# Medicare Safety Net Thresholds from 1 January 2017

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The Extended Medicare Safety Net (EMSN) provides an additional Medicare benefit once an annual threshold in out-of-pocket costs for out-of-hospital services has been reached. Out-of-hospital services include GP and specialist attendances, as well as many pathology and diagnostic imaging services.

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| Safety Net | Concessional individuals and families\* | All other individuals and families |
| Original Medicare Safety Net | $453.20 | $453.20 |
| Extended Medicare safety Net | $656.30 | $2,056.30 |

\*Commonwealth Concession cardholders and families who receive Family Tax Benefit (Part A)

## Further Information

Information on the Extended Medicare Safety Net is available in the [Extended Medicare Safety Net Fact Sheet](http://www.mbsonline.gov.au/internet/mbsonline/publishing.nsf/Content/Factsheet-ExtendedMedicareSafetyNet%20-%20Jan%202017014) on this website.

Further information on the Medicare Safety Nets is available on the [Department of Human Services](http://www.humanservices.gov.au/) website or you can contact the Department of Human Services – Medicare:

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