

Bone Mineral Densitometry Assessment

Are your patients eligible for a rebate?

The government has set strict, complex rules that apply to rebates for bone mineral densitometry. Unfortunately, not all patients are eligible for a Medicare or DVA rebate. To be eligible for a rebate, patients must meet one of the following criteria:

Item number	Description
12323 <i>Time since previous bone mineral densitometry scan is not relevant.</i>	If performed for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A person aged 70 years or over.
12306 <i>Must be at least 24 months since any previous bone mineral densitometry scan.</i>	If performed for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1 or more fractures occurring after minimal trauma (this can only be used once for each fracture); or ▪ Monitoring of osteoporosis proven by previous bone densitometry; ▪ Scan at least 2 years prior with Z score of -1.50 or lower, or T score of -2.50 or lower.
12312 <i>Must be at least 12 months since any previous bone mineral densitometry scan.</i>	If performed for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Prolonged & current glucocorticoid therapy (as per dose limits outlined in the MBS); ▪ Conditions associated with excess glucocorticoid secretion; ▪ Male hypogonadism; or ▪ Female hypogonadism lasting more than 6 months before the age of 45.
12315 <i>Must be at least 24 months since any previous bone mineral densitometry scan.</i>	If performed for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Primary hyperparathyroidism; ▪ Chronic liver disease; ▪ Chronic renal disease; ▪ Proven malabsorptive disorders (eg. Coeliac or Crohn's disease); ▪ Rheumatoid arthritis; or ▪ Conditions associated with thyroxine excess.
12321 <i>Must be at least 12 months since any previous bone mineral densitometry scan.</i>	If performed 12 months following a significant change in therapy.

Please indicate the appropriate item number and description on the referral form. If your patient complies with one of the above criteria a small gap fee will apply. If your patient does not comply with the above criteria a fee will apply and is payable at the time of the appointment.

Please contact our practice if you require further information.

Bone Mineral Densitometry is available at the following Queensland X-Ray practices:

Brisbane

Beenleigh (105 City Road)	Ph: 3382 4944
Coorparoo (342 Old Cleveland Road)	Ph: 3456 3100
Greenslopes Private Hospital	Ph: 3421 0444
Mater Private Hospital Redland	Ph: 3286 6466
Mater Women's Diagnostic Centre	Ph: 3840 6208
Sunnybank Women's Diagnostic Centre	Ph: 3347 2755
Wynnum (101 Clara Street)	Ph: 3348 7455

Regions

Southport	Ph: 5581 0920
Toowoomba (125 Russell Street)	Ph: 4690 3300
Mater Hospital, Mackay	Ph: 4695 6200
Park Haven, Townsville	Ph: 4720 8500
Cairns Private Hospital	Ph: 4046 7800



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