

## MRI eligibility for General Practitioners

UNDER 16 years of age	OVER 16 years of age
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Scan of head for*:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unexplained seizure(s)</li> <li>• Unexplained headache where significant pathology is suspected</li> <li>• Paranasal sinus pathology which has not responded to conservative therapy</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>2. Scan of spine following radiographic examination for*:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Significant trauma</li> <li>• Unexplained neck or back pain with associated neurological signs</li> <li>• Unexplained back pain where significant pathology is suspected</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>3. Scan of knee* for:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Internal derangement</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>4. Scan of hip following radiographic examination for:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suspected septic arthritis</li> <li>• Suspected slipped capital femoral epiphysis</li> <li>• Suspected Perthes disease</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>5. Scan of elbow</b> following radiographic examination where a significant fracture of avulsion injury is suspected which will change management</li> <li><b>6. Scan of wrist</b> following radiographic examination where scaphoid fracture is suspected</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Scan of head for*:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unexplained seizure(s)</li> <li>• Unexplained chronic headache with suspected intracranial pathology</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>2. Scan of cervical spine for*:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suspected cervical radiculopathy</li> <li>• Suspected cervical spine trauma</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>3. Scan of knee following acute trauma with* (50 years and over, not eligible):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inability to extend the knee suggesting the possibility of acute meniscal tear</li> <li>• Clinical findings suggesting acute anterior cruciate ligament tear</li> </ul> </li> </ol> <p><b>*3 services per 12 months</b></p> <p><b>Medicare eligibility for GP-referred MRI examinations for PIP implants:</b></p> <p>Scan of one or both breasts for the evaluation of implant integrity where patient is known or suspected of having a silicone breast implant, manufactured by Poly Implant Prosthèse (PIP)</p>

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