

Service event—Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) schedule fee, total Australian currency N[NNN].NN

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) schedule fee
Synonymous names:	Medicare fee used
METEOR identifier:	601728
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commonwealth Department of Health, Standard 14/10/2015
Definition:	The fee listed in the Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) for each approved medical service, expressed in Australian dollars.

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total
Data type:	Currency
Format:	N[NNN].NN
Maximum character length:	6
Unit of measure:	Australian currency (AU\$)
Unit of measure precision:	2

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Department of Health

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Comments: In the past, this variable along with charge (SVC_CHRG_AMT) has caused some confusion. The Schedule Fee is the fee used in calculating Medicare benefits for services provided, while the charge is the fee charged by the provider. The charge may be above, below or equal to the Schedule Fee for a particular item.

Schedule fees are usually adjusted on 1 November each year.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Department of Health

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: See also [Service event—amount of Medicare Benefit Schedule \(MBS\) benefit paid, Australian currency N\[NNN\].NN](#)

- [Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Standard 14/10/2015

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Medicare Benefits Schedule \(MBS\) state/territory data extract 2013-14 Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Standard 14/10/2015

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Implementation end date: 30/06/2014

DSS specific information:

Variable name = SCHEDFEE