



Guaranteeing Medicare – cardiac, breast, hip fracture and trauma registries

The Government will continue long-term monitoring and support for Australians who have high-risk devices implanted during cardiac, breast or hip fracture procedures, and for people who have suffered trauma and injury. To do this, the Government will extend funding for the National Cardiac Registry, Australian Breast Device Registry, the Australian and New Zealand Hip Fracture Registry for one year, and the Australian Trauma Registry for three years.

Why is this important?

Registries are an important way for clinicians and device manufacturers to get information on performance, quality and safety of devices. They also reduce the need for unnecessary treatment and revision procedures, as well as inform research and evidence-based decision-making by governments, service providers and insurers.

This funding will ensure the continued operation of these registries while work to develop a national clinical quality registry continues. This will be key when it comes to delivering better value care for patients. It will drive improved clinical care, better long term monitoring of implanted devices and procedures, and timely and progressive reporting, including adverse events.

Who will benefit?

Patients who have high-risk, implanted cardiac, breast or hip fracture devices and procedures, or who have experienced major trauma and injury will benefit from the improved care and monitoring the registry can provide.

Clinicians and medical device manufacturers will benefit from improvements in safety and quality of clinical practice and implantable devices.

How much will this cost?

This will cost \$2.8 million from 2018–19.