

# Top Extras Product Guide

This is a closed product. It is not open to new members.

Effective from 1 October 2020

Subject to change



Annual limits apply from 1 July.

Please read 'Things you need to know about extras' before having treatment or call us if you have any questions about out-of-pocket expenses.

## Dental

### Dental network

Get up to 15% off the usual dental fee at our network dentists. Receive no-gap on your annual scale and clean at participating network dentists - Limit to one per person per financial year. Visit [defencehealth.com.au/dental](http://defencehealth.com.au/dental) for more information.

### General and preventive dental

**2** Month waiting period **Annual limit - \$900 per person**

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| Periodic oral exam (O12)                              | Up to \$35.40 |
| Removal of calculus (114)                             | Up to \$66.20 |
| Bitewing x-ray (O22)                                  | Up to \$20.00 |
| Adhesive filling to one surface of a rear tooth (531) | Up to \$65.60 |

Dependent children can get one custom-fitted mouthguard (item 151 only) 100% covered each financial year, subject to general dental limits.

### Major dental

**12** Month waiting period **Annual limit - \$850 per person**

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| Surgical tooth removal (323)       | Up to \$138.60 |
| Root canal obturation (417)        | Up to \$129.00 |
| Veneer indirect (556)              | Up to \$438.80 |
| Full crown - veneer indirect (615) | Up to \$673.80 |
| Endosseous implant (688)           | Up to \$850.00 |

### Orthodontics

**12** Month waiting period **Annual limit - \$800 per person**

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| Orthodontic treatment | Up to \$800.00 |
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There is no lifetime limit on orthodontic treatment. Benefits are payable on proof of payment for treatment received during the financial year.

Some dental items are limited in the number of times they can be claimed in a year or appointment. Some are not payable in combination with others. And some may not attract a benefit at all. Check your available limits by logging onto your Online Member Services account, at [defencehealth.com.au/members](http://defencehealth.com.au/members)

## Ambulance treatment

**2** Month waiting period **Annual limit - \$ Unlimited**

Comprehensive cover for ambulance services by state-appointed ambulance providers across Australia. This includes emergency services, non-emergency dispatch, mobile intensive care and air and sea ambulance services.

Patient transport services are not ambulance services and are not claimable.

## Optical

**2** Month waiting period **Annual limit - \$255 per person**

### Optical network

Our optical network providers have extensive ranges of no-gap glasses and 100% back on eligible items available up to your annual limit. Plus, receive discounts on in-store contact lenses and other optical add-ons. Visit [defencehealth.com.au/optical](http://defencehealth.com.au/optical) for more information.

### Non-network providers

|                             |             |
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| Single vision lenses        | Up to \$90  |
| Ground single vision lenses | Up to \$95  |
| Bi-focal lenses             | Up to \$105 |
| Multi-focal lenses          | Up to \$155 |
| Frames/repairs              | Up to \$95  |
| Contact lenses              | Up to \$180 |

All optical claims must include a sight correcting script.

## Health and wellbeing

**2** Month waiting period **Annual limit - \$300 per person**

### Exercise physiology, remedial massage, acupuncture and myotherapy

|                         |            |
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| Initial consultation    | Up to \$31 |
| Subsequent consultation | Up to \$27 |

### Group physiotherapy

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| Group therapy sessions and classes | Up to \$17 |
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Includes group hydrotherapy.

### Tests and programs

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| Per test/program limit | Up to \$80 |
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Benefits are available for approved health screening tests (bowel screening, kidney check, mole mapping, bone density tests, mammograms, heart tests and specialist eye tests), approved quit smoking programs and nicotine replacement therapies.

Benefits are not available for tests/programs where Medicare pays a benefit. An itemised invoice with the patient's name must be provided. Visit [defencehealth.com.au/wellbeing](http://defencehealth.com.au/wellbeing) for more details.



## Physiotherapy (including one-on-one hydrotherapy)

**2 Month waiting period**      **Annual limit - \$550 per person**

|                                  |             |
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| Initial consultation             | Up to \$50  |
| Subsequent consultation          | Up to \$40  |
| Ante/post natal classes (max 10) | Up to \$20  |
| Full day antenatal class         | Up to \$200 |

*Ante/post natal classes must be provided by a recognised midwife or physiotherapist in private practice only.*

## Chiropractic/Osteopathy

**2 Month waiting period**      **Annual limit - \$450 per person**

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| Initial consultation                           | Up to \$46 |
| Subsequent consultation                        | Up to \$34 |
| Chiropractic x-rays (max 2 per financial year) | Up to \$40 |

## Psychology

**2 Month waiting period**      **Annual limit - \$400 per person**

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| Initial consultation    | Up to \$80 |
| Subsequent consultation | Up to \$70 |
| Group therapy           | Up to \$25 |
| Couple/family therapy   | Up to \$35 |

*Psychology services claimable through Medicare are not eligible for benefits.*

## Speech therapy

**2 Month waiting period**      **Annual limit - \$500 per person**

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| Initial consultation    | Up to \$85 |
| Subsequent consultation | Up to \$45 |
| Group therapy           | Up to \$30 |

## Occupational therapy

**2 Month waiting period**      **Annual limit - \$500 per person**

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| Initial consultation    | Up to \$65 |
| Subsequent consultation | Up to \$40 |
| Group therapy           | Up to \$20 |

## Podiatry/chiroprody

**2 Month waiting period**      **Annual limit - \$300 per person**

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| Initial consultation    | Up to \$45 |
| Subsequent consultation | Up to \$34 |

## Audiology

**2 Month waiting period**      **Annual limit - \$200 per person**

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| Initial consultation    | Up to \$60 |
| Subsequent consultation | Up to \$40 |

## Eye therapy

**2 Month waiting period**      **Annual limit - \$500 per person**

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| Initial consultation    | Up to \$50 |
| Subsequent consultation | Up to \$35 |
| Group therapy           | Up to \$10 |

## Laser refractive eye surgery

**12 Month waiting period**      **Limit - \$1000 per person every 2 financial years**

Benefits are payable for LASIK, PRK or SMILE eye surgery in a state recognised and registered day surgery centre.

## Dietitian

**2 Month waiting period**      **Annual limit - \$250 per person**

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| Initial consultation    | Up to \$50 |
| Subsequent consultation | Up to \$30 |

## Pharmacy and vaccinations

**2 Month waiting period**      **Annual limit - \$500 per person**

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| Per prescription or vaccination | Up to \$100 |
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*The benefit is payable on non-PBS pharmaceuticals only. It is paid on the gap between the current PBS amount and the actual charge.*

*No benefits are payable for over-the-counter medicines. Excludes vitamins, supplements and minerals.*

## School accidents

**No waiting period**      **Annual limit - \$600 child dependant**

To cover any out-of-pocket expenses resulting from a school accident. Relevant extras benefits must be claimed first. This benefit excludes services claimable through Medicare.

## Home nursing

**2 Month waiting period**      **Annual limit - \$1000 per person**

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| Per visit | Up to \$32 |
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*Visits by a registered nurse in private practice to attend to a person with a serious medical condition when requested by a medical practitioner.*



## Medically prescribed devices and appliances

**2 - 12** Month waiting period Annual limit - \$1000 per person

**2 month waiting period** **Sub-limit**

Non-sight correcting Irlen lenses Up to \$90

EpiPen Up to \$100

Appliance maintenance Up to \$100

*For the repair of hearing aids and foot orthoses or for the purchase of appliance accessories like PAP machine masks.*

Rental of appliances Up to \$150

*Including oxygen cylinders, soft collars, toilet seat risers, shower chairs, Continuous Passive Movement machines or any other appliance listed below.*

## Medically prescribed devices and appliances

**2 - 12** Month waiting period Annual limit - \$1000 per person

**12 month waiting period** **Sub-limit**

*\* Replacement or additional items are not claimable within 3 years of previous purchase.*

Hearing aids\* Up to \$1000

PAP machine\* for sleep apnoea Up to \$1000

*EPAP is not covered under the PAP machine benefit.*

Blood glucose monitor\* Up to \$400

Foot orthotics Up to \$220

*Custom-made and fitted by a specialist orthotic practitioner. Excludes over the counter orthotics.*

Orthopaedic shoes Up to \$250

*Custom-made and fitted by a specialist shoemaker for identifiable foot deformities.*

Splints and braces Up to \$250

*Splints, knee/leg/spinal/lumbar/sacral/wrist/ankle braces and surgical corsets.*

Mobility aids\* Up to \$1000

*Wheelchairs, crutches, walking frames, walking sticks, rolling walkers, seat riser cushions, reaches and adjustable canes.*

Non-cosmetic prostheses  
Annual sub-limits apply: Up to \$1000

- Wig following a medical condition Up to \$250

- External breast prostheses following a mastectomy Up to \$250

- Artificial eye\* Up to \$1000

Blood pressure monitor\* Up to \$250

TENS machine\* Up to \$250

Nebuliser\* and spacer for breathing conditions Up to \$250

Compression garments Up to \$1000

*Up to \$250 per compression garment. Must be TGA approved, and specifically made to treat, manage or prevent a medical condition such as treatment of burns, post-surgical recovery, treatment for lymphoedema or prevention of deep vein thrombosis are common examples when a compression garment could be suitable.*

*Claims must include a letter from the treating practitioner indicating recommended garment and condition being treated.*



# Things you need to know about extras

## Know your annual limits

All of the goods and services claimable under extras cover have annual per person limits.

Once the annual limit has been reached on a service, no further benefits are payable in that financial year. Most limits re-set on 1 July each year. Benefits, limits and payment conditions are assessed according to the date of service.

Benefits and limits are subject to change.

Check your available limits by logging onto your Online Member Services account, at [defencehealth.com.au/members](https://defencehealth.com.au/members)

If you've reached your limits, consider whether a higher level of cover is right for you. We're happy to help, just give us a call.

## Claiming extras benefits

Many health care providers (like dentists, optometrists and physiotherapists) can swipe your member card on-the-spot through an electronic terminal. Your benefit is automatically credited to the account and you then settle any outstanding amount. A list of providers who offer on-the-spot claiming is available on our website, [defencehealth.com.au/extrasprovider](https://defencehealth.com.au/extrasprovider)

If your provider doesn't offer on-the-spot claiming you can:

- claim through Online Member Services (for most services) at [defencehealth.com.au/members](https://defencehealth.com.au/members)
- claim on your smartphone through our Mobile Claiming App
- download and complete a claim form from our website, and either:
  - email it with your receipts to [claims@defencehealth.com.au](mailto:claims@defencehealth.com.au)
  - fax it and your receipts to 1800 241 581
  - post it and a copy of the account to us: Defence Health, PO Box 7518, Melbourne, Victoria, 3004

Please hold onto your receipts for 2 years.

## Claiming conditions

The most common claiming conditions are:

- All services must be provided by an approved practitioner in private practice
- Claims must be lodged within 2 years of receiving the service
- Benefits are only payable on goods and services purchased in Australia. When purchasing eligible items online the supplier must be recognised and a registered Australian provider or company
- Benefits are not payable when they can be claimed from another source such as workers compensation, Department of Veterans' Affairs or third party insurance
- Extras benefits are not payable where Medicare has been or is available to be claimed.

We recognise all extras providers who are registered with their professional body and in the case of approved alternative therapies, those recognised by the Australian Regional Health Group. Remedial massage providers must also hold at least a Diploma of Remedial Massage to be recognised.

If you are unsure whether a practitioner is registered with us, just give us a call on 1800 335 425.

Full claiming conditions are available on our website at [defencehealth.com.au/claim](https://defencehealth.com.au/claim)

## Extras waiting periods

When you join Defence Health or upgrade your existing cover, you may have a waiting period before you can claim new or higher benefits. Treatment received during the waiting period cannot be claimed.

Cover for an accident is immediate, including for ambulance services.

Remember, if you transfer within 60 days from an equivalent level of cover with another health fund you won't have to re-serve the waiting periods you've already completed. If you have a break in cover greater than 60 days you will have to re-serve all waiting periods.



# Our commitment to you

## Our values

Our purpose is to support you, the members of the ADF and wider Defence community to manage your personal and family health care.



### Trust

We will earn your trust by consistently delivering a personal experience for your needs. We are as good as our word – every time.



### Excellence

Our people are proud to serve you. We will provide service and experience others won't, or can't. We actively seek ways to continuously improve our offer to you.



### Ownership

We're part of the ADF family. We accept responsibility, act with initiative, and follow through. We won't let you down.



### Respect

We are friendly people, here to help you make good choices. We listen with intent and offer clear explanations, to provide you with peace of mind and support.



### Community

We're here for people, not profit. We are committed to making a positive difference to the health and wellbeing of the Defence community.

## Your privacy is important to us

Defence Health has a legal obligation to comply with the Commonwealth *Privacy Act 1988* and the Australian Privacy Principles. The Defence Health privacy statement informs you about how your personal information will be collected, held, used and disclosed, how you may gain access and seek correction of that information, and how you may complain about possible breaches of privacy. A copy of the full Privacy Policy is available at [defencehealth.com.au/privacy](https://defencehealth.com.au/privacy). We will always endeavour to collect your personal information directly from you, but in some circumstances, for instance where you are a dependant on the policy, we will collect your personal information from the policy holder.

We will generally collect and use your information to approve your transactions/claims, to provide services you have requested and to inform you of products, benefits and services we think may be of interest to you.

We may use or disclose your personal information for another purpose, but only if we have your prior consent, or we are required to do so to fulfil our obligations as a private health insurer, or for any other reasonably expected purpose related to the provision of your health benefits. For example, we may disclose your information to other service providers we have arrangements with or who provide services to us, or where otherwise permitted or required by law.

Policy holders will have access to certain personal information about dependants on the policy. Policy holders have an obligation to make dependants aged 16 years and over aware that they may contact us if they do not wish us to share their personal information with the policy holder or others on the policy.

If you do not provide the information requested or do not consent to us requesting it from third parties, we may be unable to provide our health benefit services or discounts to you.

Our full Privacy Policy is available at [defencehealth.com.au/privacy](https://defencehealth.com.au/privacy) or you can call us on 1800 335 425 for a copy.

## We value your feedback

Compliments or complaints can be made by phone on 1800 335 425 or to [info@defencehealth.com.au](mailto:info@defencehealth.com.au)

If we are unable to satisfy you, you can contact the Commonwealth Ombudsman on 1300 362 072 or at [phio.info@ombudsman.gov.au](mailto:phio.info@ombudsman.gov.au). The Ombudsman provides free information and assistance to resolve disputes.

You can view more information at [www.ombudsman.gov.au/making-a-complaint/contact-us](http://www.ombudsman.gov.au/making-a-complaint/contact-us)

## Defence Health Fund Rules

Your cover will be provided and benefits paid in accordance with the Fund Rules of Defence Health Limited. You can download a copy of the latest Fund Rules from [defencehealth.com.au/fund-rules](https://defencehealth.com.au/fund-rules) or call us and we'll send you one.

This Product Guide is current as at 1 October 2020, and is subject to change.

It should be read carefully and retained.

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## Code of conduct

We are committed to the Private Health Insurance Code of Conduct.

You can download a copy of the code at [defencehealth.com.au](https://defencehealth.com.au)

