

MyMedicare Is Voluntary

You can decide to register if you wish to do so, My Medicare aims to formalise the relationship between you as a patient and your general practice, general practitioner (GP) and your primary care teams.

Registering with MyMedicare will tell your general practice:

- that you see them as your regular doctor, and this will help them to provide you with better care.
- access longer telephone telehealth consultations.

Why register for MyMedicare?

By registering as a patient of your chosen general practice and selecting a preferred GP, additional funding will be made available by the government to assist your primary care team deliver the care you need.

The funding will enable your general practice:

- or GP to provide you with longer funded telehealth consultations and bulk bill longer telehealth consultations.
- for people with chronic disease who visit hospital frequently, connections to more appropriate care in general practice, from mid-2024.

How will MyMedicare Benefit you?

Telehealth appointments improve access to healthcare. They are a convenient way for all patients to schedule appointments with their GP while reducing travel time, travel expenses and waiting times.

Longer funded telehealth consultations:

- for people seeking treatment for mental health concerns
- people with disability or reduced mobility
- older Australians
- people in rural or remote Australia who are not located close to their GP.

You're eligible to register:

- if you've had 2 or more face-to-face appointments at your regular practice in the past 24 months or one face-to-face visit for practices in remote locations.
- People who are facing hardship will be exempt from all eligibility requirements. This includes people experiencing domestic and family violence and homelessness.
- Parents/guardians and children can be registered at the same practice, if either is eligible and registered.
- A parent/guardian must register a child under 14 years and provide consent on their behalf and this registration will need to be completed at the practice.
- Young people aged 14 to 17 years can register and provide consent without a parent/guardian.

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