Rebates for telepractice

Speech Pathology Australia

Medicare

Item codes now available for telepractice sessions for individuals who have a valid referral.

13 March - 30 September 2020

From 14 April 2020 these services do NOT need to be bulk billed*.

*http://www.mbsonline.gov.au/internet/mbsonline/publishing.nsf/Content/Factsheet-TempBB

NDIS

NDIS funds can be used for telepractice service.

There are some residency requirements, at this time, check with the NDIA if your participant is overseas.

DVA

Updates to fee schedules allow clients to access allied health services via telepractice from 1 April- 30 September 2020*

*https://www.dva.gov.au/providers/fees-and-payments/dental-and-allied-health-fee-schedules

Private health

Many Private health Funds now providing rebates for sessions conducted via telepractice.

There is variation between funds in regard to:

- Item codes
- Referral requirements
- Start/finish dates for services to be provided via telepractice

Check individual fund requirements before delivering services.