



## Medicare Claiming: Allied Primary Health Plan

### Who Can Claim?

Rebates are available to clients that have a chronic condition and complex care needs being managed by their General Practitioner (GP) under an Enhanced Primary Care (EPC) plan and a need for allied health services is identified in that plan. Clients are considered to have complex needs when service from at least three different providers (including their GP) is required. Clients then need to be referred by their GP to Ask A Speechie along with any other allied health services required.

### What is an Enhanced Primary Care Plan?

An Enhanced Primary Care Plan is a plan for management of your child's condition and needs. The plan includes goals for your child's treatment, identifies services and treatment requirements of your child, actions to help your child achieve their goals and a date to review your progress against the plan.

### How Much can be Claimed?

Up to five sessions in total can be claimed e.g. five speech therapy sessions, three speech therapy sessions and two other allied sessions etc over the course of a calendar year. The referral to the clinic remains valid for a year unless the five sessions have not been used and you are not planning to claim in the next calendar year. If you wish to claim for services during the next calendar year you will need to be re-referred to the clinic by your GP. **The maximum number of rebates that can be made in a calendar year is five regardless of how many were accessed during the previous year.**

**The Medicare rebate is \$45.85 per session.**

**You cannot claim through both Medicare and your Private Health Insurer for the same session.**

### Ask a Speechie's responsibilities

We will provide a written report to your GP with information about

- Any assessment carried out
- Any intervention provided
- Future management that is required

This will be provided on the first and last session (where applicable).

### More Information

- Talk to your General Practitioner
- Medicare Australia  
[www.medicareaustralia.gov.au](http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au)