

Podiatrists

MBS QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

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When referred by a podiatrist, the following examinations will attract a Medicare rebate.

ULTRASOUND (R) CODES

55836	US Ankle or hind foot (S/B)
55840	US Mid foot or fore foot (S/B)
55844	US STL skin/subcutaneous structures

*** (S) = Single, (S/B) = Single or Bilateral

X-RAY (R) CODES

57521	XR Foot, ankle, leg or femur
57523	XR Knee
57527	XR Foot & ankle or ankle & leg or leg & knee or knee & femur

The items listed above attract a full Medicare rebate, however some out-of-pocket fees may apply. As a podiatrist, you are entitled to refer for other (NR) items in the MBS. These items carry a reduced rebate and are listed overleaf. For these, and other items in the MBS, there may be an out-of-pocket expense to the patient. For further clarification please contact Kare Radiology.

Below is a list of (NR) codes as per the MBS. When referred by a podiatrist, the following examinations will attract a reduced Medicare rebate.

ULTRASOUND (NR) CODES

55818	US Hip or groin
55822	US Paediatric hip
55826	US Buttock or thigh
55830	US Knee
55834	US Lower leg

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