



Quick reference guide

MBS Review recommendations: Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) - Group I05

Date of change: 1 May 2020

Amended items: 63501 63502 (rule change)

New items: Nil

Deleted items: All the NK items

Revised structure

- All MRI items annotated with the letters 'NK' are being deleted. The annotation 'K' will be removed from the remaining items (see the capital sensitivity fact sheet).

Restrictions/requirements

- Items 63501 and 63502 (MRI of the breasts for Poly Implant Prosthèse implant integrity) will now be only able to be claimed once in 24 months. Currently, these items can be claimed every 12 months.
- The Diagnostic Imaging Clinical Committee decided that a limit of one service per 24 months would be sufficient for the monitoring of implant progress and more closely aligns with the level of monitoring recommended by the US Food and Drug Administration.

Patient impacts

- MRI of the breasts for Poly Implant Prosthèse implant integrity will only be allowed every 24 months as this is considered sufficient to monitor any implant deterioration.

Please note that the information provided is a general guide only. It is ultimately the responsibility of treating practitioners to use their professional judgment to determine the most clinically appropriate services to provide, and then to ensure that any services billed to Medicare fully meet the eligibility requirements outlined in the legislation.

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