

Quality use of medicines MBS item numbers

Summary of web links and explanatory notes

	Domiciliary Medication Management Review (also known as Home Medicines Review) #900	Residential Medication Management Review (RMMR) #903
Steps that must be taken to claim the Medicare item	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine patient eligibility, assessing medication management needs and referring to community pharmacy • Discuss review results with the reviewing pharmacist • Develop a written medication management plan with the patient 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss and seek consent from resident • Provide relevant clinical information for the RMMR to the reviewing pharmacist • Develop or revise a written medication management plan, following discussion with the pharmacist • Discuss with resident
Medicare rules relating to frequency of service	Once per patient in any 12-month period ¹	Once per resident in any 12-month period ¹
Role of the GP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine patient eligibility and initiating service, if appropriate • Discuss of findings with pharmacist; • Agree on and finalise plan with the patient 	All, in collaboration with the reviewing pharmacist
Roles that can be performed by practice nurses (PNs) or Aboriginal health workers (AHWs) on behalf of and under the supervision of the GP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify patients who may be eligible • Organise appointments • Facilitate the referral to community pharmacy 	Nil
Main information web link	http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/Medication+Management+Reviews	

¹Except where there has been a significant change in the patient's condition or medication regimen requiring a new service

All information is current as at September 2008. Health professionals intending to use these items should refer to the Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) book or to the Allied Health and Dental Services MBS booklet for more comprehensive information, including the MBS requirements for each item. Alternatively, they can search for specific items at www9.health.gov.au/mbs or telephone Medicare Australia on 03 9605 7964 or contact the local Division of General Practice.