Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Classification Scheme |
| Synonymous names: | Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme schedule; PBS schedule |
| METEOR identifier: | 600767 |
| Registration status: | [Commonwealth Department of Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 19/10/2023 |
| Definition: | A list of the medicinal and therapeutic products available under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS), along with explanations of the uses for which they can be subsidised.The Schedule also lists the 2-character codes of the various drug manufacturers whose products are included in the PBS. |
| Context: | Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS). |
| Classification structure: | PBS item codes have no logical or hierarchical structure as such, i.e. they are allocated sequentially, with new items allocated the next available numeric code. The alphabetic final character of the item code is a check digit.Manufacturers' codes consist of two alphabetic characters and generally (but not always) bear some resemblance to letters within the registered legal name of the manufacturer. |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | The Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) schedule is updated monthly, either as a result of medicinal products being added to or removed from the schedule, or changes to the fees, patient contributions or safety net thresholds associated with medicinal products in the schedule. A new version of the schedule is released on the first calendar day of each month.The latest version of the PBS schedule is available via the PBS website (see the 'Reference documents' section below). Previous versions of the PBS schedule and summary documentation outlining the changes from one version of the schedule to the next are also available from the PBS website. |
| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Department of Health |
| Origin: | Department of Health 2015. Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits. Department of Health, Canberra. Viewed 18 September 2015, <http://www.pbs.gov.au/browse/publications> |
| Relational attributes  |
| Value Domains based on this classification scheme: | [Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) item code NN[NNN]A](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/600257)       [Commonwealth Department of Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 19/10/2023 |