

## OBSTETRICS FEE STRUCTURE & FINANCIAL CONSENT

### Congratulations on your pregnancy and thank you for choosing Fertility Tasmania.

We are very pleased to provide care for you and your baby throughout your pregnancy, from planning, antenatal care, birth and up to six weeks following delivery. Our priority is you and your baby's health and wellbeing. We offer counselling and advice on all aspects of your pregnancy. We are available at all times to ensure you and your baby receive the best possible care.

We deliver at all three hospitals the Hobart Private, Calvary and the Royal Hobart Hospital and our approach is to provide women and couples with a safe and rewarding birth experience with minimal intervention unless medically indicated.

For your safety and reassurance, we provide a 24 hour contact number for emergencies, as well as having the support and care of each of the hospitals maternity wards.

Item number (July 2023)	Fee	Medicare Rebate
16401 - Initial Pregnancy Consultation	\$295	\$70.25
16500 – Antenatal visits	\$120	\$38.75
16590 – Planning and Management of Pregnancy and Delivery	\$1800	\$306.20
16519 or 16522 - Delivery Billed to Private Health Insurance	No Health Cover -\$2500	
16407 or 16408 Postnatal Care 1- 8 weeks after birth of baby	Billed to Medicare	\$48 - \$64.45

\*\*Ultrasounds performed at each visit will usually be charged to Medicare or at Medicare rates.

Payment is requested at the time of each consultation and can be made using Credit Card or EFTPOS. The planning and management fee is invoiced at your 28-week appointment and is payable in full by 34 weeks.

Your Medicare claim can be processed immediately which means your Medicare rebate will be reimbursed directly into your bank account (providing you are registered with Medicare).

#### Cancellation Policy

If you are unable to keep an appointment we ask that you inform us as soon as possible.

We may be delayed or called away at the time of your appointment. To minimise the disruption to your schedule we will endeavor to inform you of any predictable delays, or arrange an alternative appointment to suit you. You may wish to ring 30 minutes before your appointment to check on our schedule.

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## OBSTETRICS FEE STRUCTURE & FINANCIAL CONSENT (CONTINUED)

### Hospital Admission, Labour and Delivery

We have admitting rights to the Hobart Private Hospital, Calvary and the Royal Hobart Hospital.

There will be no out of pocket expense for your delivery and medical care associated with your private hospital stay. Your Private Health Fund normally covers these as we have a No Gap agreement with your Health Fund. The fee generally will be invoiced directly to your Private Health Fund.

Please ensure your policy covers obstetrics and you have served all applicable waiting times. It is important you check with your fund, in advance, to ensure you do not incur any unexpected expenses.

If you find you are not covered by your health fund you can still choose private antenatal health care but you are personally liable for inpatient private hospital fees if you choose to deliver at any of the private hospitals.

Antenatal appointments however are not covered by your health insurance only by Medicare. Any ultrasounds performed in the clinic will be charged to Medicare so you will not incur an out of pocket fee.

This is an estimate of your expenses for obstetric care, any pathology tests, radiology, paediatrician attendance and anaesthetists (required for surgical procedures and epidurals) and assistants (if required) all have separate charges and are not covered by this quote.

If you are scheduled for a caesarean section, then an assistant surgeon will be required and you may receive a separate invoice for this service also.

These fees are all eligible for rebates through Medicare and/or your Private Health Fund.

If you have single cover, or couples-only insurance you may wish to consider changing your policy to family cover so that both you and your baby are covered for hospital care in a private hospital.

### Privacy & Confidentiality

Please refer to our Privacy & Confidentiality Policy

### Feedback

We are committed to providing an excellent service and welcome any comments or suggestions that could help us improve our level of care. A feedback form is available at reception.

## DECLARATION

I have read and understood the above Fee Disclosure regarding the cost of antenatal care and delivery

I understand by signing this form I agree to pay for the fees invoiced

I understand that there may be additional fees from external providers

I understand and acknowledge that this will be recorded in my electronic health record.

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Name (print)

Signature

Date

If you require any help or have queries with the above information, please do not hesitate to contact our friendly reception staff on (03) 6169 1111. We look forward to meeting you at your first appointment.

**DR IRENA NIKAKIS**

Obstetrician, Gynaecologist + Fertility Specialist

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