

Magnetic Resonance Imaging Medicare Eligible Services

At some Queensland X-ray practices, a Medicare rebate is available for certain specified indications, on a specialist referral only. Full payment is required at the time of the appointment. Health Care card holders and pensioners will be bulk billed.

For other indications that do not meet the following criteria, or GP/Physio/Chiro referrals, the patient will be responsible for the total procedure fee.

HEAD

Unlimited referrals

- Tumour of the brain or meninges
- Inflammation of the brain or meninges
- Skull base or orbital tumour
- Stereotactic scan of brain

Benefits payable for each service on 3 occasions in 12 months

- Acoustic neuroma
- Pituitary tumour
- Toxic or metabolic or ischaemic encephalopathy
- Demyelinating disease of the brain
- Congenital malformation of the brain or meninges
- Venous sinus thrombosis
- Head trauma
- Epilepsy
- Stroke
- Carotid or vertebral artery dissection
- Intracranial aneurysm
- Intracranial arteriovenous malformation

HEAD AND NECK VESSELS

Benefits payable for each service on 3 occasions in 12 months

- MRI/MRA of extra and/or intracranial circulation for stroke

HEAD AND CERVICAL SPINE

Unlimited referrals

- Tumour of the CNS or meninges
- Inflammation of the CNS or meninges

Benefits payable for each service on 3 occasions in 12 months

- Demyelinating disease of the CNS
- Congenital malformation of the CNS and meninges
- Syring (congenital or acquired)

SPINE - one region or two contiguous regions

Unlimited referrals

- Infection
- Tumour

Benefits payable for each service on 3 occasions in 12 months

- Demyelinating disease
- Congenital malformation of the spinal cord or the cauda equina or the meninges
- Myelopathy
- Syring (congenital or acquired)
- Cervical radiculopathy
- Sciatica
- Spinal canal stenosis
- Previous spinal surgery
- Trauma

SPINE - three contiguous or two non-contiguous regions

Unlimited referrals

- Infection
- Tumour

Benefits payable for each service on 3 occasions in 12 months

- Demyelinating disease
- Congenital malformation of the spinal cord or the cauda equina or the meninges
- Myelopathy
- Syring (congenital or acquired)
- Cervical radiculopathy
- Sciatica
- Spinal canal stenosis
- Previous spinal surgery
- Trauma

CERVICAL SPINE AND BRACHIAL PLEXUS

Benefits payable for each service on 3 occasions in 12 months

- Tumour
- Trauma
- Cervical radiculopathy
- Previous surgery

MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM

Unlimited referrals

- Tumour arising in bone or musculoskeletal system, this excludes tumours arising in breast, prostate or rectum
- Infection arising in bone or musculoskeletal system, this excludes tumours arising in breast, prostate or rectum
- Osteonecrosis

Benefits payable for each service on 3 occasions in 12 months

- Derangement of hip or its supporting structures
- Derangement of shoulder etc
- Derangement of knee etc
- Derangement of ankle and/or foot etc
- Derangement of one or both TMJs etc
- Derangement of wrist and/or hand etc
- Derangement of elbow etc

Benefits payable for each service on 2 occasions in 12 months

- Gaucher disease

CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM

Benefits payable for each service on 2 occasions in 12 months

- Congenital disease of the heart or a great vessel
- Tumour of the heart or a great vessel
- Abnormality of the thoracic aorta

Benefits payable for each service on 3 occasions in 12 months

- MRA for vascular abnormality in a patient with a previous anaphylactic reaction to iodinated contrast medium
- MRA for obstruction of the superior vena cava, inferior vena cava or a major pelvic vein

BODY

Benefits payable for each service on 1 occasion in 12 months

- Adrenal mass in a patient with a malignancy which is otherwise resectable

PELVIS AND UPPER ABDOMEN

Benefits payable on 1 occasion only

- Pelvis for the staging of histologically diagnosed cervical cancer at FIGO stages 1B or greater
- Pelvis and upper abdomen, in a single examination, for the staging of histologically diagnosed cervical cancer at FIGO stages 1B or greater
- Pelvis for the initial staging of rectal cancer
- Magnetic Resonance Cholangiopancreatography (MRCP) for suspected biliary or pancreatic pathology

PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF 16 YEARS

Benefits payable for each service on 1 occasion in 12 months

- MRA for the vasculature of limbs prior to limb or digit transfer surgery in congenital limb deficiency syndrome

Benefits payable for each service on 2 occasions in 12 months, for previously diagnosed conditions

- Post-inflammatory or post-traumatic physal fusion
- Gaucher disease

Unlimited referrals

- Pelvic or abdominal mass
- Mediastinal mass
- Congenital uterine or anorectal abnormality may attract

For further information please contact your local Queensland X-Ray Magnetic Resonance Imaging Practice:

*Mater Private Hospital (Sth Brisbane)	3847 9243
*Greenslopes Private Hospital	3847 9243
Coorparoo	3456 3100
St Vincent's Hospital (Toowoomba)	
Mater Private Hospital (Mackay)	4965 6200
Mater Private Hospital (Townsville)	4759 2800
*Cairns Private Hospital	4046 7826

* indicates practices where MRI procedures May attract a Medicare rebate

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