

Supplementary Material

Use and cost of Medicare Benefits Schedule and Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme services following inpatient rehabilitation for acquired disability in Australia

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Table S1. Medicare Benefits Schedule data categories

Category	MBS item category details
Allied health, excluding psychology	Includes: (1) Group <i>M3 Allied health services</i> subgroup listed under ‘Category 8: Miscellaneous services’ and (2) Group <i>A7 Acupuncture and Non-Specialist Practitioner</i> from ‘Category 1: Professional attendances’.
Psychology services	Includes: (1) Groups <i>M6 Psychological Therapy Services</i> and <i>M7 Focussed Psychological Strategies</i> from ‘Category 8: Miscellaneous services’ and (2) Group <i>A8 Consultant Psychiatrist</i> from ‘Category 1: Professional attendances’.
Diagnostic procedures and investigations	All MBS items under (1) ‘Category 2: Diagnostic procedures and investigations’ and (2) ‘Category 5: Diagnostic imaging services’. Also includes Group <i>M15 Diagnostic Audiology Services</i> from the ‘Category 8: Miscellaneous services’.
General practitioner	All MBS items under ‘Category 1: Professional attendances’ that are exclusively provided by a general practitioner. Includes all levels of consultation (‘A’, ‘B’, ‘C’ which reflect different consultation durations), mental health plans, health assessments, after hours attendances, multidisciplinary care plans, and general practitioner attendances at residential aged care facilities.
Medical practitioner	All MBS items under ‘Category 1: Professional attendances’ where the practitioner is not exclusively specified as either a general practitioner or a specialist (except where subgroups are specified elsewhere).
Nurse	Exclusively Group <i>M12 Services provided by a Practice Nurse or Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner on Behalf of a Medical Practitioner</i> from ‘Category 8: Miscellaneous services’.
Optometric	Exclusively Group <i>A10 Optometric Consultations</i> from ‘Category 1: Professional attendances’.
Pathology services	All MBS items under ‘Category 6: Pathology services’.
Specialist	All MBS items under ‘Category 1: Professional attendances’ that are exclusively performed by a specialist. Includes specialist, consultant physician, emergency physician, pain and palliative medicine and neurosurgery attendances.
Therapeutic procedures	All MBS items under ‘Category 3: Therapeutic procedures’.

Note. There were no services for the following MBS categories: ‘Category 4: Oral and maxillofacial services’ and ‘Category 7: Cleft lip and cleft palate services’.

Table S2. Five most prevalent Pharamaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) dispensed medications

Injury type			
Acquired brain injury (n=85)		Spinal cord injury (n=68)	
Medication name	% of total prescriptions (n=2,662)	Medication name	% of total prescriptions (n=3,354)
Levetiracetam	2.9%	Pregabalin	5.4%
Pantoprazole	2.4%	Oxycodone	5.1%
Atorvastatin	2.0%	Baclofen	3.8%
Pregabalin	1.7%	Pantoprazole	2.4%
Oxycodone	1.7%	Cefalexin	1.5%