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Can a care planning item (MBS items 721-732) be billed on the same day as a consultation item to the same patient by the same provider?

Clarification

This APS was developed as a result of uncertainty about whether a care planning item (MBS items 721–732) can be billed on the same day as a consultation.

A care planning item (721-732) can be billed on the same day as a consultation item for the same patient by the same provider. This is reflected in the 1 May 2010 Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) amendments.

What does the item descriptor say?

See MBS Items 721-732 at www.mbsonline.gov.au

What do the Medicare Explanatory Notes Say?

The Medicare Explanatory Notes were amended on 1 May 2010, removing the requirement to notate the patient's invoice or Medicare voucher when a separate consultation is undertaken in conjunction with a GMPM or TCA on the same day to the same patient by the same provider.

Application of this draft APS

As a result of MBS changes, an APS is no longer required.