

## PACR Process Update – 18 November 2024

We have made the following changes to the new Affiliated Provider Agreement as set out below. All other terms and conditions remain the same.

### Clause 9.8 – Price Review

Removal of the following wording from Clause 9.8:

We agree to review the Prices annually. When reviewing the Prices, We may take into account any factors that We consider (in our reasonable discretion) to be relevant in the circumstances, including but not limited to:

- general inflation (Consumer Price Index SE9A);
- any updated third-party market review data or benchmarking;
- any material changes in the costs to deliver the Services, including any significant changes in practice or technology that has had (or is expected to have) a material and sustained impact on the costs required to deliver the Services;
- any substantial changes in the market; and
- the overall performance of the Services, including (for example) Your achievement of the Service Levels during the term of this agreement.

The above list of factors is non-exhaustive and in no particular order of priority. The outcome of each Price review will be notified to You in writing and may result in some Prices being increased or remaining the same. Any increase to the Prices will take effect on the date specified by Us in the notice.

Insertion of the following wording in Clause 9.8:

On the anniversary of the commencement date and annually thereafter the Price will increase by a percentage equal to the annual percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) SE9A for the quarter most recently published as at the date 3 months prior to the anniversary date, subject to a minimum increase of 1% and a maximum increase of 4%. The new Prices will take effect from the relevant anniversary date and the change will be notified to You in accordance with Clause 20.

## Appendix 1 - SERVICES, PRICES AND SERVICE LOCATIONS

The following Services have had a change in Price:

Table 1b

Short Service Description	Initial Price Incl. G.S.T. (if any)	Updated Price Incl. G.S.T (if any)
CT - Sinuses	\$405.00	\$472.00

Table 1d

Short Service Description	Initial Price Incl. G.S.T. (if any)	Updated Price Incl. G.S.T (if any)
Mammography – Stereotactic Biopsy	\$992.00	\$1,218.00

The following Service has been removed from Table 1c:

<b>Short Service Description</b>	<b>Price Incl. G.S.T. (if any)</b>
U/s - Breast Hookwire	\$492.00

The following Service has been added to Table 1c:

<b>Short Service Description</b>	<b>Price Incl. G.S.T. (if any)</b>
U/s - Guided Seroma	\$230.00

The following Services have been removed from Table 1d:

<b>Short Service Description</b>	<b>Price Incl. G.S.T. (if any)</b>
Mammogram & Ultrasound - Diagnostic Bilateral	\$498.00
Mammogram & Ultrasound - Diagnostic Unilateral	\$351.00
Mammogram & Ultrasound - Screening Bilateral	\$498.00
Mammogram & Ultrasound - Screening Unilateral	\$351.00
Mammogram - Breast Hookwire	\$792.00

Please note:

To claim for a mammogram and ultrasound diagnostic or screening service, you will need to submit the appropriate mammography and ultrasound services separately. There will be no cost reduction applied to either of these services.

To claim for a breast hookwire under either mammography guidance or ultrasound guidance, you will need to claim the applicable breast imaging service and the new add on Breast hookwire service.

The following Service has been added to Table 1i

<b>Short Service Description</b>	<b>Price Incl. G.S.T. (if any)</b>
Add on – Breast Hookwire	\$504.00

The following Description of Services have been removed:

<b>Short Service Description</b>	<b>Detailed Service Description</b>
U/s - Breast Hookwire	Placement of a hookwire under Ultrasound guidance. Price includes all associated costs of imaging, needle, personnel, ancillary charges and equipment and any associated reporting.

Mammogram - Breast Hookwire	Placement of a hookwire under Mammogram guidance. Price includes all associated costs of imaging, needle, personnel, ancillary charges and equipment.
Mammogram & Ultrasound - Diagnostic Unilateral	Diagnostic unilateral breast imaging under both mammogram and ultrasound. Price includes the use of Digital Breast Tomosynthesis, all associated technical and ancillary costs and the cost of interpretation and reporting of results.
Mammogram & Ultrasound - Diagnostic Bilateral	Diagnostic bilateral breast imaging under both mammogram and ultrasound. Price includes the use of Digital Breast Tomosynthesis, all associated technical and ancillary costs and the cost of interpretation and reporting of results.
Mammogram & Ultrasound - Screening Bilateral	Screening bilateral breast imaging under both mammogram and ultrasound where a mammogram alone is unsuitable due to confirmed dense breast tissue. (Dense breast tissue must be confirmed by a mammogram or MRI). Price includes the use of Digital Breast Tomosynthesis, all associated technical and ancillary costs and the cost of interpretation and reporting of results. Eligibility criteria applies.
Mammogram & Ultrasound - Screening Unilateral	Screening unilateral breast imaging under both mammogram and ultrasound where a mammogram alone is unsuitable due to confirmed dense breast tissue. (Dense breast tissue must be confirmed by a mammogram or MRI). Price includes the use of Digital Breast Tomosynthesis, all associated technical and ancillary costs and the cost of interpretation and reporting of results. Eligibility criteria applies.

The following Description of Services have been added:

<b>Short Service Description</b>	<b>Detailed Service Description</b>
Add on - Breast Hookwire	Placement of a hookwire under imaging guidance. Price includes all associated costs of consumables, personnel, ancillary charges and equipment and any associated reporting. To be used in conjunction with relevant breast imaging code.
U/s - Guided Seroma Drainage	Ultrasound guided Seroma drainage using a tube or drain under Local Anaesthetic. Price includes all associated costs of imaging, biopsy needle, personnel, ancillary charges and equipment and any associated reporting.

The following Description of Services has been amended:

<b>Short Service Description</b>	<b>Previous Detailed Service Description</b>	<b>New Detailed Service Description</b>
U/s - Guided Drainage	Ultrasound guided drainage using a tube or drain under Local Anaesthetic. Price includes all associated costs of imaging, biopsy needle, personnel, ancillary charges and equipment and any associated reporting.	Ultrasound guided drainage using a tube or drain under Local Anaesthetic (excluding Seroma drainage). Price includes all associated costs of imaging, biopsy needle, personnel, ancillary charges and equipment and any associated reporting.

The following Services have been removed from the Exceptions to the Multiplier Rule table:

<b>Service ID</b>	<b>Short Service Description</b>
	Mammogram & Ultrasound - Screening Bilateral
	Mammogram & Ultrasound - Screening Unilateral
	Mammogram & Ultrasound - Diagnostic Unilateral
	Mammogram & Ultrasound - Diagnostic Bilateral

The following Services will be added to the Exceptions to the Multiplier Rule table:

<b>Service ID</b>	<b>Short Service Description</b>
	Add on – Breast hookwire
	CT - Biopsy
	Fluoroscopy - Guided Injection
	Mammogram - Stereotactic Biopsy
	MRI - Breast Biopsy
	MRI - Breast Marker
	U/s - Breast Marker
	U/s - Guided Complex Biopsy (Core)
	U/s - Guided Drainage
	U/s - Guided Injection
	U/s - Guided Seroma Drainage
	U/s - Guided Simple Biopsy (FNA)
	X-ray - Guided Injection

## **Appendix 2 - SERVICE STANDARDS AND SERVICE LEVELS**

We have updated the timeframe for the Service Level under clause 3(i) as follows:

Removal of the following wording from clause 3(i):

- (i) The imaging component of the Service is provided to the Member within three Business Days of You receiving the referral for that Service; and

Insertion of the following wording in clause 3 (i)

- (i) The imaging component of the Service is provided to the Member within eight Business Days of You receiving the referral for that Service; and