

## 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

# 1. Background

## 1.1 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.<sup>1</sup> 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.

## 1.2 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<sup>2</sup> and through the IHACPA Prostheses List Reform Working Group.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Advice on Bundling Arrangements for General Use Items on the Prostheses List – December 2022

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Consultation Paper on Bundling Arrangements for General Use Items on the Prostheses List

# 1.3 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.

# 2. Supplementary Advice on Bundling Arrangements for General Use Items

## 2.1 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.

## 2.2 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.

#### 2.2.1 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.

#### 2.2.2 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

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'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.<sup>3</sup> 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.

#### 2.2.3 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.

#### 2.2.4 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.

### 2.3 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The intended GUI benefit reductions are specified under the <u>Memorandum of Understanding for the policy</u> <u>parameters of the Prostheses List Reforms</u>

#### 2.3.1 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.

#### 2.3.2 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.

## 2.3.3 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.

#### 2.3.4 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	Prod	uct class	1 July 2023 benefit	March 2023 Prosthesis List billing codes
			28	BB349 RN006 SI049 SI050 TX057 TX058 TY001
			92	BU024 BX247 BX281 BX287 BX327 BX328 CU003 SQ146 UX001 UX002
	A11	Infusion Pumps, Balloon	142	RN004 SI051 TX060
	ATT	Based	260	UX003
			319	CU004 SQ035 UX004
			367	BU025 BX249 BX330 CU005 RN007 SQ037 TX059
	A12	Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered	407	DQ002 FX003 FX004
A1 Drug Delivery	AIZ		2805	DE776 FK017 FX002 RE001 RE002 SI034 SI045 SI052
	A13	Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered	76	BX326
			233	CU001 CU002 DQ001 LE002
		9 Drug Delivery Accessories	7	RX003 SI026 SI028 SI040
			8	AN016 RX002
	A19		26	BX245 DE777 FX001 RE003 SI024
			45	SI046 SQ069
			72	BX286 SQ070 SQ142
	A21	Feeding Tubes	161	KI010
A2 Enteral Access	A22	A22 Gastrostomy Tubes	82	BS142 DO021 DO024 FK012 KI005 KI007 NF001 WC334
			99	WC335

Product branch	Prod	uct class	1 July 2023 benefit	March 2023 Prosthesis List billing codes
			185	BA047 BS141 DE536 DE541 DE546 DE564 DO020 DO022 DO023 FK008 FK011 FK013 FK018 KI001 KI002 KI004 WC185
	A23	Jejunostomy Tubes	154	WC098 WC099
	723	Jejunostonny Tubes	451	FK009 FK010 FK014 FK015 FK016 KI014 KI016 KI017
	A24	Caecostomy Tubes	320	WC197
			71	TX030
			96	BA130 TX026 TX027 TX028
			104	TX031 TX032 TX033 TX034 WC230 WC231 WC321
A3 Vascular Access	A31	Percutaneous Catheters	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
	A41	Occluder Pins	286	PV001
			45	BA260 BA301 BX346 JJ636 LH408 SV053
			46	BA284 BA285
		42 Powder	90	AB084 SV054
			107	BX336
	A42		132	BA261 BF024 BX345 BX347 MN234
			154	VM001
			158	BX337
A4 Haemostatic			217	AB083 BA262 BX348 SV055
			497	WA004
			8	JJ003 JJ005 JJ015 LH405 LH410 LH411 LH412 LH414
	A 4 2	Sponges	15	JJ006 JJ007 PU059
	A43		27	JJ004
			64	PU060
			8	LH424 LM487
	A44 Pliable Patches	Pliable Patches	19	BG002 JJ013 JJ014
			26	LH423 LM486

Product branch	Product class	1 July 2023 benefit	March 2023 Prosthesis List billing codes
		33	BG001 JJ023 JJ432
		34	JJ009 JJ012 MN112
		39	JJ008
		69	JJ030 MN116
		91	JJ433
		98	JJ029 MN117
		122	AN009
		277	AN008
	A45 Matrix	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
		94	ET082
		158	JJ010
		226	
	A51 Adhesion Barriers	312	
		411	FJ003
		595	
		1173	
A5		23	BB382 BB383 DE721 LH596 MI286 MI317 MN229
Closure		52	
		128	BX252 DE720 LH597 MN230
		129	JI006
	A52 Internal Adhesives	208	
		301	BX334 BX335
		323	
		412	
		516	BX253

Product branch	Product class	1 July 2023 benefit	March 2023 Prosthesis List billing codes
		588	AB003 BX215 BX284
		718	BA265
		963	BX254
		1177	AB004 BX216 BX285 MN204
		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
	AF2 Lighting Itoms	52	BB016 BB301 BB321 CK001 GQ006 GQ007 JJ040
	A53 Ligating Items	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
		50	DE610
		69	MN214
	A54 Staples and Tackers	162	AS228 MI304
		198	GT224 GT228
		210	AS076 AS081 AS092 IJ017 IJ019 MI215 MI216 MI455 MN213 MN218 MN220 OB003 OB006 OB010 OX038 OX039 OX040

Product branch	Prod	uct class	1 July 2023 benefit	March 2023 Prosthesis List billing codes
			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	580	HW659 HW660 IG141 MN203
	700	Sealants	629	IG142 MN202
	Δ57	Arterial Closure Items	290	JW005 JW008 JW015 SJ452 SJ459 SJ463 TU061 TU067
	731		608	SJ451
	A59 Closure /	59 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

Product branch	Product class	1 July 2023 benefit	March 2023 Prosthesis List billing codes
		57	FN006
A6		95	WA005
Pulmonary /	A61 Drainage Catheters	121	ME208 WA001 WA002
Peritoneal		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
	A11A1 Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based	\$132.86
A1 Drug Delivery	A12A1 Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered	\$513.65
	A13A1 Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered	\$127.54
	A19A1 Drug Delivery Accessories	\$40.35
	A21A1 Feeding Tubes	\$161.00
A2 Enteral Access	A22A1 Gastrostomy Tubes	\$171.58
AZ EIItelai Access	A23A1 Jejunostomy Tubes	\$448.05
	A24A1 Caecostomy Tubes	\$336.55
A3 Vascular Access	A31A1 Percutaneous Catheters	\$143.99
	A41A1 Occluder Pins	\$286.00
	A42A1 Powder	\$118.44
A4 Haemostatic	A43A1 Sponges	\$13.04
	A44A1 Pliable Patches	\$61.99
	A45A1 Matrix	\$698.62
A4 Haemostatic	A46A1 Foam	\$146.91
	A49A1 Haemostatic Accessories	\$29.05
	A51A1 Adhesion Barriers	\$462.13
	A52A1 Internal Adhesives	\$237.35
	A53A1 Ligating Items	\$155.59
A5 Closure	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

Product class	Bundle variant	Bundle benefit
	A11B1 Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Private Overnight Facilities	\$147.78
A11 Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based	A11B2 Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Private Day Facilities	\$52.62
	A11B3 Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Public Facilities	\$201.49
	A12B1 Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Private Overnight Facilities	\$513.65
A12 Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered	A12B2 Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Private Day Facilities	\$513.65
	A12B3 Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Public Facilities	\$513.65
	A13B1 Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered - Private Overnight Facilities	\$127.54
A13 Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered	A13B2 Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered - Private Day Facilities	\$127.54
	A13B3 Infusion Pumps, Spring Powered - Public Facilities	\$127.54
	A19B1 Drug Delivery Accessories - Private Overnight Facilities	\$40.45
A19 Drug Delivery Accessories	A19B2 Drug Delivery Accessories - Private Day Facilities	\$20.23
	A19B3 Drug Delivery Accessories - Public Facilities	\$61.63
101	A21B1 Feeding Tubes - Private Overnight Facilities	\$161.00
A21 Feeding Tubes	A21B2 Feeding Tubes - Private Day Facilities	\$161.00
	A21B3 Feeding Tubes - Public Facilities	\$161.00
400	A22B1 Gastrostomy Tubes - Private Overnight Facilities	\$173.76
A22 Gastrostomy Tubes	A22B2 Gastrostomy Tubes - Private Day Facilities	\$173.76
	A22B3 Gastrostomy Tubes - Public Facilities	\$162.86
400	A23B1 Jejunostomy Tubes - Private Overnight Facilities	\$448.05
A23 Jejunostomy Tubes	A23B2 Jejunostomy Tubes - Private Day Facilities	\$448.05
	A23B3 Jejunostomy Tubes - Public Facilities	\$448.05
104	A24B1 Caecostomy Tubes - Private Overnight Facilities	\$336.55
A24 Caecostomy Tubes	A24B2 Caecostomy Tubes - Private Day Facilities	\$336.55
- ,	A24B3 Caecostomy Tubes - Public Facilities	\$336.55
101	A31B1 Percutaneous Catheters - Private Overnight Facilities	\$142.69
A31 Percutaneous Catheters	A31B2 Percutaneous Catheters - Private Day Facilities	\$129.97
-	A31B3 Percutaneous Catheters - Public Facilities	\$161.34

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

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Product class	Bundle variant	Bundle benefit
	A41B1 Occluder Pins - Private Overnight Facilities	\$286.00
A41 Occluder Pins	A41B2 Occluder Pins - Private Day Facilities	\$286.00
	A41B3 Occluder Pins - Public Facilities	\$286.00
440	A42B1 Powder - Private Overnight Facilities	\$118.94
A42 Powder	A42B2 Powder - Private Day Facilities	\$118.94
	A42B3 Powder - Public Facilities	\$97.73
A 40	A43B1 Sponges - Private Overnight Facilities	\$12.88
	A43B2 Sponges - Private Day Facilities	\$14.05
	A43B3 Sponges - Public Facilities	\$18.87
	A44B1 Pliable Patches - Private Overnight Facilities	\$62.47
A44 Pliable Patches	A41 Occluder Pins A41B1 Occluder Pins - Private Overnight Facilities   A41B2 Occluder Pins - Private Day Facilities   A42 A41B3 Occluder Pins - Public Facilities   A42 A42B1 Powder - Private Overnight Facilities   A42B2 Powder - Private Day Facilities   A42B3 Powder - Public Facilities   A43B Sponges A43B1   A43B Sponges - Private Overnight Facilities   A43B3 Sponges - Private Overnight Facilities   A43B3 Sponges - Private Overnight Facilities   A44B Pliable Patches - Private Overnight Facilities   A44 A44B1 Pliable Patches - Private Day Facilities   A44B Pliable Patches - Private Day Facilities   A45B Matrix - Private Overnight Facilities   A45B Matrix - Private Overnight Facilities   A45B Matrix - Private Overnight Facilities   A46 Foam A46B1   Foam A46B1 Foam - Private Overnight Fac	\$36.24
	A44B3 Pliable Patches - Public Facilities	\$63.56
	A45B1 Matrix - Private Overnight Facilities	\$700.89
	A45B2 Matrix - Private Day Facilities	\$440.11
	A45B3 Matrix - Public Facilities	\$634.20
A 40	A46B1 Foam - Private Overnight Facilities	\$146.52
	A46B2 Foam - Private Day Facilities	\$164.00
	A46B3 Foam - Public Facilities	\$150.99
	A49B1 Haemostatic Accessories - Private Overnight Facilities	\$29.05
A49 Haemostatic Accessories	A49B2 Haemostatic Accessories - Private Day Facilities	\$29.05
	A49B3 Haemostatic Accessories - Public Facilities	\$29.05
	A51B1 Adhesion Barriers - Private Overnight Facilities	\$467.79
A51 Adhesion Barriers	A51B2 Adhesion Barriers - Private Day Facilities	\$223.04
	A51B3 Adhesion Barriers - Public Facilities	\$467.79
	A52B1 Internal Adhesives - Private Overnight Facilities	\$237.52
A52 Internal Adhesives	A52B2 Internal Adhesives - Private Day Facilities	\$212.93
	A52B3 Internal Adhesives - Public Facilities	\$263.24
	A53B1 Ligating Items - Private Overnight Facilities	\$155.06
		\$182.70
	A53B3 Ligating Items - Public Facilities	\$166.01

Product class	Bundle variant	Bundle benefit
	A54B1 Staples and Tackers - Private Overnight Facilities	\$1,614.97
A54 Staples and Tackers	A54B2 Staples and Tackers - Private Day Facilities	\$579.47
	A54B3 Staples and Tackers - Public Facilities	\$1,079.65
	A55B1 Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Private Overnight Facilities	\$683.61
A55 Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants	A55B2 Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Private Day Facilities	\$625.54
	A55B3 Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Public Facilities	\$683.61
	A57B1 Arterial Closure Items - Private Overnight Facilities	\$414.66
A57 Arterial Closure Items	A57B2 Arterial Closure Items - Private Day Facilities	\$370.87
	A57B3 Arterial Closure Items - Public Facilities	\$371.44
150	A59B1 Closure Accessories - Private Overnight Facilities	\$68.51
A59 Closure Accessories	A59B2 Closure Accessories - Private Day Facilities	\$68.51
	A59B3 Closure Accessories - Public Facilities	\$64.56
	A61B1 Drainage Catheters - Private Overnight Facilities	\$197.75
A61 Drainage Catheters	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

Product class		Bundle variant	Grouping of MDCs	Grouping of DRG first characters
	A11C1	Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Very High MDC Grouping	05 18 21A 21B	FTWX
A11 Infusion Pumps, Balloon	A11C2	Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - High MDC Grouping	00 01 09 10 11 12	ABJKLM
Based	A11C3	Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Moderate MDC Grouping	03 04 06 07 08 13 14 16 98	DEGHINOQ8
	A11C4	Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Low MDC Grouping	02 15 17 19 20 22 23 99	CPRUVYZ9
	A12C1	Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Very High MDC Grouping	01 05 16 17	B F Q R
A12 Infusion Pumps, Battery	A12C2	Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - High MDC Grouping	04 18	ЕТ
Powered	A12C3	Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Moderate MDC Grouping	03 06 07 09 11 13	DGHJLN
	A12C4	Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Low MDC Grouping	00 02 08 10 12 14 15 19 20 21A 21B 22 23 98 99	ACIKMOPUVWXYZ89
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	ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQ RTUVWXYZ89
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	ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQ RTUVWXYZ89
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	ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQ RTUVWXYZ89
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	ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQ RTUVWXYZ89
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	ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQ RTUVWXYZ89
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	ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQ RTUVWXYZ89
A31	A31C1	Percutaneous Catheters - High MDC Grouping	00 17	AR
Percutaneous Catheters	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	BCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQT UVWXYZ89
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	ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQ RTUVWXYZ89
A42	A42C1	Powder - High MDC Grouping	06 07 13 16 21A 21B	GHNQWX
Powder	A42C2	Powder - Moderate MDC Grouping	04 09 11 12 14 15 17 23 98	EJLMOPRZ8

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Product class Bund		Bundle variant	Grouping of MDCs	Grouping of DRG first characters
	A42C3	Powder - Low MDC Grouping	00 01 02 03 05 08 10 18 19 20 22 99	ABCDFIKTUVY9
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	ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQ RTUVWXYZ89
A44	A44C1	Pliable Patches - High MDC Grouping	00 04 05 06 07 08 11 12 13 14 15 19 20 21A 21B 22	AEFGHILMNOPUVWXY
Pliable Patches	A44C2	Pliable Patches - Low MDC Grouping	01 02 03 09 10 16 17 18 23 98 99	BCDJKQRTZ89
	A45C1	Matrix - Very High MDC Grouping	00 10 19 98	A K U 8
A45	A45C2	Matrix - High MDC Grouping	01 05 06 07 08 15 16 17 18 20 22	BFGHIPQRTVY
Matrix	A45C3	Matrix - Moderate MDC Grouping	02 04 09 11 12 13 14 21A 21B 23	CEJLMNOWXZ
	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	ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQ RTUVWXYZ89
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	ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQ RTUVWXYZ89
	A51C1	Adhesion Barriers - Very High MDC Grouping	08	1
A51	A51C2	Adhesion Barriers - High MDC Grouping	01 07 98	B H 8
Adhesion Barriers	A51C3	Adhesion Barriers - Moderate MDC Grouping	00 06 09 10 11 12 13 16 17 19 20 21A 21B 22 23	AGJKLMNQRUVWXYZ
	A51C4	Adhesion Barriers - Low MDC Grouping	02 03 04 05 14 15 18 99	CDEFOPT9
	A52C1	Internal Adhesives - Very High MDC Grouping	00 04 10	АЕК
A52	A52C2	Internal Adhesives - High MDC Grouping	01 02 05 06 07 16 17 98	BCFGHQR8
Internal Adhesives	A52C3	Internal Adhesives - Moderate MDC Grouping	03 11 12 14 18 20 21A 21B	DLMOTVWX
	A52C4	Internal Adhesives - Low MDC Grouping	08 09 13 15 19 22 23 99	IJNPUYZ9
	A53C1	Ligating Items - Very High MDC Grouping	00 12 19	AMU
A53	A53C2	Ligating Items - High MDC Grouping	05 06 07 11 17 18 21A 21B	FGHLRTWX
Ligating Items	A53C3	Ligating Items - Moderate MDC Grouping	03 09 10 13 14 20 22 98	DJKNOVY8
	A53C4	Ligating Items - Low MDC Grouping	01 02 04 08 15 16 23 99	BCEIPQZ9
	A54C1	Staples and Tackers - Very High MDC Grouping	10	К
A54	A54C2	Staples and Tackers - High MDC Grouping	04 07	EH
Staples and Tackers	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	DFGIN

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Product class		Bundle variant	Grouping of MDCs	Grouping of DRG first characters
	A54C5	Staples and Tackers - Very Low MDC Grouping	01 09 12 14 15 99	ВЈМОР9
A55	A55C1	Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - High MDC Grouping	10	К
Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants	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	AGHJLMOPQTUVWXYZ 8
Sealants	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
	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
A57 Arterial Closure Items	A57C2	Arterial Closure Items - Moderate MDC Grouping	01 03 06 08 09 10 16 17 18 21A 21B	BDGIJKQRTWX
	A57C3	Arterial Closure Items - Low MDC Grouping	04 07 11 12 13 23 99	EHLMNZ9
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	ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQ RTUVWXYZ89
A61	A61C1	Drainage Catheters - High MDC Grouping	00 05 06	AFG
Drainage Catheters	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	BCDEHIJKLMNOPQRTU VWXYZ89

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

Product class	Bundle variant	Bundle benefit
	A11C1 Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Very High MDC Grouping	\$410.32
A11	A11C2 Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - High MDC Grouping	\$295.89
Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based	A11C3 Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Moderate MDC Grouping	\$204.12
	A11C4 Infusion Pumps, Balloon Based - Low MDC Grouping	\$67.04
	A12C1 Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - Very High MDC Grouping	\$1,261.83
A12	A12C2 Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered - High MDC Grouping	\$959.32
Infusion Pumps, Battery Powered	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	A31C1 Percutaneous Catheters - High MDC Grouping	\$170.65
Percutaneous Catheters	A31C2 Percutaneous Catheters - Low MDC Grouping	\$140.93
A41 Occluder Pins	A41C1 Occluder Pins - No MDC Grouping	\$286.00
	A42C1 Powder - High MDC Grouping	\$175.79
A42 Powder	A42C2 Powder - Moderate MDC Grouping	\$144.96
	A42C3 Powder - Low MDC Grouping	\$94.84
A43 Sponges	A43C1 Sponges - No MDC Grouping	\$13.04
A44	A44C1 Pliable Patches - High MDC Grouping	\$72.73
Pliable Patches	A44C2 Pliable Patches - Low MDC Grouping	\$47.45

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Product class	Bundle variant	Bundle benefit
	A45C1 Matrix - Very High MDC Grouping	\$833.05
A45	A45C2 Matrix - High MDC Grouping	\$750.51
Matrix	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
	A51C1 Adhesion Barriers - Very High MDC Grouping	\$1,520.36
A51	A51C2 Adhesion Barriers - High MDC Grouping	\$1,123.32
Adhesion Barriers	A51C3 Adhesion Barriers - Moderate MDC Grouping	\$414.25
	A51C4 Adhesion Barriers - Low MDC Grouping	\$142.68
	A52C1 Internal Adhesives - Very High MDC Grouping	\$586.78
A52	A52C2 Internal Adhesives - High MDC Grouping	\$302.02
Internal Adhesives	A52C3 Internal Adhesives - Moderate MDC Grouping	\$201.47
	A52C4 Internal Adhesives - Low MDC Grouping	\$173.65
	A53C1 Ligating Items - Very High MDC Grouping	\$202.42
A53	A53C2 Ligating Items - High MDC Grouping	\$174.20
Ligating Items	A53C3 Ligating Items - Moderate MDC Grouping	\$129.55
	A53C4 Ligating Items - Low MDC Grouping	\$78.17
	A54C1 Staples and Tackers - Very High MDC Grouping	\$2,893.42
	A54C2 Staples and Tackers - High MDC Grouping	\$2,247.30
A54 Staples and Tackers	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
	A55C1 Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - High MDC Grouping	\$831.46
A55 Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants	A55C2 Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Moderate MDC Grouping	\$688.25
	A55C3 Dura Repair, Liquid Sealants - Low MDC Grouping	\$617.69
	A57C1 Arterial Closure Items - High MDC Grouping	\$423.76
A57 Arterial Closure Items	A57C2 Arterial Closure Items - Moderate MDC Grouping	\$338.03
	A57C3 Arterial Closure Items - Low MDC Grouping	\$307.15

Product class	Bundle variant	Bundle benefit
A59 Closure Accessories	A59C1 Closure Accessories - No MDC Grouping	\$68.49
A61	A61C1 Drainage Catheters - High MDC Grouping	\$259.45
Drainage Catheters	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		\$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

Bundle variant	Bundle variant description	Average benefits per episode	Average benefits per item	Average items per episode
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

Bundle variant	Bundle variant description	Average benefits per episode	Average benefits per item	Average items per episode
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

Bundle variant	Bundle variant description	Average benefits per episode	Average benefits per item	Average items per episode
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
722	Gastrostomy Tubes	WC072
		WC111
A31	Percutaneous	WC201
7.01	Catheters	WC204
		WC205
A51	Adhesion Barriers	JJ464
	Ligating Items	AK012
A53		CK002
700		ER650
		WA011
		BX343
		BX344
A56	Dura Repair,	LH719
7.00	Membrane Sealants	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
		DE603
		FN002
		FN005
		FN006
A61	Drainage Catheters	ME207
AUT	Drainage Gameters	ME208
		MS065
		OW008
		RK001
		WA001

Product class	March 2023 PL billing code
	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
		DO009	JW005
A57	A57 Arterial Closure Items	DO012	JW008
		DO025	JW015

#### Table C6: GUI bundle variants removed from the bundling advice

Product class		Bundle variant		
		A56A1	Dura Repair, Membrane Sealants	\$378.50
	Dura Repair,	A56B1	Dura Repair, Membrane Sealants - Private Overnight Facilities	\$378.50
A56	Membrane	A56B2	Dura Repair, Membrane Sealants - Private Day Facilities	\$378.50
	Sealants	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

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Product class	Bundle variant		Bundle benefit
	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	
	A52C1	Internal Adhesives - Very High MDC Grouping	00 04 10	00 04 10	
A52 Internal	A52C2	Internal Adhesives - High MDC Grouping	01 02 05 06 07 16 17 98	01 02 05 06 07 16 17 98	
Adhesives	A52C3	Internal Adhesives - Moderate MDC Grouping	03 11 12 <b>13</b> 18 20 21A 21B	03 11 12 <b>14</b> 18 20 21A 21B	
	A52C4	Internal Adhesives - Low MDC Grouping	08 09 <b>14</b> 15 19 22 23 99	08 09 <b>13</b> 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	
		A22A1	Gastrostomy Tubes	\$170.22	\$171.58	\$1.36	
		A22B1	Gastrostomy Tubes - Private Overnight Facilities	\$172.15	\$173.76	\$1.61	
A22	Gastrostomy Tubes	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	
		A51A1	Adhesion Barriers	\$462.10	\$462.13	\$0.03	
A	Adhesion Barriers	A51B1	Adhesion Barriers - Private Overnight Facilities	\$467.76	\$467.79	\$0.03	
A51		A51B3	Adhesion Barriers - Public Facilities	\$467.76	\$467.79	\$0.03	
		A51C3	Adhesion Barriers - Moderate MDC Grouping	\$414.19	\$414.25	\$0.06	
		A52A1	Internal Adhesives	\$280.39	\$237.35	-\$43.04	
		A52B1	Internal Adhesives - Private Overnight Facilities	\$280.63	\$237.52	-\$43.11	
	Internal Adhesives	A52B2	Internal Adhesives - Private Day Facilities	\$245.63	\$212.93	-\$32.70	
A52		A52B3	Internal Adhesives - Public Facilities	\$318.39	\$263.24	-\$55.15	
A92		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	
4.50	Ligating	A53B1	Ligating Items - Private Overnight Facilities	\$155.05	\$155.06	\$0.01	
A53	Items	A53C2	Ligating Items - High MDC Grouping	\$174.19	\$174.20	\$0.01	



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