



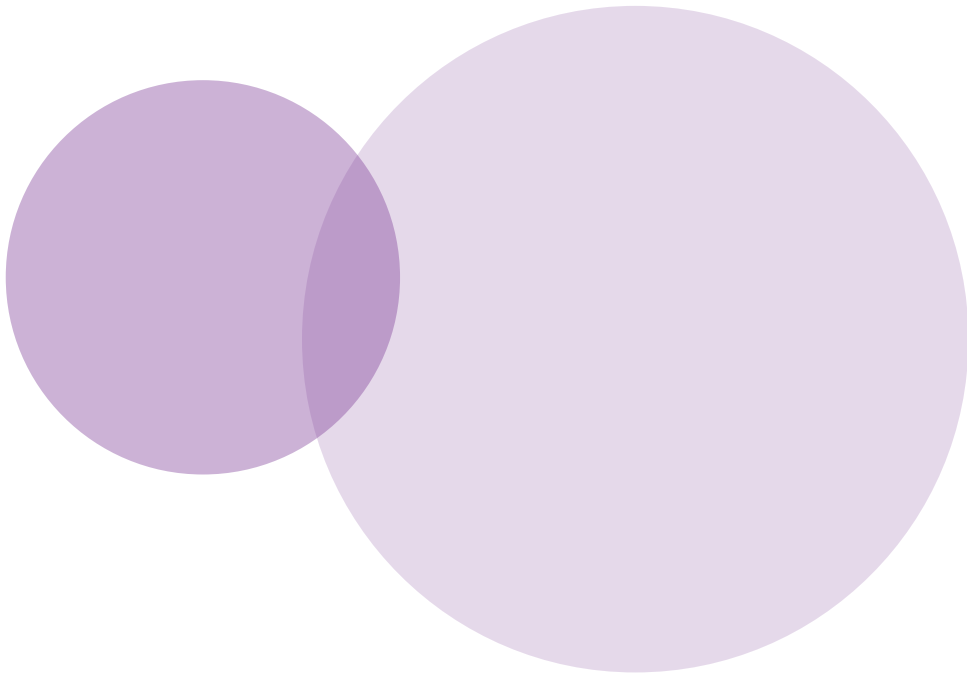
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# Premium Extras cover

As at 1 July 2024

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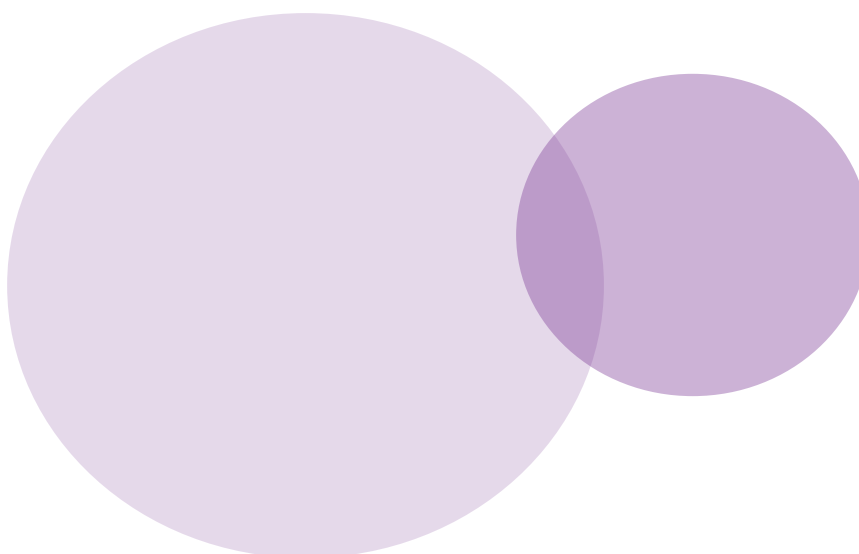
## Premium Extras Cover (as at 1 July 2024)

Benefits are rebated at **90%** of the fee charged for each service/item, up to the maximum benefit payable. Item numbers have been shown where possible to help members calculate rebates. There may be additional rules when claiming the below services/items, please contact the fund prior to the service so you can find out the exact benefit amount available to you.

All multiple year benefits (2 years and over) are calculated on a rolling year basis, from the date of service (instead of calendar year). Multiple year benefits (2 years and over) are divided over that period of time, with lifetime limits being paid over 5 years. For example: with a lifetime limit of \$1,350, \$270 is payable each year for 5 years. All rolling years incur a benefit limitation period.

Service		Benefit Limit (per person) *
<b>DENTAL</b>		
<b>General dental</b>		No annual limit
<b>Major dental*</b>	Surgery	\$6500 in any 5 rolling years After 1 year - \$1,300 After 2 years - \$2,600 After 3 years - \$3,900 After 4 years - \$5,200 After 5 years - \$6,500
	Crown and bridges	\$6000 in any 5 rolling years After 1 year - \$1,200 After 2 years - \$2,400 After 3 years - \$3,600 After 4 years - \$4,800 After 5 years - \$6,000
	Dentures	\$2500 in any 5 rolling years After 1 year - \$500 After 2 years - \$1,000 After 3 years - \$1,500 After 4 years - \$2,000 After 5 years - \$2,500
<b>Endodontic</b>		\$1,700 in any 2 rolling years After 1 year - \$850 After 2 years - \$1,700
<b>Orthodontic</b>		\$4,450 lifetime limit After 1 year - \$890 After 2 years - \$1,780 After 3 years - \$2,670 After 4 years - \$3,560 After 5 years - \$4,450

\*Sub limits may apply (contact the fund for the full list of benefits)



## Optical and miscellaneous benefits

Except where otherwise indicated, benefits are rebated at **90%** of the fee charged for each service/item up to the maximum benefit shown.

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Service		Benefit Limit (per person) *	
<b>OPTICAL</b>			
<b>Glasses</b>	<b>Glasses - frames (A)</b>	\$180 \$360	after 1 year after 2 years
	<b>Glasses - lenses, single vision (A)</b>	\$185 \$370	after 1 year after 2 years
	<b>Glasses - lenses, bifocal (A)</b>	\$200 \$400	after 1 year after 2 years
	<b>Glasses - lenses, multifocal (A)</b>	\$280 \$560	after 1 year after 2 years
<b>Contact lenses</b>	<b>Contact lenses - toric (A)</b>	\$450 \$900	after 1 year after 2 years
	<b>Contact lenses - other (A)</b>	\$450 \$900	after 1 year after 2 years
<b>Orthoptic treatment and eye therapy</b> , when referred by a registered optometrist or ophthalmologist			
- initial/extended consultation		\$95	per visit
- subsequent consultation		\$73	per visit
<b>Excimer laser treatment</b>		\$270 \$540 \$810 \$1,080 \$1,350	<i>\$2,700 lifetime limit (\$1,350 per eye)</i> after 1 year, per eye after 2 years, per eye after 3 years, per eye after 4 years, per eye after 5 years, per eye
<b>MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES</b>			
<b>Acupuncture (D)</b>			
- initial/extended consultation		\$80	per visit
- subsequent consultation		\$55	per visit
<b>Antenatal classes</b>		\$260	In any 1 calendar year
<b>Ambulance (F)</b> - note: ambulance subscriptions not rebateable			100% of the cost, no annual limit
<b>Health aids (D)</b> - when prescribed		\$1,040	In any 3 rolling years
<b>Chiropody/Podiatry (D)</b>			
- initial/extended consultation		\$80	per visit
- subsequent consultation		\$57	per visit
- diagnostic services		\$70	each item
- podiatry surgery (non Medicare rebateable)		\$200	each item
<b>Chiropractic/Osteopathy (D)</b>			
- initial/extended consultation		\$80	per visit
- subsequent consultation		\$60	per visit
<b>Chiropractic/Osteopathy x-rays</b>		\$140	Limit of \$300 in any 1 calendar year each occasion
<b>CPAP machine</b>		\$360 \$720 \$1,080 \$1,440 \$1,800	Limit of \$1,800 in any 5 rolling years after 1 year after 2 years after 3 years after 4 years after 5 years
<b>Diabetic supplies</b>		\$500	In any 1 calendar year
<b>Dietician (D)</b>			
- initial/extended consultation		\$107	per visit
- subsequent consultation		\$65	per visit

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Service	Benefit Limit (per person) *	
<b>Health Screening</b>	\$610	In any 3 rolling years
<b>Health Management Programs</b> - Fitness programs - Improvement programs	\$200 \$200	<i>Limit of \$200 in any 1 calendar year</i>
<b>Hearing aids (D)</b> - when prescribed	\$1,088 \$2,176 \$3,264 \$4,352 \$5,440	<i>Limit of \$5,440 in any 5 rolling years (\$2,720 per ear)</i> after 1 year after 2 years after 3 years after 4 years after 5 years
<b>Home nursing</b> - visits to a home by a registered nurse	\$1,500	In any 1 calendar year
<b>IVF treatment</b> - the RBHS rebates 90% of non-Medicare costs	\$560 \$1,120 \$1,680 \$2,240 \$2,800	<i>\$2,800 lifetime limit</i> after 1 year after 2 years after 3 years after 4 years after 5 years
<b>Mammography</b> - not covered by Medicare	\$210	In any 2 rolling years
<b>Complementary Therapies*</b> (D) - includes remedial massage, myotherapy, Chinese medicine consult and hydrotherapy  - initial/extended consultation - subsequent consultation	\$82 \$64	<i>Limit of \$850 in any 1 calendar year</i>  per visit per visit
<b>Occupational therapy (D)</b> - initial/extended consultation - subsequent consultation	\$97 \$80	<i>Limit of \$790 in any 1 calendar year</i> per visit per visit
<b>Outpatient theatre fee</b> - clinic	\$1,000	<i>No annual limit</i>
<b>Patient support accomodation (E)</b>	\$60	<i>Limit of \$550 in any 1 calendar year</i> per day
<b>Physiotherapy (D)</b> - initial/extended consultation - subsequent consultation - group physiotherapy	\$82 \$62 \$25	<i>Limit of \$1,000 in any 1 calendar year</i> per visit per visit per visit
<b>Medical devices and human tissue products</b> - non-surgically implanted (H)	90% of the cost.	<i>Limit of \$5,000 in any 1 calendar year.</i> <i>*(Sub-Limit - no more than 2 medical devices and human tissue product wigs per limit year).</i>
<b>Medical devices and human tissue products</b> - ex gratia (C)		Set by legislation
<b>Psychologist (D)</b>	\$170	<i>Limit of \$920 in any 1 calendar year</i> per visit
<b>Serum and vaccine</b>	90% of the cost	<i>No annual limit</i>
<b>Social worker (D)</b>	\$53	<i>Limit of \$500 in any 1 calendar year</i> per visit
<b>Speech therapy (D)</b>	\$103	<i>Limit of \$1,000 in any 1 calendar year</i> per visit

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## Pharmaceuticals and miscellaneous medicines

- The RBHS will pay benefits for prescriptions where the medication is not available under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) and when the medication is only available on prescription. The RBHS does not cover products available over the counter in the normal course.
- For each item prescribed and each repeat, the member is required to pay the equivalent of the maximum PBS cost. The PBS amount changes on 1 January every year. Further details on the PBS are available at [pbs.gov.au](http://pbs.gov.au). The RBHS will pay 100% of the remaining cost up to a benefit of \$160.00.

Item description	Maximum benefit \$	
<b>Pharmaceuticals and miscellaneous medicines</b>		
<b>Pharmaceuticals and miscellaneous medicines</b> - per script (in excess of the PBS amount)	\$160	<i>Limit of \$1,000 in any 1 calendar year</i>

## Notes

Please keep in mind that each service has a limit and waiting periods may apply.

- (A) When prescribed by a registered optometrist or ophthalmologist. The cost of repairs may also be claimed under this item.
- (B) This benefit is payable in respect of a particular illness or condition requiring treatment of the patient at home for which the services of a registered nurse, as directed by a medical practitioner, are necessary.
- (C) Rebated at the maximum benefit level set by legislation.
- (D) Under the Private Health Insurance Accreditation Rules, the RBHS must comply with guidelines in relation to provider registration standards. We are able to pay on providers that have a current registration with Medicare or the Australian Regional Health Group (ARHG). If you are unsure, please ask your provider if they are registered with either of these groups.
- (E) Rebated at 90% of the fee charged for each service/item up to the maximum benefit payable.
- (F) Rebated at 100% of the fee charged for each trip, including non-emergency travel, transfer between hospitals, travel in a private ambulance and air travel when authorised by a doctor.
- (G) When accompanied by a doctor's certificate stating that the machine is required for a specific ailment or condition.
- (H) Items not included on Government's Medical Device and Human Tissue Product List - rebated as per Australian Health Services Alliance (AHSA) recommendations and/or individual Board approval.
- (I) Rolling year limits are based on date of first service once benefit limitation periods have been served.

## Waiting periods and continuity of cover

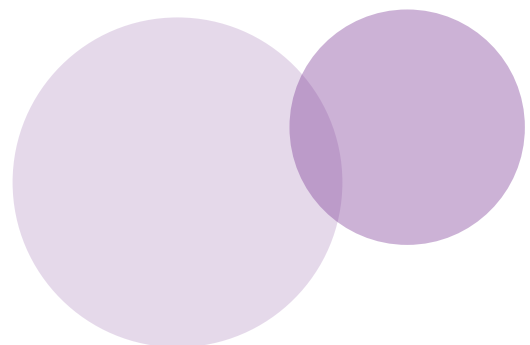
All health funds have waiting periods to protect members by encouraging people to maintain their health cover.

A waiting period is a length of time applied to each new health cover and also applies when cover is upgraded. During this period, benefits are generally not payable.

The RBHS will provide continuity of cover for anyone transferring from another registered Australian health fund or changing from another RBHS product provided that an equivalent or a higher level of cover was held. To be eligible for continuity of cover the transferring health cover must be financial and a Transfer Certificate must be provided by the previous health fund. If you have served part of your waiting periods with your previous health fund, you will receive waiting period credits when you transfer to RBHS for the portion you have already served.

The following table outlines waiting periods for Premium Extras cover. For more information on waiting periods, Transfer Certificates or continuity of cover, please call us on **1800 027 299** or email [info@myrbhs.com.au](mailto:info@myrbhs.com.au).

Premium Extras services	Months
Ambulance	2
Physiotherapy	
Chiropractic & osteopath	
General dental	
Approved health management programs	
Optical & laser eye	12
Major dental	
Health aids (including Orthotics) & screening	
Mammography	



**Please note that not all items are listed and other waiting periods may apply. For a complete list of services and their waiting periods, please visit [myrbhs.com.au](http://myrbhs.com.au).**

## Limits

For some benefits, there is a limit on the total amount the RBHS will pay each year. Benefits that can be claimed only once a year are renewed on 1 January each year.

The two, three and five-yearly benefits are determined from the date the service is first provided. We recommend that you check with us before your service date to ensure that you will be covered. The 'service date' is defined as the date of treatment or receipt of an item.

Members planning any comprehensive and expensive health care should get a quote from the provider, including item numbers and associated costs, and ask us for details of the benefit(s) payable.

## How to claim

### Making an Extras claim

- **Mobile app** - The RBHS mobile app makes claiming even easier for members, offering quick and easy claiming.
- **Electronic** - Just swipe your membership card at the time of service, sign for the service to validate the claim and pay the gap (if applicable). This means that you do not need to lodge a claim manually, as the RBHS pays your benefit directly to the practitioner.
- **Mail or fax** - Simply complete a claim form, attach all accounts and/or receipts and

**Post to:** Reserve Bank Health Society Ltd  
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**Fax to:** 1300 309 704

- **Email** - Complete a claim form online or scan your completed claim form and a copy of all accounts and/or receipts and email them to [info@myrbhs.com.au](mailto:info@myrbhs.com.au).

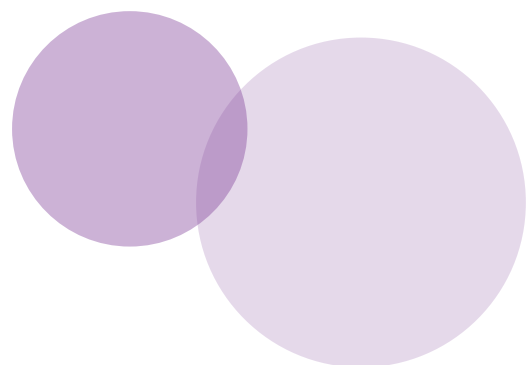


## Online Member Services

With our member self-service you can manage your membership when and how it suits you: download the mobile app on your smart phone, or log in using your browser, it's your choice.

Self-service features include:

- Quick and easy claiming
- Manage your cover details, including contact and payments
- Check your remaining extras benefit limits or view the clinical categories you are covered for under your hospital cover.
- View your claims history
- Access member communications through the secure inbox
- Safely upload important documents when needed
- Manage Medicare card details and update your income tier when needed
- Order a new membership card.



## Code of Conduct

This Code was developed by Private Healthcare Australia (PHA) and HIRMAA (representing restricted and regional health funds). As well as promoting improved standards in clarity of information given to members, it aims to solve problems between members and the RBHS through internal dispute resolution. The Code also ensures that funds inform their members of their entitlement to seek assistance from an external dispute resolution body, such as the Private Health Insurance Ombudsman (PHIO).



Each health fund has a short summary of every product in a standard format to help you compare them side by side. They are called Private Health Information Statements (PHIS) and you can easily get them from the Private Health Insurance Ombudsman's website by visiting [health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/compare-health-insurance-policies](http://health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/compare-health-insurance-policies).

## Privacy policy

The RBHS is subject to the Privacy Act 1988 and aims to comply fully with its obligations under this Act. The Act also contains a number of Privacy Principles, which the RBHS adheres to.

To obtain a full copy of the RBHS privacy policy, visit our website [www.myrbhs.com.au](http://www.myrbhs.com.au) or call us on **1800 027 299**.

## Complaints policy

The RBHS is committed to the efficient and fair resolution of all complaints and has a policy to ensure this. If you have a complaint that you wish to discuss, please contact us on **1800 027 299** or [info@myrbhs.com.au](mailto:info@myrbhs.com.au).

We will promptly respond or direct you to the appropriate individual or manager to handle the complaint. If we are unable to assist you, you can contact the Private Health Insurance Ombudsman (PHIO) on **1300 362 072** or visit [www.ombudsman.gov.au](http://www.ombudsman.gov.au). PHIO is free, independent and protects the rights of private health insurance members.

If you would like a copy of our Complaints Handling Policy, you can download it from [www.myrbhs.com.au/policies](http://www.myrbhs.com.au/policies). For general information about private health insurance, please visit [www.privatehealth.gov.au](http://www.privatehealth.gov.au).

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