General	\$36.10
	Concessional	\$5.90
Safety Net Thresholds:	General	\$1390.60
	Concessional	\$354.00
Safety Net Card Issue Fee:		\$9.06

*The allowable additional patient charge is a discretionary charge to general patients if a pharmaceutical item has a dispensed price for maximum quantity less than the general patient co-payment. The pharmacist may charge general patients the allowable additional fee but the fee cannot take the cost of the prescription above the general patient co-payment for the medicine. This fee does not count towards the Safety Net threshold.

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Additions

Addition – Item

2275R **Clopidogrel**, clopidogrel 75 mg tablet, 28 (*Clovix 75*)

Addition – Brand

8896F *Famciclovir generic* health 500, GQ – **Famciclovir**, famciclovir 500 mg tablet, 56
 2361G *Fendex ER, AF* – **Felodipine**, felodipine 2.5 mg tablet: modified release, 30 tablets
 2366M *Fendex ER, AF* – **Felodipine**, felodipine 5 mg tablet: modified release, 30 tablets
 2367N *Fendex ER, AF* – **Felodipine**, felodipine 10 mg tablet: modified release, 30 tablets
 5437E *Dutran 12, GM* – **Fentanyl**, fentanyl 12 microgram/hour patch, 5
 5438F *Dutran 25, GM* – **Fentanyl**, fentanyl 25 microgram/hour patch, 5
 5439G *Dutran 50, GM* – **Fentanyl**, fentanyl 50 microgram/hour patch, 5
 5440H *Dutran 75, GM* – **Fentanyl**, fentanyl 75 microgram/hour patch, 5
 5441J *Dutran 100, GM* – **Fentanyl**, fentanyl 100 microgram/hour patch, 5
 1434L *Auscap Aspen, QA* – **Fluoxetine**, fluoxetine 20 mg capsule, 28
 2848X *Lamotrigine Aspen 25, AS* – **Lamotrigine**, lamotrigine 25 mg tablet, 56
 2850B *Lamotrigine Aspen 100, AS* – **Lamotrigine**, lamotrigine 100 mg tablet, 56
 8507R *Razit 10, DO* – **Rabeprazole**, rabeprazole sodium 10 mg tablet: enteric, 28 tablets
 8508T *Razit 20, DO* – **Rabeprazole**, rabeprazole sodium 20 mg tablet: enteric, 30 tablets
 8509W *Razit 20, DO* – **Rabeprazole**, rabeprazole sodium 20 mg tablet: enteric, 30 tablets
 8509W *STADA Rabeprazole, TD* – **Rabeprazole**, rabeprazole sodium 20 mg tablet: enteric, 30 tablets
 8508T *STADA Rabeprazole, TD* – **Rabeprazole**, rabeprazole sodium 20 mg tablet: enteric, 30 tablets
 8787L *Rispericor 0.5, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 500 microgram tablet, 60
 8869T *Rispericor 0.5, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 500 microgram tablet, 60
 8789N *Rispericor 1, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 1 mg tablet, 60
 3169T *Rispericor 1, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 1 mg tablet, 60
 3170W *Rispericor 2, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 2 mg tablet, 60
 9079W *Rispericor 2, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 2 mg tablet, 60
 3171X *Rispericor 3, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 3 mg tablet, 60
 3172Y *Rispericor 4, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 4 mg tablet, 60

Deletions

Deletion – Item

2815E **Betamethasone Valerate**, betamethasone (as valerate) 0.05% (500 microgram/g) ointment, 15 g (*Betnovate 1/2, Cortival 1/2*)
 9199E **Tramadol**, tramadol hydrochloride 100 mg tablet: modified release, 10 tablets (*Durotram XR*)
 9200F **Tramadol**, tramadol hydrochloride 200 mg tablet: modified release, 10 tablets (*Durotram XR*)
 9201G **Tramadol**, tramadol hydrochloride 300 mg tablet: modified release, 10 tablets (*Durotram XR*)

Deletion – Brand

1434L *Auscap, QA* – **Fluoxetine**, fluoxetine 20 mg capsule, 28
 3416T *your pharmacy Clear Laxative, OY* – **Macrogol-3350**, macrogol-3350 1 g/g oral liquid: powder for, 510 g
 5426N *your pharmacy Clear Laxative, OY* – **Macrogol-3350**, macrogol-3350 1 g/g oral liquid: powder for, 510 g (**Palliative Care**)
 5427P *your pharmacy Clear Laxative, OY* – **Macrogol-3350**, macrogol-3350 1 g/g oral liquid: powder for, 510 g (**Palliative Care**)
 8649F *Cellplant, WQ* – **Mycophenolate**, mycophenolate mofetil 250 mg capsule, 100
 8650G *Cellplant, WQ* – **Mycophenolate**, mycophenolate mofetil 500 mg tablet, 50
 8787L *Resdone 0.5, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 500 microgram tablet, 60
 8869T *Resdone 0.5, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 500 microgram tablet, 60
 3169T *Resdone 1, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 1 mg tablet, 60
 8789N *Resdone 1, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 1 mg tablet, 60
 3170W *Resdone 2, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 2 mg tablet, 60
 9079W *Resdone 2, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 2 mg tablet, 60
 3171X *Resdone 3, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 3 mg tablet, 60
 3172Y *Resdone 4, CR* – **Risperidone**, risperidone 4 mg tablet, 60
 2804N *Terbix 250, MI* – **Terbinafine**, terbinafine 250 mg tablet, 42
 2285G *Terbix 250, MI* – **Terbinafine**, terbinafine 250 mg tablet, 42
 5232J *GenRx Tramadol, GX* – **Tramadol**, tramadol hydrochloride 50 mg capsule, 20 (**Dental**)
 8455B *GenRx Tramadol, GX* – **Tramadol**, tramadol hydrochloride 50 mg capsule, 20
 8611F *GenRx Tramadol, GX* – **Tramadol**, tramadol hydrochloride 50 mg capsule, 20

Alterations

Alteration – Brand Name

From:

8302Y STADA Venlafzine-SR, TD – **Venlafaxine**, venlafaxine 150 mg capsule: modified release, 28 capsules

To:

8302Y STADA Venlafaxine-SR, TD – **Venlafaxine**, venlafaxine 150 mg capsule: modified release, 28 capsules

Alteration – Manufacturer's Code

		To	From
8094B	<i>Cosudex, AP</i> – Bicalutamide , bicalutamide 50 mg tablet, 28	SZ	AP
8399C	<i>Panto, TK</i> – Pantoprazole , pantoprazole 20 mg tablet: enteric, 30 tablets	NZ	TK
8399C	<i>Pantoloc, TE</i> – Pantoprazole , pantoprazole 20 mg tablet: enteric, 30 tablets	NH	TE
8007K	<i>Panto, TK</i> – Pantoprazole , pantoprazole 40 mg tablet: enteric, 30 tablets	NZ	TK
8007K	<i>Pantoloc, TE</i> – Pantoprazole , pantoprazole 40 mg tablet: enteric, 30 tablets	NH	TE
8008L	<i>Panto, TK</i> – Pantoprazole , pantoprazole 40 mg tablet: enteric, 30 tablets	NZ	TK
8008L	<i>Pantoloc, TE</i> – Pantoprazole , pantoprazole 40 mg tablet: enteric, 30 tablets	NH	TE

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Deletions

Deletion – Brand

9501C	<i>Cellplant, WQ</i> – Mycophenolate , mycophenolate mofetil 250 mg capsule, 100 (Public)
6208R	<i>Cellplant, WQ</i> – Mycophenolate , mycophenolate mofetil 250 mg capsule, 100 (Private)
9502D	<i>Cellplant, WQ</i> – Mycophenolate , mycophenolate mofetil 500 mg tablet, 50 (Public)
6209T	<i>Cellplant, WQ</i> – Mycophenolate , mycophenolate mofetil 500 mg tablet, 50 (Private)

GENERAL PHARMACEUTICAL BENEFITS

Code	Name, Restriction, Manner of Administration and Form	Max. Qty (Packs)	No. of Rpts	Premium \$	Dispensed Price for Max. Qty \$	Maximum Recordable Value for Safety Net \$	Brand Name and Manufacturer
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CLOPIDOGREL

Authority required (STREAMLINED)

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Acute coronary syndrome (myocardial infarction or unstable angina)

The Clinical criteria is:

The treatment must be in combination with aspirin.

Authority required (STREAMLINED)

4165

Cardiac stent insertion

The Clinical criteria is:

The treatment must be in combination with aspirin,

AND the Clinical criteria is:

The treatment must follow insertion of a cardiac stent.

Note

Not for prophylaxis of deep vein thrombosis or peripheral arterial disease.

Note

Pharmaceutical benefits that have the forms clopidogrel tablet 75 mg (as besilate) and clopidogrel tablet 75 mg (as hydrogen sulfate) are equivalent for the purposes of substitution.

Note

Shared Care Model:

For prescribing by nurse practitioners where care of a patient is shared between a nurse practitioner and medical practitioner in a formalised arrangement with an agreed management plan. Further information can be found in the Explanatory Notes for Nurse Practitioners.

2275R NP	clopidogrel 75 mg tablet, 28	1	5	..	50.15	36.10 ^a	Clovix 75	QA
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