

Online Eligibility Checks (OEC, ECM, ECF and ECO)

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There are a number of eligibility checks available.

Check	Purpose	Availability
ECM - Eligibility Check Medicare - Medicare check	Used by hospitals, day surgeries and medical providers to determine whether Medicare covers the patient, and which Medicare benefits are payable for inpatient medical services.	Estimates
ECF - Eligibility Check Fund - PHI check	Used by hospitals and day surgeries to find out whether the patient is eligible for a selected presenting illness/condition on the admission date. This check provides the out-of-pocket expenses for excess, exclusions and co-payments associated with the patient's hospital product.	Pre-admissions Assessments
OEC - Online Eligibility Check - Medicare and PHI check	Used by hospitals, day surgeries and medical providers to determine whether the patient is eligible for a selected presenting illness/condition on the admission date. It provides the out-of-pocket expenses for excess, exclusions and co-payments associated with the patient's hospital product, and the Medicare and the private health insurer benefits payable for the medical services. Note: This is effectively a combined call for the above two datasets.	Not available (Nov 2022)

ECO - Eligibility Check Overseas - PHI check	Used by hospitals and day surgeries to find out whether the patient who is an overseas visitor is eligible for a selected presenting illness/condition on the admission date. This check provides the out-of-pocket expenses for excess, exclusions and co-payments associated with the patient's hospital product.	Not available (Nov 2022)
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CareRight has the ability to complete an Online Eligibility Check (OEC) for a patient. This can assist hospitals and day surgeries in determining the patient's eligibility for a service/s and any out-of-pocket expenses for care. Before a Patient Eligibility Check can be performed, consent must be obtained from the patient or a legally authorized representative.

The OEC will determine whether the patient is eligible for a selected presenting illness/condition as of the admission date. It will detail the **out-of-pocket expenses** a patient has for **excess** and **co-payments** associated with the hospital product.

The OEC process utilizes the Medicare online claiming process. The results presented are in accordance with the Medicare specifications. It does not produce an Informed Financial Consent (IFC) form. The OEC can be performed as part of the Pre-admission process.

Note: Please note OEC is user permission-based functionality Only users with *Can create OEC* and *IFC* can perform this.

+ Performing an Eligibility Check Fund (ECF) during Pre-Admission