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- There are three Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) items (item 16530, item 16531, and item 35643) (Attachment B) which could be used to provide rebates for the surgical termination of pregnancy. These items are not specific to pregnancy termination and may be used for procedures to the uterus when performed for a range of other reasons, including miscarriage.

s22(1)(a)(ii)

Attachments

A: MBS Service volumes for items which could be used for Surgical Termination

s22(1)(a)(ii)

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MBS service volumes for items which could be used for Surgical Termination

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MBS Item 35643

Item start date: 1 December 1991

Previous item 6469 start date from 1 February 1984

Evacuation of the contents of the gravid uterus by curettage or suction curettage other than a service to which item 35640 applies, including procedures to which item 35626, 35627 or 35630 applies, if performed. (Anaes.)

Fee: \$221.50 Benefit: 75% = \$166.15 85% = \$188.30

	Usage by State and Territory					Total
	NSW/ACT	VIC/TAS	QLD	SA/NT	WA	
2015	21,789	14,072	10,614	770	6,744	53,989
2016	20,077	12,684	10,403	705	5,131	49,000
2017	19,344	11,910	9,382	639	4,788	46,063
2018	18,061	11,147	8,609	544	4,268	42,629
2019	16,018	9,149	7,806	468	3,646	37,087
Jan - Nov						
Total	95,289	58,962	46,814	3,126	24,577	228,768

	Benefits by State and Territory					Total
	NSW/ACT	VIC/TAS	QLD	SA/NT	WA	
2015	\$3,892,607	\$2,319,449	\$1,759,782	\$127,711	\$1,182,965	\$9,282,513
2016	\$3,605,572	\$2,099,832	\$1,719,380	\$116,818	\$908,375	\$8,449,977
2017	\$3,461,676	\$1,964,530	\$1,550,198	\$106,345	\$845,179	\$7,927,928
2018	\$3,226,056	\$1,828,356	\$1,420,578	\$89,189	\$751,564	\$7,315,744
2019 Jan - Nov	\$2,876,785	\$1,511,035	\$1,297,030	\$78,026	\$646,169	\$6,409,045

MBS Item 16530

Item start date: 1 November 2017

Previous item 16525

Management of pregnancy loss, from 14 weeks to 15 weeks and 6 days gestation, other than a service to which item 16531, 35640 or 35643 applies. (Anaes.)

Fee: \$390.50 Benefit: 75% = \$292.90 85% = \$331.95

	1 Jan 2019 – 30 Nov 2019								Total Services
	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	ACT	NT	
Service	193	160	116	8	61	9	13	NP	561
Benefits	\$57,741	\$38,543	\$41,215	\$2,911	\$17,688	\$1,460	\$2,355	NP	\$161,911

NP – Not Reported.

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MBS Item 16531**Item start date: 1 November 2017****Previous item 16525**

Management of pregnancy loss, from 16 weeks to 22 weeks and 6 days gestation, other than a service to which item 16530, 35640 or 35643 applies. (Anaes.)

Fee: \$781.00 Benefit: 75% = \$585.75

	1 Jan 2019 – 30 Nov 2019								Total Services
	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	ACT	NT	
Service	194	161	172	20	41	NP	9	NP	606
Benefits	\$112,467	\$93,386	\$99,847	\$11,577	\$23,777	NP	\$5,207	NP	\$351,478

NP – Not Reported.

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