

Quick facts

*To access the PBS Co-payment Measure:

- You will be asked for your written consent
- You only need to register once for the PBS Co-payment Measure at your usual doctor's practice
- Any doctor at a registered PIP practice can write a CTG script
- Your doctor will either electronically record or hand write CTG (with their signature) on your script
- Your pharmacist does NOT need a "number" to fill out your script. All they need is your doctor's electronic recording or hand written annotation on your script.

For more information

Take this brochure to your doctor and ask how Closing the Gap can help your health.

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Closing the Gap Scripts

for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander People

Information about the PBS Co-payment Measure



Who is eligible for the PBS (Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme) Co-Payment Measure?

The PBS Co-Payment Measure is available for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people:

- aged 15 year or over
- who have a chronic disease or are likely to develop a chronic disease
- who are at greater risk of hospital admission if they do not take the medication prescribed by their doctor
- whose usual doctor's practice has signed up for the Indigenous Health Incentive.

What is a chronic disease?

Some chronic diseases include:

- cancer
- diabetes
- heart disease
- kidney disease
- lung disease (i.e. asthma)

How does the PBS Co-payment Measure work?

Once you have signed up for the PBS Co-payment Measure, PBS listed medicines (to treat your chronic disease/s) will be cheaper or free**.

If you have a Centrelink or DVA card, your scripts will be free***.

**Only medicines listed on the PBS are included in the Measure

***Hospital prescriptions are not included in the measure

