

Supplementary Advice on Bundling Arrangements for General Use Items on the Prostheses List

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# Abbreviations

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **AR-DRG** | Australian Refined Diagnosis-Related Groups |
| **GUI** | General Use Item |
| **HCP** | Hospital Casemix Protocol |
| **IHACPA** | Independent Health and Aged Care Pricing Authority |
| **MDC** | Major Diagnostic Category |
| **PL** | Prostheses List |

# Background

## Purpose

This report details supplementary advice on bundling arrangements for General Use Items on the Prostheses List. The advice is supplementary to advice on bundling arrangements provided in December 2022.[[1]](#footnote-1) The supplementary advice was previously foreshadowed and incorporates updates to General Use Items and their Prostheses List (PL) scheduled benefits that have occurred since the December 2022 advice. This report is to be considered in conjunction with the report detailing the December 2022 advice.

## Overview

In 2021, the Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care (the Department) commenced four years of reform activity to improve the PL and its arrangements. These reforms include clarification of the scope of the PL, to refine the definition of which prostheses are eligible for inclusion on the PL, and to remove ineligible items.

The items identified for removal from the PL are used in a broad range of surgeries and are referred to as ‘General Use Items’ (GUIs). Once removed from the PL on 1 July 2023, alternative arrangements will need to be in place between insurers and hospitals to support the purchase and utilisation of GUIs for admitted services provided to privately insured individuals.

The Independent Health and Aged Care Pricing Authority (IHACPA) is an independent government agency established to improve health outcomes for all Australians and to support the sustainability of the Australian health system. The Department requested that IHACPA provide advice on bundling arrangements for GUIs that may inform the establishment of alternative arrangements for the payment of benefits for GUIs once they are removed from the PL.

In December 2022, IHACPA provided advice on bundling arrangements for GUIs on the PL. The advice defined the composition of GUI bundles and their bundled benefits based on the identification of GUIs within the August 2022 publication of the PL. The August 2022 PL identified 492 GUIs for removal, and the December 2022 advice pertained to bundling arrangements for these 492 items. Following the development and provision of the December 2022 advice, a small number of updates have occurred to the PL that affect the identification of GUIs and their final benefits.

This supplementary advice incorporates the changes to GUIs and their final benefits into the composition of GUI bundles and their bundled benefits. The contents of this report and its appendices constitute IHACPA’s supplementary advice on bundling arrangements for GUIs on the PL. The December 2022 advice together with this supplementary advice are evidence-based and have been developed incorporating feedback received through a public consultation process[[2]](#footnote-2) and through the IHACPA Prostheses List Reform Working Group.

## Advice on Bundling Arrangements for General Use Items

The December 2022 advice on bundling arrangements for GUIs on the PL includes information on the composition of bundles and their bundled benefits. The December 2022 advice pertains to GUIs defined by Part D of the August 2022 publication of the PL with bundle benefits defined using expected March 2023 PL scheduled benefits.

The December 2022 advice sets out a schedule of GUI bundles and their associated bundle benefits. The GUI bundles aggregate GUI utilisation and associated PL benefits to the level of an episode of admitted patient care. Each GUI bundle groups all in-scope items used for an individual hospital admission, recognising that there may be different bundles for different groups of items and types of admissions. The bundles apply to items used in admitted hospital services provided to privately insured individuals in private overnight facilities, private day facilities and public facilities.

IHACPA’s advice defines three types of GUI bundle variants across all GUI products. The three variant types offer different levels of granularity and capture different sources of variation in GUI usage.

The first type of bundle variant is defined by the classification of GUI products and categorises all GUIs into 24 ‘product classes’ based on the existing classification structure of the PL.

The second type of GUI bundle variant splits each of the 24 GUI product bundle variants into three classes based on the facility in which an episode occurs; that is, a private overnight, private day or public hospital facility.

The third type of GUI bundle variant splits each of the 24 GUI product bundle variants into up to five classes based on the Major Diagnostic Category (MDC) of the episode. MDCs are a classification of admitted episodes that form a part of the Australian Refined Diagnosis Related Groups (AR-DRG) classification, and IHACPA has used AR-DRG Version 10 in the development of this advice.

IHACPA has used the Hospital Casemix Protocol (HCP) data collection to represent the utilisation of GUIs across privately insured admitted episodes – specifically using admitted episodes that separated in the 2020-21 financial year for this purpose. The mix and number of items can vary across individual bundles of a given GUI bundle variant.

For a given GUI bundle variant, its ‘bundle benefit’ is defined as an average of PL benefits per episode. This average relates to usage of items from the GUI product class for episodes specified by the variant (e.g. those that occur within a given facility type or are classified as belonging to a given collection of MDCs).

Further detail on the definition of these bundles and their application is provided in the December 2022 advice.

# Supplementary Advice on Bundling Arrangements for General Use Items

## Introduction

The December 2022 Advice on bundling arrangements for General Use Items (GUIs) on the Prostheses List (PL) pertains to GUIs defined by Part D of the August 2022 publication of the PL with bundle benefits defined using expected March 2023 PL scheduled benefits. Subsequent to the August 2022 PL, some changes have occurred to the items identified by Part D for removal from the PL and their expected final benefits.

This supplementary advice updates the GUI bundles and their bundle benefits to incorporate changes that have occurred since the December 2022 advice. The supplementary advice pertains to GUIs defined by Part D of the March 2023 publication of the PL, together with the final benefits to be in place from 1 July 2023.

The updated schedule of GUI bundles and their associated benefit levels is included in Appendix A – Schedule of General Use Item Bundles. The updated schedule replaces the schedule provided in Appendix A of the December 2022 advice.

This supplementary advice also includes updated GUI variation statistics across all bundle variants. The updated statistics are provided in Appendix B – General Use Item bundle variation statistics and replace those provided in Appendix D of the December 2022 advice.

The following sections describe the changes that have occurred to GUIs on the PL since the December 2022 advice and the consequent changes to the composition of GUI bundles and their bundle benefits incorporated in this supplementary advice.

## Changes to General Use Items identified for removal from the Prostheses List

The PL is published by the Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care (the Department) and provides details of the listing of prostheses determined by the Minister for Health and Aged Care and advised by the Prostheses List Advisory Committee (PLAC) under the *Private Health Insurance Act 2007* and the Private Health Insurance (Prostheses) Rules.

Changes to the PL occur periodically with the release of new PL publications by the Department and can include the listing of new products, removal of existing products and changes to the scheduled benefit of products.

The March 2023 publication of the PL represents the final version of the PL expected to be published prior to the transition of GUIs off the PL from 1 July 2023. Part D of the March 2023 PL specifies the final set of PL billing codes identified for removal. A small number of changes have occurred to Part D of the PL since the August 2022 PL that was used as a basis for the December 2022 advice. These changes include:

1. items removed from Part D of the PL
2. new items added to Part D of the PL
3. benefit changes to items listed on Part D of the PL
4. billing code changes to items listed on Part D of the PL.

Overall, the number of GUIs listed on Part D of the PL decreased from 492 in August 2022 to 487 in March 2023. This net change reflected the removal of 17 items from Part D and the addition of 12 items to Part D. Further to these removals and additions, two Part D items changed their benefit groupings, which resulted in a change to their March 2023 PL scheduled benefits from what was expected in the December 2022 advice. Finally, three items on Part D had a change to their billing code due to a change in PL Sponsor.

The following sections provide further detail on the changes to GUIs identified for removal from the PL. Further detail on changes to GUIs identified for removal from the PL is provided in Appendix C – Listing of Changes to General Use Items. Detail on the impacts of these changes on the GUI bundles is provided in Section 2.3.

### Items removed from Part D of the PL

A total of 17 items listed on Part D of the August 2022 PL no longer appear on Part D of the March 2023 PL. Consequently, these 17 items have been removed from the GUI bundles defined in this supplementary advice.

These 17 items include:

* two items from the Gastrostomy Tubes (A22) GUI product class
* four items from the Percutaneous Catheters (A31) GUI product class
* one item from the Adhesion Barriers (A51) GUI product class
* four items from the Ligating Items (A53) GUI product class
* six items from the Dura Repair, Membrane Sealants (A56) GUI product class, representing the entirety of the A56 GUI product class.

Table C1 of Appendix C lists the 17 removed items.

### Items added to Part D of the PL

A total of 12 new items were added to Part D of the PL between the August 2022 and March 2023 publications. These items are now considered GUIs identified for removal from the PL on 1 July 2023. The 12 additional items belong to the ‘Drainage Catheters’ PL product group of the Pulmonary/Peritoneal Devices’ PL subcategory.

The Drainage Catheters PL product group had no items listed in Part D in August 2022. Consequently, there was no corresponding GUI product class defined in the December 2022 advice. To classify these additional GUIs, this supplementary advice includes a newly defined ‘Drainage Catheters’ (A61) GUI product class, which belongs to a newly defined ‘Pulmonary/Peritoneal’ (A6) GUI product branch. Table C2 of Appendix C lists the 12 additional items.

Due to their late transferal from Part A to Part D of the PL, these 12 items did not receive the 1 March 2023 GUI scheduled benefit reductions defined under the PL reforms.[[3]](#footnote-3) Instead, the implementation of their corresponding benefit reductions as GUIs were postponed from 1 March 2023 to 1 July 2023. For five of the 12 items, this delayed implementation is of no consequence, as their 1 March 2023 scheduled benefit meets criteria for no further reductions under the PL reforms. For the other seven of 12 items, their 1 July 2023 benefits differ from their March 2023 PL scheduled benefits. Table C3 of Appendix C details the 1 July 2023 benefit changes.

### Benefit changes to items listed on Part D of the PL

Two items listed in Part D of the August 2022 PL were subsequently moved between benefit groups, resulting in a change to their March 2023 PL scheduled benefit compared with what was expected in the December 2022 advice.

The two items include one item from the Internal Adhesives (A52) GUI product class and one item from the Ligating Items (A53) GUI product class. Table C4 of Appendix C specifies the difference in their March 2023 PL scheduled benefit from what was expected in the December 2022 advice.

### Billing code changes to items listed on Part D of the PL

Three items listed in Part D of the PL changed their billing code values between the August 2022 PL and the March 2023 PL. This change was brought about by a change in the Sponsor of the three products, noting that billing code values include PL Sponsor codes. All three items belong to the Arterial Closure Items (A57) GUI product class. Table C5 of Appendix C details these billing code changes.

## Changes to General Use Item bundles

The changes to Part D of the PL described in Section 2.2 affect the composition of some GUI bundles and their associated bundle benefits. This supplementary advice updates the December 2022 advice to incorporate these changes. The updates include:

1. removal of a GUI product class and associated GUI bundle variants
2. addition of a new GUI product class and associated GUI bundle variants
3. changes to the composition of MDC-based bundle variants for a GUI product class
4. changes to the bundle benefits of existing GUI bundle variants.

The updated specifications of GUI bundle variants and their bundle benefits are provided in Appendix A – Schedule of General Use Item Bundles. The following sections describe the changes to the GUI bundles defined in the December 2022 advice. Further details on the changes to GUI bundle variants are provided in Appendix C – Listing of Changes to General Use Items.

### Removal of a GUI product class and associated GUI bundle variants

As described in Section 2.2.1, all six items belonging to the Dura Repair, Membrane Sealants (A56) GUI product class were removed from Part D of the PL. Consequently, the A56 GUI product class and its associated bundle variants have been removed from the schedule of GUI bundle variants defined in this supplementary advice. There are a total of five bundle variants removed as part of this change: one product only bundle variant, three facility type bundle variants, and one MDC-based bundle variant. Table C6 of Appendix C lists the five removed bundle variants.

### Addition of a new GUI product class and associated GUI bundle variants

As described in Section 2.2.2, 12 new GUIs were added to Part D of the PL under the ‘Drainage Catheters’ PL product group of the Pulmonary/Peritoneal Devices’ PL subcategory. Consistent with the methodology applied in the December 2022 advice, a new ‘Pulmonary/Peritoneal’ (A6) GUI product branch and new ‘Drainage Catheters’ (A61) GUI product class have been defined to classify the 12 new GUIs.

The methodology of the December 2022 advice has also been applied in the development of this supplementary advice to define bundle variants associated with the newly defined product class. The new bundle variants include one product only bundle variant, three facility type bundle variants, and two MDC-based bundle variants. Table C7 of Appendix C lists the six newly defined bundle variants.

Also noted in Section 2.2.2, five of the 12 new GUIs have a 1 July 2023 benefit that differs from their March 2023 PL scheduled benefit. For these five items, their 1 July 2023 benefits have been used in place of their March 2023 PL scheduled benefits in the calculation of bundle benefits for the six new bundle variants.

### Changes to the composition of MDC-based bundle variants for a GUI product class

As a consequence of a change to the PL scheduled benefit of one item from the Internal Adhesives (A52) GUI product class (described in Section 2.2.3), there was a change in the ranking of Major Diagnostic Categories (MDCs) based on their average benefits per episode for bundles associated with the Internal Adhesives (A52) GUI product class.

Reapplying the methodology of the December 2022 advice for the development of MDC-based bundle variants then led to a minor change in the grouping of MDCs to bundle variants for A52 bundles.

In particular, MDC 13 (Diseases and Disorders of the Female Reproductive System) and MDC 14 (Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium) exchanged assignments between the A52C3 and A52C4 bundle variants, respectively.

Table C8 of Appendix C illustrates the change in MDC grouping from the December 2022 advice to the supplementary advice.

### Changes to the bundle benefits of existing GUI bundle variants

The removal of items from Part D of the PL (Section 2.2.1), together with changes to PL scheduled benefits (Section 2.2.3) and changes to the composition of MDC-based bundle variants (Section 2.3.3) resulted in changes to the bundle benefits of 19 bundle variants.

The 19 bundle variants with updated bundle benefits are associated with the Gastrostomy Tubes (A22), Adhesion Barriers (A51), Internal Adhesives (A52) and Ligating Items (A53) GUI product classes. Note that, although the Percutaneous Catheters (A31) GUI product class also had items removed, due to the low utilisation of these items, their removal had no impact on the calculation of bundle benefits for bundle variants associated with the product class.

Table C9 of Appendix C details the 19 changes to bundle benefits incorporated in the supplementary advice.

# Appendix A – Schedule of General Use Item Bundles

Table A1: Definition of General Use Item Product Classes

This table **supersedes Table A1** and **Table 15** from the December 2022 advice.

| **Product branch** | **Product class** | **1 July 2023****benefit** | **March 2023 Prosthesis List billing codes** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| A1 Drug Delivery | A11 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based | 28 | BB349 RN006 SI049 SI050 TX057 TX058 TY001 |
| 92 | BU024 BX247 BX281 BX287 BX327 BX328 CU003 SQ146 UX001 UX002 |
| 142 | RN004 SI051 TX060 |
| 260 | UX003 |
| 319 | CU004 SQ035 UX004 |
| 367 | BU025 BX249 BX330 CU005 RN007 SQ037 TX059 |
| A12 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered | 407 | DQ002 FX003 FX004 |
| 2805 | DE776 FK017 FX002 RE001 RE002 SI034 SI045 SI052 |
| A13 | Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered | 76 | BX326 |
| 233 | CU001 CU002 DQ001 LE002 |
| A19 | Drug Delivery Accessories | 7 | RX003 SI026 SI028 SI040 |
| 8 | AN016 RX002 |
| 26 | BX245 DE777 FX001 RE003 SI024 |
| 45 | SI046 SQ069 |
| 72 | BX286 SQ070 SQ142 |
| A2 Enteral Access | A21 | Feeding Tubes | 161 | KI010 |
| A22 | Gastrostomy Tubes | 82 | BS142 DO021 DO024 FK012 KI005 KI007 NF001 WC334 |
| 99 | WC335 |
| 185 | BA047 BS141 DE536 DE541 DE546 DE564 DO020 DO022 DO023 FK008 FK011 FK013 FK018 KI001 KI002 KI004 WC185 |
| A23 | Jejunostomy Tubes | 154 | WC098 WC099 |
| 451 | FK009 FK010 FK014 FK015 FK016 KI014 KI016 KI017 |
| A24 | Caecostomy Tubes | 320 | WC197 |
| A3 Vascular Access | A31 | Percutaneous Catheters | 71 | TX030 |
| 96 | BA130 TX026 TX027 TX028 |
| 104 | TX031 TX032 TX033 TX034 WC230 WC231 WC321 |
| 130 | BA184 BA212 BA220 BA268 BA273 BA282 BA302 BA308 MS067 MS069 MS074 MS075 MS078 TX036 TX061 WC279 |
| 131 | BA183 BA213 BA274 BA283 BA298 BA299 BA300 BA303 MS071 MS076 MS077 MS080 TX035 TX043 TX056 TX062 WC280 WC297 |
| 146 | BA049 BA125 BA129 BA291 BA292 BA296 |
| 293 | BA051 BA126 BA209 BA289 BA290 BA293 BA294 BA295 |
| A4 Haemostatic | A41 | Occluder Pins | 286 | PV001 |
| A42 | Powder | 45 | BA260 BA301 BX346 JJ636 LH408 SV053 |
| 46 | BA284 BA285 |
| 90 | AB084 SV054 |
| 107 | BX336 |
| 132 | BA261 BF024 BX345 BX347 MN234 |
| 154 | VM001 |
| 158 | BX337 |
| 217 | AB083 BA262 BX348 SV055 |
| 497 | WA004 |
| A43 | Sponges | 8 | JJ003 JJ005 JJ015 LH405 LH410 LH411 LH412 LH414 |
| 15 | JJ006 JJ007 PU059 |
| 27 | JJ004 |
| 64 | PU060 |
| A44 | Pliable Patches | 8 | LH424 LM487 |
| 19 | BG002 JJ013 JJ014 |
| 26 | LH423 LM486 |
| 33 | BG001 JJ023 JJ432 |
| 34 | JJ009 JJ012 MN112 |
| 39 | JJ008 |
| 69 | JJ030 MN116 |
| 91 | JJ433 |
| 98 | JJ029 MN117 |
| A45 | Matrix | 122 | AN009 |
| 277 | AN008 |
| 343 | JJ640 |
| 394 | BX258 FY001 |
| 640 | BX259 MN172 |
| 903 | VB002 |
| A46 | Foam | 93 | BF021 HW582 ME230 SL081 SL083 |
| A49 | Haemostatic Accessories | 28 | FY003 MN154 VB001 |
| A5 Closure | A51 | Adhesion Barriers | 94 | ET082 |
| 158 | JJ010 |
| 226 | BX260 |
| 312 | BX342 |
| 411 | FJ003 |
| 595 | LH534 |
| 1173 | ET051 FJ001 FJ002 FJ004 LH001 LM084 MC618 |
| A52 | Internal Adhesives | 23 | BB382 BB383 DE721 LH596 MI286 MI317 MN229 |
| 52 | AS212 KF001 |
| 128 | BX252 DE720 LH597 MN230 |
| 129 | JI006 |
| 208 | KF003 |
| 301 | BX334 BX335 |
| 323 | AB075 BX214 BX283 |
| 412 | AS213 KF002 |
| 516 | BX253 |
| 588 | AB003 BX215 BX284 |
| 718 | BA265 |
| 963 | BX254 |
| 1177 | AB004 BX216 BX285 MN204 |
| A53 | Ligating Items | 2 | LM042 |
| 9 | DE618 EB138 |
| 10 | BB294 BB297 BB299 BB300 DE724 JJ033 JJ034 |
| 11 | DE616 TX006 TX008 TX010 TX012 |
| 25 | DE619 |
| 29 | EB137 |
| 30 | JJ035 |
| 40 | DE698 EB136 TX023 TX025 |
| 41 | BB298 DE617 DE725 TX007 TX009 TX011 TX013 |
| 52 | BB016 BB301 BB321 CK001 GQ006 GQ007 JJ040 |
| 68 | ET065 |
| 81 | JJ036 |
| 96 | LV086 |
| 125 | LV081 |
| 128 | JJ037 JJ038 JJ039 MI217 |
| 180 | AS074 CK003 JJ186 JJ482 LV076 MH015 MI213 TX024 |
| 211 | ER280 |
| 249 | DE606 DE609 |
| 680 | FQ002 |
| 1473 | ER279 |
| A54 | Staples and Tackers | 50 | DE610 |
| 69 | MN214 |
| 162 | AS228 MI304 |
| 198 | GT224 GT228 |
| 210 | AS076 AS081 AS092 IJ017 IJ019 MI215 MI216 MI455 MN213 MN218 MN220 OB003 OB006 OB010 OX038 OX039 OX040 |
| 211 | DE726 |
| 226 | JJ475 |
| 234 | AS091 AS095 |
| 258 | MI305 |
| 292 | AS110 ET066 IJ015 IJ018 JJ050 MI212 MI214 MI456 MN217 OB002 OB005 OB009 OX032 OX033 OX034 |
| 308 | DE611 |
| 318 | AS186 DE472 DE560 IJ021 MI282 MN219 OX037 ZZ069 |
| 323 | AS229 |
| 357 | AS046 AS134 IJ020 JJ903 JJ904 MN206 OX031 ZZ068 |
| 374 | AS045 BA203 |
| 447 | DE683 MI227 MN215 |
| 463 | WL001 |
| 473 | AS075 AS077 AS246 BA204 BA269 JJ184 MN115 MN175 |
| 521 | AS209 MI287 |
| 559 | JJ812 |
| 648 | AS179 IJ014 IJ016 JJ443 OB004 OB007 OX035 OX036 |
| 653 | AS227 MI303 |
| 662 | JJ056 |
| 671 | MI219 MI281 MN216 |
| A55 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants | 580 | HW659 HW660 IG141 MN203 |
| 629 | IG142 MN202 |
| A57 | Arterial Closure Items | 290 | JW005 JW008 JW015 SJ452 SJ459 SJ463 TU061 TU067 |
| 608 | SJ451 |
| A59 | Closure Accessories | 22 | AB008 BA267 BX266 BX270 DE722 |
| 25 | AB009 AB010 AB076 BX261 BX262 BX263 BX264 BX269 BX271 BX272 BX275 BX282 DE723 |
| 53 | AB065 BX268 BX277 BX279 BX280 |
| 68 | BA266 BX265 BX267 BX273 BX340 BX341 DE727 FY002 MN041 MN153 |
| A6 Pulmonary / Peritoneal | A61 | Drainage Catheters | 57 | FN006 |
| 95 | WA005 |
| 121 | ME208 WA001 WA002 |
| 125 | FN005 OW008 |
| 384 | DE603 FN002 ME207 MS065 RK001 |

Table A2: General Use Item Bundles – Product Bundle Variants

This table **supersedes Table A2** from the December 2022 advice.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Product branch** | **Bundle variant** | **Bundle benefit** |
| A1 Drug Delivery | A11A1 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based | $132.86 |
| A12A1 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered | $513.65 |
| A13A1 | Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered | $127.54 |
| A19A1 | Drug Delivery Accessories | $40.35 |
| A2 Enteral Access | A21A1 | Feeding Tubes | $161.00 |
| A22A1 | Gastrostomy Tubes | $171.58 |
| A23A1 | Jejunostomy Tubes | $448.05 |
| A24A1 | Caecostomy Tubes | $336.55 |
| A3 Vascular Access | A31A1 | Percutaneous Catheters | $143.99 |
| A4 Haemostatic | A41A1 | Occluder Pins | $286.00 |
| A42A1 | Powder | $118.44 |
| A43A1 | Sponges | $13.04 |
| A44A1 | Pliable Patches | $61.99 |
| A45A1 | Matrix | $698.62 |
| A46A1 | Foam | $146.91 |
| A49A1 | Haemostatic Accessories | $29.05 |
| A5 Closure | A51A1 | Adhesion Barriers | $462.13 |
| A52A1 | Internal Adhesives | $237.35 |
| A53A1 | Ligating Items | $155.59 |
| A54A1 | Staples and Tackers | $1597.61 |
| A55A1 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants | $682.18 |
| A57A1 | Arterial Closure Items | $412.09 |
| A59A1 | Closure Accessories | $68.49 |
| A6 Pulmonary/Peritoneal | A61A1 | Drainage Catheters | $197.00 |

Table A3: General Use Item Bundles – Facility Type Variants

This table **supersedes Table A3** from the December 2022 advice.

| **Product class** | **Bundle variant** | **Bundle benefit** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| A11 Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based | A11B1 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Private Overnight Facilities | $147.78 |
| A11B2 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Private Day Facilities | $52.62 |
| A11B3 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Public Facilities | $201.49 |
| A12 Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered | A12B1 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Private Overnight Facilities | $513.65 |
| A12B2 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Private Day Facilities | $513.65 |
| A12B3 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Public Facilities | $513.65 |
| A13 Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered | A13B1 | Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered - Private Overnight Facilities | $127.54 |
| A13B2 | Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered - Private Day Facilities | $127.54 |
| A13B3 | Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered - Public Facilities | $127.54 |
| A19 Drug Delivery Accessories | A19B1 | Drug Delivery Accessories - Private Overnight Facilities | $40.45 |
| A19B2 | Drug Delivery Accessories - Private Day Facilities | $20.23 |
| A19B3 | Drug Delivery Accessories - Public Facilities | $61.63 |
| A21 Feeding Tubes | A21B1 | Feeding Tubes - Private Overnight Facilities | $161.00 |
| A21B2 | Feeding Tubes - Private Day Facilities | $161.00 |
| A21B3 | Feeding Tubes - Public Facilities | $161.00 |
| A22 Gastrostomy Tubes | A22B1 | Gastrostomy Tubes - Private Overnight Facilities | $173.76 |
| A22B2 | Gastrostomy Tubes - Private Day Facilities | $173.76 |
| A22B3 | Gastrostomy Tubes - Public Facilities | $162.86 |
| A23 Jejunostomy Tubes | A23B1 | Jejunostomy Tubes - Private Overnight Facilities | $448.05 |
| A23B2 | Jejunostomy Tubes - Private Day Facilities | $448.05 |
| A23B3 | Jejunostomy Tubes - Public Facilities | $448.05 |
| A24 Caecostomy Tubes | A24B1 | Caecostomy Tubes - Private Overnight Facilities | $336.55 |
| A24B2 | Caecostomy Tubes - Private Day Facilities | $336.55 |
| A24B3 | Caecostomy Tubes - Public Facilities | $336.55 |
| A31 Percutaneous Catheters | A31B1 | Percutaneous Catheters - Private Overnight Facilities | $142.69 |
| A31B2 | Percutaneous Catheters - Private Day Facilities | $129.97 |
| A31B3 | Percutaneous Catheters - Public Facilities | $161.34 |
| A41 Occluder Pins | A41B1 | Occluder Pins - Private Overnight Facilities | $286.00 |
| A41B2 | Occluder Pins - Private Day Facilities | $286.00 |
| A41B3 | Occluder Pins - Public Facilities | $286.00 |
| A42 Powder | A42B1 | Powder - Private Overnight Facilities | $118.94 |
| A42B2 | Powder - Private Day Facilities | $118.94 |
| A42B3 | Powder - Public Facilities | $97.73 |
| A43 Sponges | A43B1 | Sponges - Private Overnight Facilities | $12.88 |
| A43B2 | Sponges - Private Day Facilities | $14.05 |
| A43B3 | Sponges - Public Facilities | $18.87 |
| A44 Pliable Patches | A44B1 | Pliable Patches - Private Overnight Facilities | $62.47 |
| A44B2 | Pliable Patches - Private Day Facilities | $36.24 |
| A44B3 | Pliable Patches - Public Facilities | $63.56 |
| A45 Matrix | A45B1 | Matrix - Private Overnight Facilities | $700.89 |
| A45B2 | Matrix - Private Day Facilities | $440.11 |
| A45B3 | Matrix - Public Facilities | $634.20 |
| A46 Foam | A46B1 | Foam - Private Overnight Facilities | $146.52 |
| A46B2 | Foam - Private Day Facilities | $164.00 |
| A46B3 | Foam - Public Facilities | $150.99 |
| A49 Haemostatic Accessories | A49B1 | Haemostatic Accessories - Private Overnight Facilities | $29.05 |
| A49B2 | Haemostatic Accessories - Private Day Facilities | $29.05 |
| A49B3 | Haemostatic Accessories - Public Facilities | $29.05 |
| A51 Adhesion Barriers | A51B1 | Adhesion Barriers - Private Overnight Facilities | $467.79 |
| A51B2 | Adhesion Barriers - Private Day Facilities | $223.04 |
| A51B3 | Adhesion Barriers - Public Facilities | $467.79 |
| A52 Internal Adhesives | A52B1 | Internal Adhesives - Private Overnight Facilities | $237.52 |
| A52B2 | Internal Adhesives - Private Day Facilities | $212.93 |
| A52B3 | Internal Adhesives - Public Facilities | $263.24 |
| A53 Ligating Items | A53B1 | Ligating Items - Private Overnight Facilities | $155.06 |
| A53B2 | Ligating Items - Private Day Facilities | $182.70 |
| A53B3 | Ligating Items - Public Facilities | $166.01 |
| A54 Staples and Tackers | A54B1 | Staples and Tackers - Private Overnight Facilities | $1,614.97 |
| A54B2 | Staples and Tackers - Private Day Facilities | $579.47 |
| A54B3 | Staples and Tackers - Public Facilities | $1,079.65 |
| A55 Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants | A55B1 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Private Overnight Facilities | $683.61 |
| A55B2 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Private Day Facilities | $625.54 |
| A55B3 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Public Facilities | $683.61 |
| A57 Arterial Closure Items | A57B1 | Arterial Closure Items - Private Overnight Facilities | $414.66 |
| A57B2 | Arterial Closure Items - Private Day Facilities | $370.87 |
| A57B3 | Arterial Closure Items - Public Facilities | $371.44 |
| A59 Closure Accessories | A59B1 | Closure Accessories - Private Overnight Facilities | $68.51 |
| A59B2 | Closure Accessories - Private Day Facilities | $68.51 |
| A59B3 | Closure Accessories - Public Facilities | $64.56 |
| A61 Drainage Catheters | A61B1 | Drainage Catheters - Private Overnight Facilities | $197.75 |
| A61B2 | Drainage Catheters - Private Day Facilities | $197.75 |
| A61B3 | Drainage Catheters - Public Facilities | $175.68 |

Table A4: Definition of Major Diagnostic Category Groupings for General Use Item Bundles

This table **supersedes Table A4** from the December 2022 advice.

| **Product class** | **Bundle variant** | **Grouping of MDCs** | **Grouping of DRG first characters** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| A11Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based | A11C1 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Very High MDC Grouping | 05 18 21A 21B | F T W X |
| A11C2 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - High MDC Grouping | 00 01 09 10 11 12 | A B J K L M |
| A11C3 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Moderate MDC Grouping | 03 04 06 07 08 13 14 16 98 | D E G H I N O Q 8 |
| A11C4 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Low MDC Grouping | 02 15 17 19 20 22 23 99 | C P R U V Y Z 9 |
| A12 Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered | A12C1 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Very High MDC Grouping | 01 05 16 17 | B F Q R |
| A12C2 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - High MDC Grouping | 04 18 | E T |
| A12C3 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Moderate MDC Grouping | 03 06 07 09 11 13 | D G H J L N |
| A12C4 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Low MDC Grouping | 00 02 08 10 12 14 15 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99 | A C I K M O P U V W X Y Z 8 9 |
| A13 Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered | A13C1 | Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered - No MDC Grouping | 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99 | A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R T U V W X Y Z 8 9 |
| A19 Drug Delivery Accessories | A19C1 | Drug Delivery Accessories - No MDC Grouping | 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99 | A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R T U V W X Y Z 8 9 |
| A21 Feeding Tubes | A21C1 | Feeding Tubes - No MDC Grouping | 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99 | A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R T U V W X Y Z 8 9 |
| A22 Gastrostomy Tubes | A22C1 | Gastrostomy Tubes - No MDC Grouping | 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99 | A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R T U V W X Y Z 8 9 |
| A23 Jejunostomy Tubes | A23C1 | Jejunostomy Tubes - No MDC Grouping | 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99 | A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R T U V W X Y Z 8 9 |
| A24 Caecostomy Tubes | A24C1 | Caecostomy Tubes - No MDC Grouping | 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99 | A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R T U V W X Y Z 8 9 |
| A31 Percutaneous Catheters | A31C1 | Percutaneous Catheters - High MDC Grouping | 00 17 | A R |
| A31C2 | Percutaneous Catheters - Low MDC Grouping | 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99 | B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q T U V W X Y Z 8 9 |
| A41 Occluder Pins | A41C1 | Occluder Pins - No MDC Grouping | 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99 | A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R T U V W X Y Z 8 9 |
| A42 Powder | A42C1 | Powder - High MDC Grouping | 06 07 13 16 21A 21B | G H N Q W X |
| A42C2 | Powder - Moderate MDC Grouping | 04 09 11 12 14 15 17 23 98 | E J L M O P R Z 8 |
| A42C3 | Powder - Low MDC Grouping | 00 01 02 03 05 08 10 18 19 20 22 99 | A B C D F I K T U V Y 9 |
| A43 Sponges | A43C1 | Sponges - No MDC Grouping | 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99 | A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R T U V W X Y Z 8 9 |
| A44 Pliable Patches | A44C1 | Pliable Patches - High MDC Grouping | 00 04 05 06 07 08 11 12 13 14 15 19 20 21A 21B 22 | A E F G H I L M N O P U V W X Y |
| A44C2 | Pliable Patches - Low MDC Grouping | 01 02 03 09 10 16 17 18 23 98 99 | B C D J K Q R T Z 8 9 |
| A45 Matrix | A45C1 | Matrix - Very High MDC Grouping | 00 10 19 98 | A K U 8 |
| A45C2 | Matrix - High MDC Grouping | 01 05 06 07 08 15 16 17 18 20 22 | B F G H I P Q R T V Y |
| A45C3 | Matrix - Moderate MDC Grouping | 02 04 09 11 12 13 14 21A 21B 23 | C E J L M N O W X Z |
| A45C4 | Matrix - Low MDC Grouping | 03 99 | D 9 |
| A46 Foam | A46C1 | Foam - No MDC Grouping | 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99 | A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R T U V W X Y Z 8 9 |
| A49 Haemostatic Accessories | A49C1 | Haemostatic Accessories - No MDC Grouping | 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99 | A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R T U V W X Y Z 8 9 |
| A51 Adhesion Barriers | A51C1 | Adhesion Barriers - Very High MDC Grouping | 08 | I |
| A51C2 | Adhesion Barriers - High MDC Grouping | 01 07 98 | B H 8 |
| A51C3 | Adhesion Barriers - Moderate MDC Grouping | 00 06 09 10 11 12 13 16 17 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 | A G J K L M N Q R U V W X Y Z |
| A51C4 | Adhesion Barriers - Low MDC Grouping | 02 03 04 05 14 15 18 99 | C D E F O P T 9 |
| A52 Internal Adhesives | A52C1 | Internal Adhesives - Very High MDC Grouping | 00 04 10 | A E K |
| A52C2 | Internal Adhesives - High MDC Grouping | 01 02 05 06 07 16 17 98 | B C F G H Q R 8 |
| A52C3 | Internal Adhesives - Moderate MDC Grouping | 03 11 12 14 18 20 21A 21B | D L M O T V W X |
| A52C4 | Internal Adhesives - Low MDC Grouping | 08 09 13 15 19 22 23 99 | I J N P U Y Z 9 |
| A53 Ligating Items | A53C1 | Ligating Items - Very High MDC Grouping | 00 12 19 | A M U |
| A53C2 | Ligating Items - High MDC Grouping | 05 06 07 11 17 18 21A 21B | F G H L R T W X |
| A53C3 | Ligating Items - Moderate MDC Grouping | 03 09 10 13 14 20 22 98 | D J K N O V Y 8 |
| A53C4 | Ligating Items - Low MDC Grouping | 01 02 04 08 15 16 23 99 | B C E I P Q Z 9 |
| A54 Staples and Tackers | A54C1 | Staples and Tackers - Very High MDC Grouping | 10 | K |
| A54C2 | Staples and Tackers - High MDC Grouping | 04 07 | E H |
| A54C3 | Staples and Tackers - Moderate MDC Grouping | 00 02 11 16 17 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 | A C L Q R T U V W X Y Z 8 |
| A54C4 | Staples and Tackers - Low MDC Grouping | 03 05 06 08 13 | D F G I N |
| A54C5 | Staples and Tackers - Very Low MDC Grouping | 01 09 12 14 15 99 | B J M O P 9 |
| A55 Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants | A55C1 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - High MDC Grouping | 10 | K |
| A55C2 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Moderate MDC Grouping | 00 06 07 09 11 12 14 15 16 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 | A G H J L M O P Q T U V W X Y Z 8 |
| A55C3 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Low MDC Grouping | 01 02 03 04 05 08 13 17 99 | B C D E F I N R 9 |
| A57 Arterial Closure Items | A57C1 | Arterial Closure Items - High MDC Grouping | 00 02 05 14 15 19 20 22 98 | A C F O P U V Y 8 |
| A57C2 | Arterial Closure Items - Moderate MDC Grouping | 01 03 06 08 09 10 16 17 18 21A 21B | B D G I J K Q R T W X |
| A57C3 | Arterial Closure Items - Low MDC Grouping | 04 07 11 12 13 23 99 | E H L M N Z 9 |
| A59 Closure Accessories | A59C1 | Closure Accessories - No MDC Grouping | 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99 | A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R T U V W X Y Z 8 9 |
| A61 Drainage Catheters | A61C1 | Drainage Catheters - High MDC Grouping | 00 05 06 | A F G |
| A61C2 | Drainage Catheters - Low MDC Grouping | 01 02 03 04 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99 | B C D E H I J K L M N O P Q R T U V W X Y Z 8 9 |

Table A5: General Use Item Bundles – Major Diagnostic Category Grouping Variants

This table **supersedes Table A5** from the December 2022 advice.

| **Product class** | **Bundle variant** | **Bundle benefit** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| A11 Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based | A11C1 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Very High MDC Grouping | $410.32 |
| A11C2 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - High MDC Grouping | $295.89 |
| A11C3 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Moderate MDC Grouping | $204.12 |
| A11C4 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Low MDC Grouping | $67.04 |
| A12 Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered | A12C1 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Very High MDC Grouping | $1,261.83 |
| A12C2 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - High MDC Grouping | $959.32 |
| A12C3 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Moderate MDC Grouping | $712.25 |
| A12C4 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Low MDC Grouping | $473.99 |
| A13 Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered | A13C1 | Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered - No MDC Grouping | $127.54 |
| A19 Drug Delivery Accessories | A19C1 | Drug Delivery Accessories - No MDC Grouping | $40.35 |
| A21 Feeding Tubes | A21C1 | Feeding Tubes - No MDC Grouping | $161.00 |
| A22 Gastrostomy Tubes | A22C1 | Gastrostomy Tubes - No MDC Grouping | $171.58 |
| A23 Jejunostomy Tubes | A23C1 | Jejunostomy Tubes - No MDC Grouping | $448.05 |
| A24 Caecostomy Tubes | A24C1 | Caecostomy Tubes - No MDC Grouping | $336.55 |
| A31 Percutaneous Catheters | A31C1 | Percutaneous Catheters - High MDC Grouping | $170.65 |
| A31C2 | Percutaneous Catheters - Low MDC Grouping | $140.93 |
| A41 Occluder Pins | A41C1 | Occluder Pins - No MDC Grouping | $286.00 |
| A42 Powder | A42C1 | Powder - High MDC Grouping | $175.79 |
| A42C2 | Powder - Moderate MDC Grouping | $144.96 |
| A42C3 | Powder - Low MDC Grouping | $94.84 |
| A43 Sponges | A43C1 | Sponges - No MDC Grouping | $13.04 |
| A44Pliable Patches | A44C1 | Pliable Patches - High MDC Grouping | $72.73 |
| A44C2 | Pliable Patches - Low MDC Grouping | $47.45 |
| A45 Matrix | A45C1 | Matrix - Very High MDC Grouping | $833.05 |
| A45C2 | Matrix - High MDC Grouping | $750.51 |
| A45C3 | Matrix - Moderate MDC Grouping | $628.50 |
| A45C4 | Matrix - Low MDC Grouping | $453.37 |
| A46 Foam | A46C1 | Foam - No MDC Grouping | $146.91 |
| A49 Haemostatic Accessories | A49C1 | Haemostatic Accessories - No MDC Grouping | $29.05 |
| A51 Adhesion Barriers | A51C1 | Adhesion Barriers - Very High MDC Grouping | $1,520.36 |
| A51C2 | Adhesion Barriers - High MDC Grouping | $1,123.32 |
| A51C3 | Adhesion Barriers - Moderate MDC Grouping | $414.25 |
| A51C4 | Adhesion Barriers - Low MDC Grouping | $142.68 |
| A52 Internal Adhesives | A52C1 | Internal Adhesives - Very High MDC Grouping | $586.78 |
| A52C2 | Internal Adhesives - High MDC Grouping | $302.02 |
| A52C3 | Internal Adhesives - Moderate MDC Grouping | $201.47 |
| A52C4 | Internal Adhesives - Low MDC Grouping | $173.65 |
| A53 Ligating Items | A53C1 | Ligating Items - Very High MDC Grouping | $202.42 |
| A53C2 | Ligating Items - High MDC Grouping | $174.20 |
| A53C3 | Ligating Items - Moderate MDC Grouping | $129.55 |
| A53C4 | Ligating Items - Low MDC Grouping | $78.17 |
| A54 Staples and Tackers | A54C1 | Staples and Tackers - Very High MDC Grouping | $2,893.42 |
| A54C2 | Staples and Tackers - High MDC Grouping | $2,247.30 |
| A54C3 | Staples and Tackers - Moderate MDC Grouping | $1,329.81 |
| A54C4 | Staples and Tackers - Low MDC Grouping | $878.62 |
| A54C5 | Staples and Tackers - Very Low MDC Grouping | $398.75 |
| A55 Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants | A55C1 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - High MDC Grouping | $831.46 |
| A55C2 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Moderate MDC Grouping | $688.25 |
| A55C3 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Low MDC Grouping | $617.69 |
| A57 Arterial Closure Items | A57C1 | Arterial Closure Items - High MDC Grouping | $423.76 |
| A57C2 | Arterial Closure Items - Moderate MDC Grouping | $338.03 |
| A57C3 | Arterial Closure Items - Low MDC Grouping | $307.15 |
| A59 Closure Accessories | A59C1 | Closure Accessories - No MDC Grouping | $68.49 |
| A61 Drainage Catheters | A61C1 | Drainage Catheters - High MDC Grouping | $259.45 |
| A61C2 | Drainage Catheters - Low MDC Grouping | $155.56 |

# Appendix B – General Use Item bundle variation statistics

Table B1: Key statistics by bundle variant

| **Bundle variant** | **Bundle variant description** | **Average benefits per episode** | **Average benefits per item** | **Average items per episode** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| A11A1 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based | $132.86 | $110.00 | 1.208 |
| A11B1 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Private Overnight Facilities | $147.78 | $118.60 | 1.246 |
| A11B2 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Private Day Facilities | $52.62 | $52.50 | 1.002 |
| A11B3 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Public Facilities | $201.49 | $144.80 | 1.392 |
| A11C1 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Very High MDC Grouping | $410.32 | $102.58 | 4.000 |
| A11C2 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - High MDC Grouping | $295.89 | $127.26 | 2.325 |
| A11C3 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Moderate MDC Grouping | $204.12 | $153.47 | 1.330 |
| A11C4 | Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Low MDC Grouping | $67.04 | $66.67 | 1.005 |
| A12A1 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered | $513.65 | $455.76 | 1.127 |
| A12B1 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Private Overnight Facilities | $513.65 | $455.76 | 1.127 |
| A12B2 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Private Day Facilities | $513.65 | $455.76 | 1.127 |
| A12B3 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Public Facilities | $513.65 | $455.76 | 1.127 |
| A12C1 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Very High MDC Grouping | $1,261.83 | $1,025.23 | 1.231 |
| A12C2 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - High MDC Grouping | $959.32 | $894.34 | 1.073 |
| A12C3 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Moderate MDC Grouping | $712.25 | $504.43 | 1.412 |
| A12C4 | Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Low MDC Grouping | $473.99 | $429.57 | 1.103 |
| A13A1 | Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered | $127.54 | $117.99 | 1.081 |
| A13B1 | Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered - Private Overnight Facilities | $127.54 | $117.99 | 1.081 |
| A13B2 | Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered - Private Day Facilities | $127.54 | $117.99 | 1.081 |
| A13B3 | Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered - Public Facilities | $127.54 | $117.99 | 1.081 |
| A13C1 | Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered - No MDC Grouping | $127.54 | $117.99 | 1.081 |
| A19A1 | Drug Delivery Accessories | $40.35 | $21.43 | 1.883 |
| A19B1 | Drug Delivery Accessories - Private Overnight Facilities | $40.45 | $21.42 | 1.889 |
| A19B2 | Drug Delivery Accessories - Private Day Facilities | $20.23 | $13.56 | 1.492 |
| A19B3 | Drug Delivery Accessories - Public Facilities | $61.63 | $38.58 | 1.597 |
| A19C1 | Drug Delivery Accessories - No MDC Grouping | $40.35 | $21.43 | 1.883 |
| A21A1 | Feeding Tubes | $161.00 | $161.00 | 1.000 |
| A21B1 | Feeding Tubes - Private Overnight Facilities | $161.00 | $161.00 | 1.000 |
| A21B2 | Feeding Tubes - Private Day Facilities | $161.00 | $161.00 | 1.000 |
| A21B3 | Feeding Tubes - Public Facilities | $161.00 | $161.00 | 1.000 |
| A21C1 | Feeding Tubes - No MDC Grouping | $161.00 | $161.00 | 1.000 |
| A22A1 | Gastrostomy Tubes | $171.58 | $157.41 | 1.090 |
| A22B1 | Gastrostomy Tubes - Private Overnight Facilities | $173.76 | $158.99 | 1.093 |
| A22B2 | Gastrostomy Tubes - Private Day Facilities | $173.76 | $158.99 | 1.093 |
| A22B3 | Gastrostomy Tubes - Public Facilities | $162.86 | $151.00 | 1.079 |
| A22C1 | Gastrostomy Tubes - No MDC Grouping | $171.58 | $157.41 | 1.090 |
| A23A1 | Jejunostomy Tubes | $448.05 | $415.91 | 1.077 |
| A23B1 | Jejunostomy Tubes - Private Overnight Facilities | $448.05 | $415.91 | 1.077 |
| A23B2 | Jejunostomy Tubes - Private Day Facilities | $448.05 | $415.91 | 1.077 |
| A23B3 | Jejunostomy Tubes - Public Facilities | $448.05 | $415.91 | 1.077 |
| A23C1 | Jejunostomy Tubes - No MDC Grouping | $448.05 | $415.91 | 1.077 |
| A24A1 | Caecostomy Tubes | $336.55 | $320.00 | 1.052 |
| A24B1 | Caecostomy Tubes - Private Overnight Facilities | $336.55 | $320.00 | 1.052 |
| A24B2 | Caecostomy Tubes - Private Day Facilities | $336.55 | $320.00 | 1.052 |
| A24B3 | Caecostomy Tubes - Public Facilities | $336.55 | $320.00 | 1.052 |
| A24C1 | Caecostomy Tubes - No MDC Grouping | $336.55 | $320.00 | 1.052 |
| A31A1 | Percutaneous Catheters | $143.99 | $131.10 | 1.098 |
| A31B1 | Percutaneous Catheters - Private Overnight Facilities | $142.69 | $129.86 | 1.099 |
| A31B2 | Percutaneous Catheters - Private Day Facilities | $129.97 | $127.40 | 1.020 |
| A31B3 | Percutaneous Catheters - Public Facilities | $161.34 | $146.80 | 1.099 |
| A31C1 | Percutaneous Catheters - High MDC Grouping | $170.65 | $144.12 | 1.184 |
| A31C2 | Percutaneous Catheters - Low MDC Grouping | $140.93 | $129.47 | 1.088 |
| A41A1 | Occluder Pins | $286.00 | $286.00 | 1.000 |
| A41B1 | Occluder Pins - Private Overnight Facilities | $286.00 | $286.00 | 1.000 |
| A41B2 | Occluder Pins - Private Day Facilities | $286.00 | $286.00 | 1.000 |
| A41B3 | Occluder Pins - Public Facilities | $286.00 | $286.00 | 1.000 |
| A41C1 | Occluder Pins - No MDC Grouping | $286.00 | $286.00 | 1.000 |
| A42A1 | Powder | $118.44 | $95.64 | 1.238 |
| A42B1 | Powder - Private Overnight Facilities | $118.94 | $95.99 | 1.239 |
| A42B2 | Powder - Private Day Facilities | $118.94 | $95.99 | 1.239 |
| A42B3 | Powder - Public Facilities | $97.73 | $80.88 | 1.208 |
| A42C1 | Powder - High MDC Grouping | $175.79 | $123.39 | 1.425 |
| A42C2 | Powder - Moderate MDC Grouping | $144.96 | $124.19 | 1.167 |
| A42C3 | Powder - Low MDC Grouping | $94.84 | $79.70 | 1.190 |
| A43A1 | Sponges | $13.04 | $10.69 | 1.220 |
| A43B1 | Sponges - Private Overnight Facilities | $12.88 | $10.67 | 1.207 |
| A43B2 | Sponges - Private Day Facilities | $14.05 | $9.95 | 1.412 |
| A43B3 | Sponges - Public Facilities | $18.87 | $12.96 | 1.456 |
| A43C1 | Sponges - No MDC Grouping | $13.04 | $10.69 | 1.220 |
| A44A1 | Pliable Patches | $61.99 | $50.76 | 1.221 |
| A44B1 | Pliable Patches - Private Overnight Facilities | $62.47 | $51.42 | 1.215 |
| A44B2 | Pliable Patches - Private Day Facilities | $36.24 | $32.92 | 1.101 |
| A44B3 | Pliable Patches - Public Facilities | $63.56 | $43.08 | 1.475 |
| A44C1 | Pliable Patches - High MDC Grouping | $72.73 | $56.69 | 1.283 |
| A44C2 | Pliable Patches - Low MDC Grouping | $47.45 | $41.70 | 1.138 |
| A45A1 | Matrix | $698.62 | $547.02 | 1.277 |
| A45B1 | Matrix - Private Overnight Facilities | $700.89 | $549.74 | 1.275 |
| A45B2 | Matrix - Private Day Facilities | $440.11 | $404.77 | 1.087 |
| A45B3 | Matrix - Public Facilities | $634.20 | $449.17 | 1.412 |
| A45C1 | Matrix - Very High MDC Grouping | $833.05 | $488.10 | 1.707 |
| A45C2 | Matrix - High MDC Grouping | $750.51 | $567.54 | 1.322 |
| A45C3 | Matrix - Moderate MDC Grouping | $628.50 | $554.74 | 1.133 |
| A45C4 | Matrix - Low MDC Grouping | $453.37 | $434.92 | 1.042 |
| A46A1 | Foam | $146.91 | $93.00 | 1.580 |
| A46B1 | Foam - Private Overnight Facilities | $146.52 | $93.00 | 1.575 |
| A46B2 | Foam - Private Day Facilities | $164.00 | $93.00 | 1.763 |
| A46B3 | Foam - Public Facilities | $150.99 | $93.00 | 1.624 |
| A46C1 | Foam - No MDC Grouping | $146.91 | $93.00 | 1.580 |
| A49A1 | Haemostatic Accessories | $29.05 | $28.00 | 1.038 |
| A49B1 | Haemostatic Accessories - Private Overnight Facilities | $29.05 | $28.00 | 1.038 |
| A49B2 | Haemostatic Accessories - Private Day Facilities | $29.05 | $28.00 | 1.038 |
| A49B3 | Haemostatic Accessories - Public Facilities | $29.05 | $28.00 | 1.038 |
| A49C1 | Haemostatic Accessories - No MDC Grouping | $29.05 | $28.00 | 1.038 |
| A51A1 | Adhesion Barriers | $462.13 | $359.16 | 1.287 |
| A51B1 | Adhesion Barriers - Private Overnight Facilities | $467.79 | $361.70 | 1.293 |
| A51B2 | Adhesion Barriers - Private Day Facilities | $223.04 | $221.07 | 1.009 |
| A51B3 | Adhesion Barriers - Public Facilities | $467.79 | $361.70 | 1.293 |
| A51C1 | Adhesion Barriers - Very High MDC Grouping | $1,520.36 | $1,094.98 | 1.388 |
| A51C2 | Adhesion Barriers - High MDC Grouping | $1,123.32 | $585.36 | 1.919 |
| A51C3 | Adhesion Barriers - Moderate MDC Grouping | $414.25 | $328.48 | 1.261 |
| A51C4 | Adhesion Barriers - Low MDC Grouping | $142.68 | $114.81 | 1.243 |
| A52A1 | Internal Adhesives | $237.35 | $190.07 | 1.249 |
| A52B1 | Internal Adhesives - Private Overnight Facilities | $237.52 | $189.84 | 1.251 |
| A52B2 | Internal Adhesives - Private Day Facilities | $212.93 | $203.68 | 1.045 |
| A52B3 | Internal Adhesives - Public Facilities | $263.24 | $190.61 | 1.381 |
| A52C1 | Internal Adhesives - Very High MDC Grouping | $586.78 | $432.49 | 1.357 |
| A52C2 | Internal Adhesives - High MDC Grouping | $302.02 | $245.75 | 1.229 |
| A52C3 | Internal Adhesives - Moderate MDC Grouping | $201.47 | $171.86 | 1.172 |
| A52C4 | Internal Adhesives - Low MDC Grouping | $173.65 | $138.92 | 1.250 |
| A53A1 | Ligating Items | $155.59 | $55.83 | 2.787 |
| A53B1 | Ligating Items - Private Overnight Facilities | $155.06 | $55.80 | 2.779 |
| A53B2 | Ligating Items - Private Day Facilities | $182.70 | $82.07 | 2.226 |
| A53B3 | Ligating Items - Public Facilities | $166.01 | $55.80 | 2.975 |
| A53C1 | Ligating Items - Very High MDC Grouping | $202.42 | $37.44 | 5.407 |
| A53C2 | Ligating Items - High MDC Grouping | $174.20 | $67.40 | 2.585 |
| A53C3 | Ligating Items - Moderate MDC Grouping | $129.55 | $50.80 | 2.550 |
| A53C4 | Ligating Items - Low MDC Grouping | $78.17 | $33.42 | 2.339 |
| A54A1 | Staples and Tackers | $1,597.61 | $333.41 | 4.792 |
| A54B1 | Staples and Tackers - Private Overnight Facilities | $1,614.97 | $333.72 | 4.839 |
| A54B2 | Staples and Tackers - Private Day Facilities | $579.47 | $526.22 | 1.101 |
| A54B3 | Staples and Tackers - Public Facilities | $1,079.65 | $310.25 | 3.480 |
| A54C1 | Staples and Tackers - Very High MDC Grouping | $2,893.42 | $327.10 | 8.846 |
| A54C2 | Staples and Tackers - High MDC Grouping | $2,247.30 | $331.32 | 6.783 |
| A54C3 | Staples and Tackers - Moderate MDC Grouping | $1,329.81 | $315.00 | 4.222 |
| A54C4 | Staples and Tackers - Low MDC Grouping | $878.62 | $350.80 | 2.505 |
| A54C5 | Staples and Tackers - Very Low MDC Grouping | $398.75 | $304.98 | 1.307 |
| A55A1 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants | $682.18 | $584.65 | 1.167 |
| A55B1 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Private Overnight Facilities | $683.61 | $583.77 | 1.171 |
| A55B2 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Private Day Facilities | $625.54 | $625.54 | 1.000 |
| A55B3 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Public Facilities | $683.61 | $583.77 | 1.171 |
| A55C1 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - High MDC Grouping | $831.46 | $580.22 | 1.433 |
| A55C2 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Moderate MDC Grouping | $688.25 | $582.09 | 1.182 |
| A55C3 | Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Low MDC Grouping | $617.69 | $587.64 | 1.051 |
| A57A1 | Arterial Closure Items | $412.09 | $290.62 | 1.418 |
| A57B1 | Arterial Closure Items - Private Overnight Facilities | $414.66 | $290.63 | 1.427 |
| A57B2 | Arterial Closure Items - Private Day Facilities | $370.87 | $290.00 | 1.279 |
| A57B3 | Arterial Closure Items - Public Facilities | $371.44 | $290.50 | 1.279 |
| A57C1 | Arterial Closure Items - High MDC Grouping | $423.76 | $290.68 | 1.458 |
| A57C2 | Arterial Closure Items - Moderate MDC Grouping | $338.03 | $290.00 | 1.166 |
| A57C3 | Arterial Closure Items - Low MDC Grouping | $307.15 | $290.00 | 1.059 |
| A59A1 | Closure Accessories | $68.49 | $60.86 | 1.125 |
| A59B1 | Closure Accessories - Private Overnight Facilities | $68.51 | $60.94 | 1.124 |
| A59B2 | Closure Accessories - Private Day Facilities | $68.51 | $60.94 | 1.124 |
| A59B3 | Closure Accessories - Public Facilities | $64.56 | $47.05 | 1.372 |
| A59C1 | Closure Accessories - No MDC Grouping | $68.49 | $60.86 | 1.125 |
| A61A1 | Drainage Catheters | $197.00 | $171.96 | 1.146 |
| A61B1 | Drainage Catheters - Private Overnight Facilities | $197.75 | $172.41 | 1.147 |
| A61B2 | Drainage Catheters - Private Day Facilities | $197.75 | $172.41 | 1.147 |
| A61B3 | Drainage Catheters - Public Facilities | $175.68 | $158.68 | 1.107 |
| A61C1 | Drainage Catheters - High MDC Grouping | $259.45 | $232.77 | 1.115 |
| A61C2 | Drainage Catheters - Low MDC Grouping | $155.56 | $133.39 | 1.166 |

Table B2: General Use Item variation statistics

This table **supersedes Table D1** from the December 2022 advice. Provided as a supplementary table in MS Excel Workbook format.

# Appendix C – Listing of Changes to General Use Items

Table C1: Items removed from Part D of the PL between August 2022 and March 2023

| **Product class** | **August 2022 PL billing code** |
| --- | --- |
| A22 | Gastrostomy Tubes | WC070 |
| WC072 |
| A31 | Percutaneous Catheters | WC111 |
| WC201 |
| WC204 |
| WC205 |
| A51 | Adhesion Barriers | JJ464 |
| A53 | Ligating Items | AK012 |
| CK002 |
| ER650 |
| WA011 |
| A56 | Dura Repair, Membrane Sealants | BX343 |
| BX344 |
| LH719 |
| LH720 |
| LH721 |
| LH723 |

Table C2: Items added to Part D of the PL between August 2022 and March 2023

| **Product class** | **March 2023 PL billing code** |
| --- | --- |
| A61 | Drainage Catheters | DE603 |
| FN002 |
| FN005 |
| FN006 |
| ME207 |
| ME208 |
| MS065 |
| OW008 |
| RK001 |
| WA001 |
| WA002 |
| WA005 |

Table C3: Changes to GUI benefits from the March 2023 PL to 1 July 2023

| **March 2023 PL billing code** | **March 2023 PL schedule benefit** | **1 July 2023 benefit** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| FN005 | $134 | $125 |
| FN006 | $91 | $57 |
| ME208 | $134 | $121 |
| OW008 | $134 | $125 |
| WA001 | $134 | $121 |
| WA002 | $134 | $121 |
| WA005 | $106 | $95 |

Table C4: Differences in March 2023 PL scheduled benefits from what was expected in December 2022 advice

| **Product class** | **March 2023 PL billing code** | **Expected March 2023 PL scheduled benefit used in December 2022 Advice** | **March 2023 PL scheduled benefit** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| A52 | Internal Adhesives | MN229 | $128 | $23 |
| A53 | Ligating Items | LV086 | $180 | $96 |

Table C5: Changes to GUI billing codes from August 2022 PL to March 2023 PL

| **Product class** | **August 2022 PL billing code** | **March 2023 PL billing code** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| A57 | Arterial Closure Items | DO009 | JW005 |
| DO012 | JW008 |
| DO025 | JW015 |

Table C6: GUI bundle variants removed from the bundling advice

| **Product class** | **Bundle variant** | **Bundle benefit** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| A56 | Dura Repair, Membrane Sealants | A56A1 | Dura Repair, Membrane Sealants | $378.50 |
| A56B1 | Dura Repair, Membrane Sealants - Private Overnight Facilities | $378.50 |
| A56B2 | Dura Repair, Membrane Sealants - Private Day Facilities | $378.50 |
| A56B3 | Dura Repair, Membrane Sealants - Public Facilities | $378.50 |
| A56C1 | Dura Repair, Membrane Sealants - No MDC Grouping | $378.50 |

Table C7: GUI bundle variants added to the bundling advice

| **Product class** | **Bundle variant** | **Bundle benefit** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| A61 | Drainage Catheters | A61A1 | Drainage Catheters | $197.00 |
| A61B1 | Drainage Catheters - Private Overnight Facilities | $197.75 |
| A61B2 | Drainage Catheters - Private Day Facilities | $197.75 |
| A61B3 | Drainage Catheters - Public Facilities | $175.68 |
| A61C1 | Drainage Catheters - High MDC Grouping | $259.45 |
| A61C2 | Drainage Catheters - Low MDC Grouping | $155.56 |

Table C8: Illustration of changes to the MDC-based bundle variants for the A52 product class

|  | **Grouping of MDCs** |
| --- | --- |
| **Product class** | **Bundle variant** | **December 2022 advice** | **Supplementary advice** |
| A52Internal Adhesives | A52C1 | Internal Adhesives - Very High MDC Grouping | 00 04 10 | 00 04 10 |
| A52C2 | Internal Adhesives - High MDC Grouping | 01 02 05 06 07 16 17 98 | 01 02 05 06 07 16 17 98 |
| A52C3 | Internal Adhesives - Moderate MDC Grouping | 03 11 12 **13** 18 20 21A 21B | 03 11 12 **14** 18 20 21A 21B |
| A52C4 | Internal Adhesives - Low MDC Grouping | 08 09 **14** 15 19 22 23 99 | 08 09 **13** 15 19 22 23 99 |

Table C9: Changes to the bundle benefits of GUI bundle variants

|  |  |  |  | **Bundle benefit** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Product class** | **Bundle variant** | **December 2022 advice** | **Supplementary advice** | **Change** |
| A22 | Gastrostomy Tubes | A22A1 | Gastrostomy Tubes | $170.22 | $171.58 | $1.36 |
| A22B1 | Gastrostomy Tubes - Private Overnight Facilities | $172.15 | $173.76 | $1.61 |
| A22B2 | Gastrostomy Tubes - Private Day Facilities | $172.15 | $173.76 | $1.61 |
| A22B3 | Gastrostomy Tubes - Public Facilities | $162.45 | $162.86 | $0.41 |
| A22C1 | Gastrostomy Tubes - No MDC Grouping | $170.22 | $171.58 | $1.36 |
| A51 | Adhesion Barriers | A51A1 | Adhesion Barriers | $462.10 | $462.13 | $0.03 |
| A51B1 | Adhesion Barriers - Private Overnight Facilities | $467.76 | $467.79 | $0.03 |
| A51B3 | Adhesion Barriers - Public Facilities | $467.76 | $467.79 | $0.03 |
| A51C3 | Adhesion Barriers - Moderate MDC Grouping | $414.19 | $414.25 | $0.06 |
| A52 | Internal Adhesives | A52A1 | Internal Adhesives | $280.39 | $237.35 | -$43.04 |
| A52B1 | Internal Adhesives - Private Overnight Facilities | $280.63 | $237.52 | -$43.11 |
| A52B2 | Internal Adhesives - Private Day Facilities | $245.63 | $212.93 | -$32.70 |
| A52B3 | Internal Adhesives - Public Facilities | $318.39 | $263.24 | -$55.15 |
| A52C1 | Internal Adhesives - Very High MDC Grouping | $611.15 | $586.78 | -$24.37 |
| A52C2 | Internal Adhesives - High MDC Grouping | $346.84 | $302.02 | -$44.82 |
| A52C3 | Internal Adhesives - Moderate MDC Grouping | $250.98 | $201.47 | -$49.51 |
| A52C4 | Internal Adhesives - Low MDC Grouping | $214.78 | $173.65 | -$41.13 |
| A53 | Ligating Items | A53B1 | Ligating Items - Private Overnight Facilities | $155.05 | $155.06 | $0.01 |
| A53C2 | Ligating Items - High MDC Grouping | $174.19 | $174.20 | $0.01 |



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1. [Advice on Bundling Arrangements for General Use Items on the Prostheses List – December 2022](https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/advice-on-bundling-arrangements-for-general-use-items-on-the-prostheses-list) [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
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