



# PUBLIC HOSPITAL

PRODUCT SHEET

**TEACHERS  
HEALTH** 

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Effective 1 April 2018

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With Public Hospital cover, you can get treated by your own doctor in a public hospital.

## ACCESS GAP COVER

If your doctor chooses to participate in Access Gap Cover, there will be less for you to pay, or in some cases, nothing at all. Go to [teachershealth.com.au/access-gap](https://www.teachershealth.com.au/access-gap) to find out more. You'll need to ask your doctor whether they are willing to participate in Access Gap, and they must provide written informed consent if there are any out-of-pocket expenses.

	BENEFIT
<b>HOSPITAL</b>	
<b>Private hospital (agreement hospital and same day surgeries)</b>	
Choice of agreement hospital	✗
Shared room or private room (where available)	✗
Theatre fees, intensive care fees	✗
Labour ward fees	✗
<b>Public hospital</b>	
Shared room	✓
Private room (where available)	✗
Theatre fees, intensive care fees	n/a (fees are included in accommodation charges)
Labour ward fees	

## MEDICAL SERVICES

Choice of doctor	✓
Access Gap Cover	✓
Government approved surgically implanted prostheses (some prostheses may have out-of-pocket expenses)	✓

## MEDICAL COSTS AND THE 'GAP'

Medicare sets a fee for all services called the Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS). Together with Medicare, we'll cover you for the MBS fee. Doctors can sometimes charge above the MBS fee, and that's when you'll have out-of-pocket costs – this is commonly known as the 'gap'.

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	BENEFIT
<b>HOSPITAL SERVICES</b>	
All services where a Medicare benefit is payable	Restricted
Services not covered by Medicare (e.g. cosmetic surgery, laser eye surgery)	✗
<b>OTHER</b>	
Emergency ambulance transport	✓
Non-emergency ambulance transport	\$3,000 per person/ calendar year

# IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW

## WAITING PERIODS

### HOSPITAL WAITING PERIODS

Pre-existing conditions	12 months
Pregnancy and birth-related services	9 months
Psychiatric, rehabilitation and palliative care	2 months
All other hospital services	2 months
Emergency ambulance transport	1 day
Non-emergency ambulance transport	1 day

### YOU MAY HAVE TO WAIT IF...

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- You switch health funds:
  - And you increase your cover to include things that weren't covered before

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## PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS

A pre-existing condition is an ailment, illness or condition where the signs or symptoms existed during the six months before you joined Teachers Health or upgraded to a higher level of cover (even though a diagnosis may not have been made). Our Fund Medical Advisor will determine if a condition is classed as pre-existing, and if it is, you'll need to wait 12 months before your cover kicks in.

## RESTRICTED SERVICES

In a public hospital:

- We pay – accommodation in a shared room (as long as the hospital doesn't charge above the default rate set out by the Federal Government), and medical costs.
- You pay – any excess (if applicable), and any gap if your hospital charges above the default rate.

If you go to a private hospital, you will experience significant out-of-pocket costs. This cover is intended for public hospital admissions only.

## WHAT WE WON'T PAY

We won't pay for things like:

- Services not covered by Medicare
- Medical procedures in a doctor's room
- Specialist appointments (including scans, blood tests)
- Prostheses in excess of approved benefits in the Government's Prosthesis List
- Non-medical items such as TV hire, telephone, parking etc.
- Discharge medication
- Services received during any period which your membership is unfinancial or suspended
- Services not included in your cover or for which you are serving waiting periods
- Hospital treatment received overseas.

## BEFORE GOING TO HOSPITAL

Before you pack your nightie or PJs and your overnight bag, the first step is to call us so we can confirm what you're covered for, and any potential out-of-pocket charges for your procedure.

# TOP EXTRAS

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Top of the range, and our best Extras product on offer. It covers the essentials like dental check-ups, glasses and physio but you'll also get added value for things like orthodontia, psychology, hearing aids and speech therapy.

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	BENEFIT (UP TO)	YEARLY LIMIT		WAITING PERIOD
<b>DENTAL</b>				
<b>GENERAL DENTAL</b>				
Periodic oral examination (012) – limit of 2 services per person/year	\$40	Unlimited (unless otherwise stated)		2 months
Removal of calculus (114) – limit of 2 services per person/year	\$70			
Topical application of remineralising agent (121) – limit of 2 services per person/year	\$25			
Removal of tooth (311)	\$90			
Filling: adhesive restoration – 3 surfaces (533)	\$115			
<b>MAJOR DENTAL</b>				
Removal of wisdom teeth requiring removal of bone (323)	\$170	Increasing limits		12 months
Removal of wisdom teeth requiring removal of bone and tooth division (324)	\$240	Year 1	Match existing cover up to \$1,300 (applies when transferring from a cover that includes Major Dental with all waiting periods served)	
Inlays/Onlays – tooth coloured – 1 surface (551)	\$273	Year 2	\$1,300	
Inlays/Onlays – tooth coloured – 2 surfaces (552)	\$432	Year 3	\$1,600	
Crown – veneered (615)	\$750	Year 4	\$2,100	
Bridge pontic – direct (642)	\$520	Year 5	\$2,600	
Dentures – upper and lower (719)	\$1,000	Year 6+	\$2,800	
<b>ORTHODONTIA TREATMENT</b>				
<b>Lifetime limit of \$2,500 per person. Increasing limits for Orthodontia are calculated on years of continuous membership of Teachers Health Top Extras cover and equivalent cover with other health funds.</b>				
Orthodontia	100%	Increasing limits		24 months
		Year 3	\$1,500	
		Year 4	\$2,000	
		Year 5+	\$2,500	

	BENEFIT (UP TO)	YEARLY LIMIT	WAITING PERIOD
<b>OPTICAL</b>			
Frames	\$100	\$260 per person	6 months
Single vision lens – pair	\$120		
Bifocal lens – pair	\$135		
Multifocal lens – pair	\$165		
Contact lenses – pair	\$175		

<b>BODY &amp; MIND THERAPIES</b>			
Chiro and Osteo – 1-4 visits	\$40	\$450 per person (sub-limits apply)	2 months
Chiro and Osteo – 5+ visits	\$32		
Chiro and Osteo – group therapy	\$20		
Physio – 1-4 visits	\$40	\$800 per person (sub-limits apply)	
Physio – 5+ visits	\$32		
Physio – group therapy/class therapy	\$20		
Exercise physiology – 1-4 visits	\$40		
Exercise physiology – 5+ visits	\$32		
Exercise physiology – group therapy	\$20		
Ante- or post-natal physio course	\$78 per confinement		
Speech therapy – 1-4 visits	\$70	\$600 per person	
Speech therapy – 5+ visits	\$40		
Occupational therapy – 1-4 visits	\$70	\$500 per person	
Occupational therapy – 5+ visits	\$44		
Podiatry – 1-4 visits	\$40	\$400 per person (sub-limits apply)	
Podiatry – 5+ visits	\$32		
Audiology consultation	\$45	Unlimited	
Dietitian – 1-4 visits	\$60	\$400 per person	
Dietitian – 5+ visits	\$40		
Hypnotherapy	\$30	\$300 per person	
Psychology consultation	\$72	\$600 per person (sub-limits apply)	
Psychology assessment	\$100		

<b>COMPLEMENTARY THERAPIES</b>			
<b>Benefits are for face-to-face consultation only. No benefits for remedies, medicines or food preparations.</b>			
Including remedial massage, acupuncture, naturopathy, and more. Visit <a href="http://teachershealth.com.au">teachershealth.com.au</a> for a full list.	\$32	\$600 per person	2 months

<b>HEALTHY LIFESTYLE</b>			
<b>Health-related programs to address a specific health or medical condition. You are required to submit a Healthy Lifestyle Program form every two years, download a copy from <a href="http://teachershealth.com.au">teachershealth.com.au</a></b>			
Including weight management, gym membership, Pilates, and more. Visit <a href="http://teachershealth.com.au">teachershealth.com.au</a> for a full list.	75%	\$200 per person	6 months

	BENEFIT (UP TO)	YEARLY LIMIT	WAITING PERIOD
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## MEDICAL HEALTH

Benefits towards non-PBS prescription medication to treat a medical condition. Benefits are not payable for contraceptives prescribed without a medical condition. A \$280 sub-limit applies for erectile dysfunction medication.

Pharmaceuticals (non-PBS requiring prescription by law)	\$60	\$800 per person (sub-limits apply)	2 months
Home nursing < 6 hours	\$33	\$800 per person	
Home nursing > 6 hours	\$95		

## MEDICAL APPLIANCES/HEARING AIDS

You are required to submit an Aids and Appliances Form every 12 months to be eligible to claim a benefit, download a copy from [teachershealth.com.au](http://teachershealth.com.au)

Purchase of CPAP machine	75%	\$900 per person, per three years	12 months
Purchase of CPAP accessories	75%	\$150 per person	12 months
Hearing aids – 1 pair of hearing aids per person every 3 calendar years	Increasing Limits	Single	Pair
	Years 1-5	\$600	\$1,200
	Years 5+	\$900	\$1,800

## ARTIFICIAL AIDS

You are required to submit an Aids and Appliances form every 12 months to be eligible to claim a benefit, download a copy from [teachershealth.com.au](http://teachershealth.com.au). Compression garments must be for the treatment of lymphedema, vascular conditions, scarring from burns or for use post-surgery.

Blood pressure monitor (purchase)	75% up to \$85	\$1,200 per person (sub-limits apply)	2 months
Blood glucose monitor	75% up to \$160		
Compression garments	75% up to \$400		
Wigs – chemotherapy/alopecia	75% up to \$350		

## WHEELCHAIR

Wheelchair	50%	\$1,900 limit every 5 years (sub-limit applies for a manual wheelchair)	24 months
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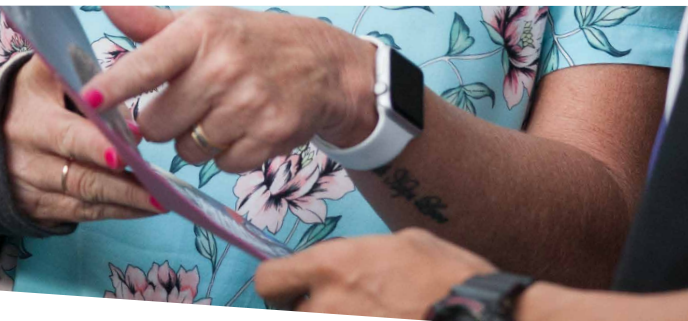
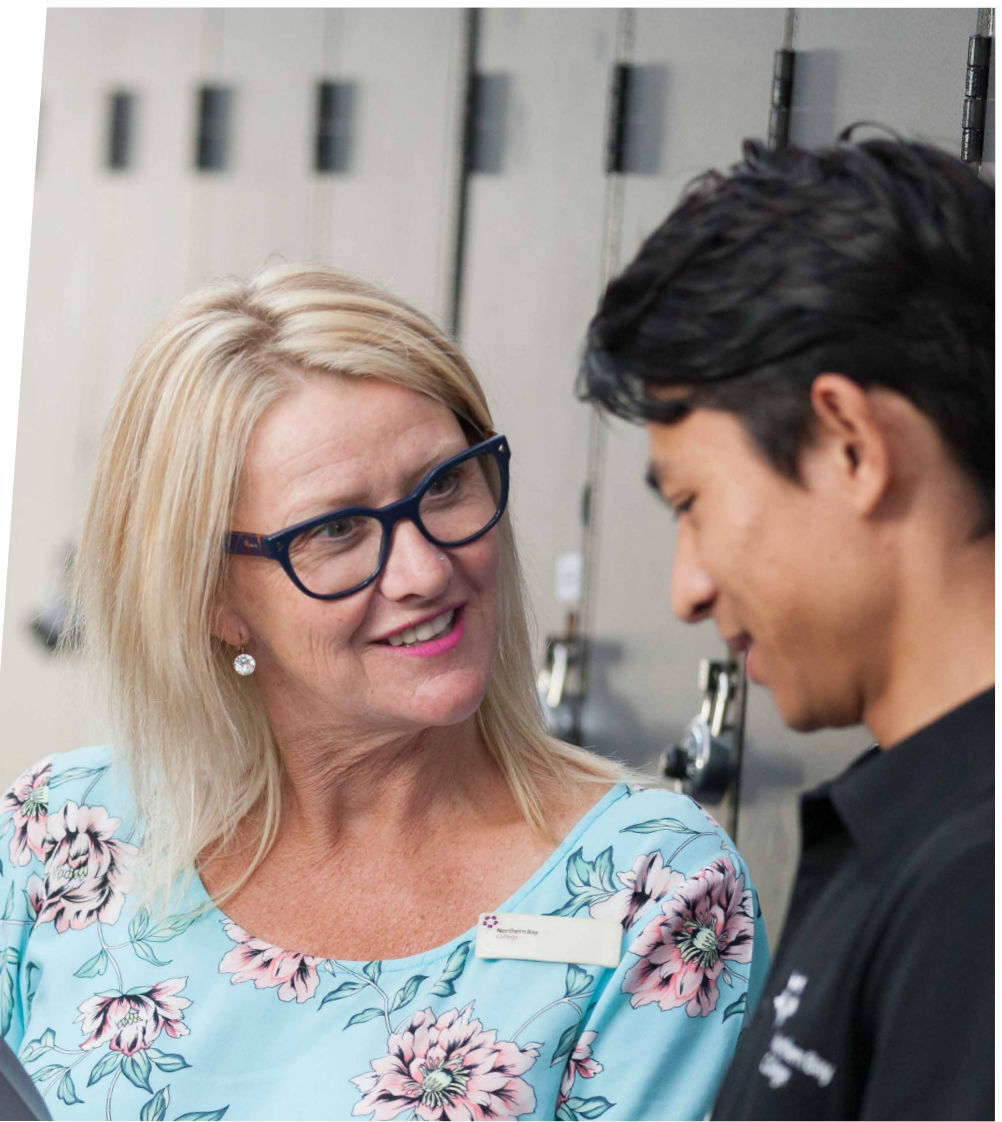
## MISCELLANEOUS

Travel benefits are payable for the patient for a serious medical/dental condition for distances over 200km return (where treatment isn't available closer to home). Proof of attendance is required from the treating specialist, medical practitioner or hospital.

Travel	15c/km	\$400 per person	2 months
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## EMERGENCY AMBULANCE TRANSPORT

Emergency ambulance transport	100%	\$6,000 per person	1 day
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# IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW

## WAITING PERIODS

### EXTRAS WAITING PERIODS

Orthodontia	24 months
Wheelchair purchase	24 months
Major dental	12 months
Optical, healthy lifestyle	6 months
All other services	2 months
Emergency ambulance transport	1 day

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  - Increase your benefit limits
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  - And increase your benefit limits

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## BENEFITS AND LIMITS

- All limits are based on a calendar year from 1 January (unless stated otherwise)
- Benefits are limited to one service per person, per provider, per day
- Increasing limits are calculated on years of continuous membership of Teachers Health Top Extras cover.

## WHAT WE WON'T PAY

We won't pay for things like:

- Two services from the same provider on the same day
- Services provided by immediate family
- Claims more than two years old
- Claims where no charge has been raised
- Services received during any period which your membership is unfinancial or suspended
- Services not included in your cover or for which you are serving waiting periods
- Services from an unrecognised provider
- Claims without official receipts
- Services or goods received overseas.

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