

Shoulder & Knee Imaging Requests

Medicare has rules that apply to rebates for shoulder and knee ultrasound examinations. Medicare will only provide a rebate when the request form specifically includes one of the following suspected pathologies:

Item	Description
55864 55866	<p>Unilateral shoulder or upper arm Bilateral shoulders or upper arms</p> <p>Where the service is provided, for the assessment of one or more of the following conditions or suspected conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">evaluation of injury to tendon, muscle or muscle/tendon junction; orrotator cuff tear/calcification/tendinosis (biceps, subscapular, supraspinatus, infraspinatus); orbiceps subluxation; orcapsulitis and bursitis; orevaluation of mass including ganglion; oroccult fracture; oracromioclavicular joint pathology <p><i>Benefits are not payable when referred for non-specific pain alone.</i></p>
55880 55882	<p>Unilateral knee Bilateral knees</p> <p>Where the service is used for the assessment of one or more of the following suspected or known conditions:</p> <p>(i) abnormality of tendons or bursae about the knee; (ii) a meniscal cyst, popliteal fossa cyst, mass or pseudomass; (iii) a nerve entrapment or a nerve or nerve sheath tumour; (iv) an injury of collateral ligaments</p> <p><i>Benefits are not payable when referred for non-specific knee pain alone or other knee conditions including:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Meniscal or cruciate ligament tears</i>• <i>Assessment of chondral surfaces</i>

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