

# Medicare Outpatient

## Information Guide for Election and Financial Consent



Western Health

### Why am I providing consent?

Patients need to give informed written or electronic financial consent to be bulk billed in Medicare Outpatients clinics and Diagnostics services.

When you attend a Medicare specialist clinic or receive diagnostic services, Western Health requires you to provide consent to be able to Bulk Bill on your behalf and assign the Medicare benefits to Western Health.

By signing this form, Western Health is able to bulk bill the service to Medicare.

### Who can provide this consent?

This Consent can be signed by either the patient, the patient's carer or the patient's guardian.

### **I will not be charged out-of-pocket costs for my outpatient visit, any diagnostic services or any other relevant services bulk billed to Medicare**

There are **NO out-of-pocket costs** for your appointment. If you choose to be bulk billed for your appointment, you will not be charged any fees for your appointment.

If you **do not have a Medicare card**, there is a fee for your appointment. Bulk Billing is only applicable to patients who have a Medicare card. Please refer to Western Health's website below for overseas patient fees or scan the QR Code to go directly to the website.

[https://www.westernhealth.org.au/PatientsandVisitors/Medicare\\_Ineligible/Pages/default.aspx](https://www.westernhealth.org.au/PatientsandVisitors/Medicare_Ineligible/Pages/default.aspx)

### **This election is valid for the entire episode of care at Western Health, commencing at this appointment.**

If you consent to be bulk billed for this appointment, any future appointments relating to this visit will also be bulk billed.