Items with a Derived Fee (MBS)

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The MBS defines a number of items where a provider might see multiple patients, where the fee is derived from another factor such as number of patients seen.

Related topic: Items With Unit Modifier

Example: https://wwwg.health.gov.au/mbs/fullDisplay.cfm?type=item&q=5049&qt=item

Medicare Benefits Schedule - Item 5049

Search Results for Item 5049

View Associated Notes

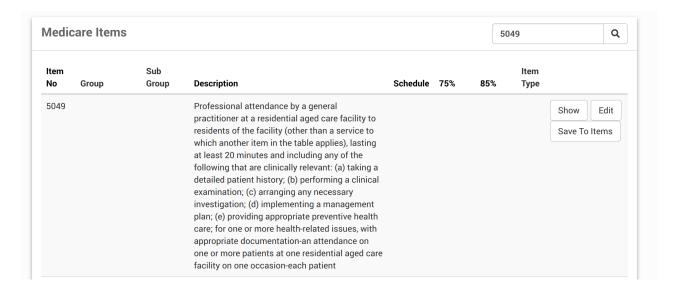
Cat	egory 1 - PROFESSIONAL ATTENDANCES			
Group	A22 - General Practitioner After-Hours Attendances To Which No Other Item Applies			
Subheading	3 - Level C			
Professional attendance by a general practitioner at a residential aged care facility to residents of the facility (other than a service to which another item in the table applies), lasting at least 20 minute and including any of the following that are clinically relevant:				
(c) arranging any necessary investigation;				
(d) implementing a management plan;				
for one or more health-related issues, with appropriate documentation-an attendance on one or more patients at one residential aged care facility on one occasion-each patient				
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MBS Items with this behaviour as of 1st Nov 2024 include:

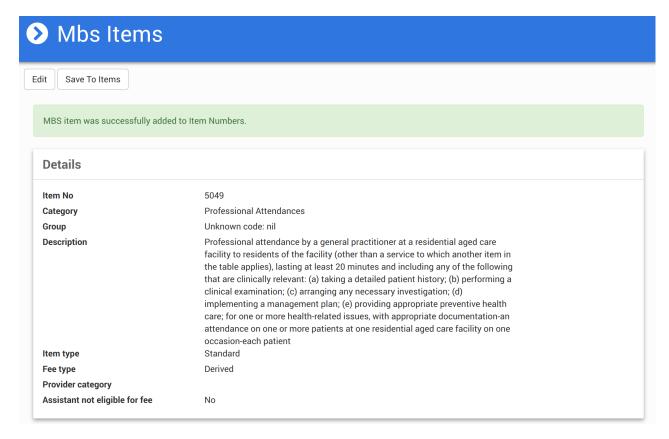
- Professional Attendances at an Institution: 4, 24, 37, 47, 58, 59, 60, 65, 5003, 5023, 5043, 5063, 5220, 5223, 5227, 5228
- Attendances at a Residential Aged Care Facility: 5010, 5028, 5049, 5067, 5260, 5263, 5265, 5267
- Others: 294

Configuration

If you have not done so already, via **Admin > Accounting > MBS Items**, search for and *Save to Items* the relevant item number.



This will ensure that the system recognises your item as a **Derived fee type** when invoicing.



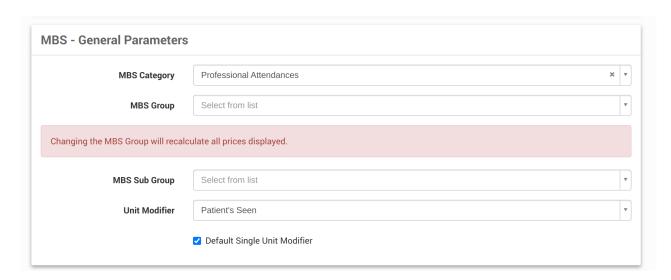
Importantly, you will need to change the item type to **Fixed Fee** and specify the parent item has a **Default Single Unit Modifier** before continuing.

Admin > Items > Search > (Your item, ie 5049) > Edit

Set the Fee Type

Status	MBS Number	▼
	☐ GST Applicable/Taxable Supply	
	☐ Partial GST Liability	
Fee Type	Fixed Fee	•

Set the Default Single Unit Modifier (only on the initial item)



Next, look up the specific pricing via the MBS. You will often see a link to the Ready Reckoner.

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Ready Reckoner

Ready Reckoner Calculator

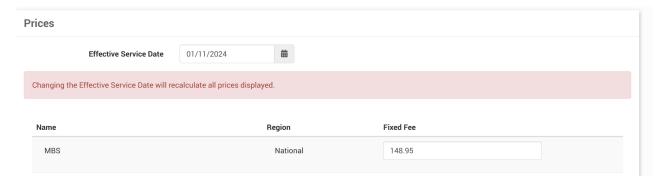
Ready Reckoner

After-hours GP Attendances at a residential aged care facility

Level C (Item 5049)

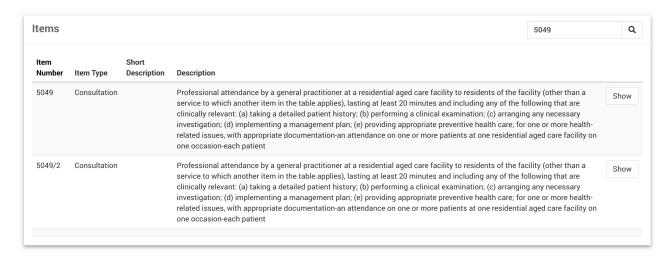
Patients	Schedule Fee	Benefit 100%
One	\$148.95	\$148.95
Two	\$122.30	\$122.30
Three	\$113.45	\$113.45
Four	\$109.00	\$109.00
Five	\$106.35	\$106.35
Six	\$104.55	\$104.55
Seven+	\$99.50	\$99.50

For the first item, key in the schedule fees for one patient.



Repeat this process, creating items with a "/" and the number of patients. IE: 5049/2 for two patients.

Importantly, you do not need to tick "Default single unit modifier" -this is only required so that your item 5049 reports as 5049/1 or "one patient".



Key in the pricing for the relevant number of patients.