

2017 scheme for the viability supplement

Under this scheme, your service must score at least 50 points out of a total 100 points to be eligible for the [viability supplement](#). To work out the number of points for your service, follow the steps below.

Step 1: work out the MMM rating of your service

Use the [Health Workforce Locator](#) to search for the street address of your service. Select the Modified Monash Model (MMM) and choose 2015 to get the MMM rating. Score as follows:

- MMM 1 – 0 points
- MMM 2 – 0 points
- MMM 3 – 0 points
- MMM 4 – 30 points
- MMM 5 – 40 points
- MMM 6 – 55 points
- MMM 7 – 65 points

Step 2: add points for very remote locations with lower care needs

Add 15 points if:

- your service is in a MMM 5, MMM 6 or MMM 7 location **and**
- more than 50% of the residents have lower care needs

Residents with lower care needs are those who have an ACFI appraisal that does **not** include any of the following:

- high ADL domain category
- high CHC domain category
- high behaviour domain category
- a medium domain category in at least 2 domains

Step 3: add points for caring for people with more complex needs

Add 60 points if your service has more than 50% of care recipients who qualify as homeless or Indigenous Australians with complex behavioural needs and social disadvantage.

See [viability supplement – expansion](#) for information on meeting the eligibility criteria for this step.

Step 4: adjust the total

If the total of steps 1, 2 and 3 is more than 65 points, reduce the total to 65 points.

Step 5: work out points for number of occupied places

Work out the points for your service as follows and add to your total:

- Fewer than 20 occupied places – 30 points
- 20 to 24 occupied places – 25 points
- 25 to 29 occupied places – 20 points
- 30 to 34 occupied places – 15 points
- 35 to 39 occupied places – 10 points
- 40 to 44 occupied places – 5 points

Step 6: add points for caring for people with special needs

Add 5 points if more than 50% of care recipients have special needs.

This does not include people who have special needs only because they live in rural or remote areas or are financially or socially disadvantaged.

The result is your service's points score for the 2017 scheme.

Contact

If you have questions about the viability supplement, email subsidiesandsupplements@health.gov.au

More information

- [Viability supplement expansion](#)
- [1997, 2001 and 2005 schemes for the viability supplement](#)
- [Viability supplement for care providers](#) on the Department of Human Services website