

Cost weights - Victorian Ambulatory Classification and Funding System (VACS) 2007–08

VACS Code	Description	Weight
101	General medicine	1.555
102	Allergy	1.218
103	Cardiology	1.520
104	Diabetes	1.116
105	Endocrinology	1.382
106	Gastroenterology	1.188
107	Haematology	1.865
108	Nephrology	1.592
109	Neurology	1.497
110	Oncology	1.806
111	Respiratory	1.777
112	Rheumatology	1.337
113	Dermatology	1.135
114	Infectious diseases	1.722
115	Developmental neurological disability	1.419
201	General surgery	1.238
202	Cardiothoracic	1.965
203	Neurosurgery	1.570
204	Ophthalmology	0.721
205	Ear, nose and throat	0.792
206	Plastic surgery	0.765
207	Urology	1.052
208	Vascular	1.242
209	Pre-admission	1.265
301	Dental	1.158
310	Orthopaedics	1.162
311	Orthopaedic applications	0.585
350	Psychiatry and behavioural disorders	1.638
401	Family planning	0.994
402	Obstetrics	0.776
403	Gynaecology	0.825
404	Reproductive medicine	0.729
405	Dysplasia and colposcopy	0.773
501	Paediatric surgical	0.947
502	Paediatric medical	1.120
550	Emergency medicine	n / a
601	Audiology	n / a
602	Nutrition	n / a
603	Optometry	n / a
604	Occupational therapy	n / a
605	Physiotherapy	n / a
606	Podiatry	n / a
607	Speech pathology	n / a
608	Social work	n / a
609	Other allied health services	n / a
610	Cardiac rehabilitation	n / a
611	Hydrotherapy	n / a

Notes:

1. 2007–08 cost weights have been set using 2005–06 VACS cost data, except for VACS 311 and 502 which have been set using a 3 year rolling average.

2. Weights are not detailed for VACS 550 - 611 as these categories are funded as fixed grants.