

South Western Sydney Integrated Diabetes Case Conferencing

South Western Sydney Primary Health Network and South Western Sydney Local Health District are working together to enhance diabetes care in the area. Case conferencing will assist GPs to support patients who present with Type 2 diabetes in collaborating with an Endocrinologist.

With case conferencing a third health party who is involved in the patients care (eg a practice nurse or a diabetes educator) is required to attend. Ideally the third party will be a member of the practice, but if no one is available the team will include a member of the DOMTRU specialist team (eg diabetes educator).

We encourage you to join our network of South Western Sydney GPs and use case conferencing to improve management of diabetes for their patients.

Aims of the Case Conferencing

- Provides access to a local hospital diabetes specialist in your practice to discuss diabetes care for patients who meet the criteria (next page).
- To assist with a diabetes management plan and decrease admissions to the hospital.
- Provide learning opportunities and increase confidence in managing type 2 diabetes.
- Develop an integrated approach to diabetes across general practice, allied health, hospital and specialist services.
- Build upon local diabetes prevention activities.

What are the Benefits to My Practice?

- Access to billing for MBS chronic disease items for case conferencing, GP management plans, Team Care Arrangements and items of Diabetes Cycles of Care, as eligible (see the next page)
- Diabetes Specialist service without extra cost to the patient
- Reduce waiting time for patients to access specialist care
- Increased patient satisfaction with a comprehensive, integrated and interdisciplinary management approach in the one location



How to refer for a case conference session:

Email
SWSLHD-CampbelltownIDC@health.nsw.gov.au

Contact Number: 4634 3192
Fax number for referral: 4634 3215

GP Case conference (CC) referral pattern: (referral form required)



- Please attach recent bloods (within 3 months of referral) to the case conference referral.
- Verbal or written consent from the patient is required.

Billing Codes

<u>Organise and coordinate a Case Conference</u>		
735	\$74.75	15-19 min
739	\$127.85	20-39 min
743	\$213.15	40+mins

Criteria: Who should be discussed first?

- All patients with HbA1c≥9% should be discussed
 - Any other patient with diabetes you would like to discuss
- Significant and frequent hypoglycaemia
- Recent hospitalisation/CVD/Foot event in past 12 months
- Nephropathy/↑ACR
- Blood pressure over 160/100 mmHg
- Triglycerides 10+mmol/l
- Diabetic women planning/at risk of pregnancy