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Are you eligible for a medicare rebate?

In order to receive the Medicare rebate you will need a referral from your doctor to state that you have been diagnosed with substance dependence. As Medicare only covers you for a certain number of treatment sessions, it is also important that a psychologist has not already treated you for this condition. If you have been treated by a psychologist for this condition but only attended a few sessions, you can still receive a rebate for the balance of the annual amount of authorized sessions. You can find out what your balance is from Medicare.

In order to receive a diagnosis of substance dependence you need to meet certain criteria. Answer the questions below to help you decide whether or not to seek a referral from your doctor.

Over the last 12 month period has your alcohol or other drug use caused any of the following:

1. Tolerance, which means you either get less of an effect from the same amount of the substance and/or you need more of the substance to get the desired effect.
2. When you stop using the substance you get withdrawal symptoms or you continue to use the substance in order to avoid withdrawal symptoms.
3. The substance is often taken in larger amounts or over a longer period that was intended.
4. There is a persistent desire or unsuccessful effort to cut down or control substance use.
5. A great deal of time is spent in activities necessary to obtain the substance, use the substance or recover from its effects.
6. Important social, occupational, or recreational activities are given up or reduced because of substance use.
7. The substance use is continued despite knowledge of having a persistent or recurrent physical or psychological problem that is likely to have been caused or exacerbated by the substance.

If you answered yes to three or more of these statements then you may be eligible for a referral to AJZ on the basis of Drug Dependence.

Please take this completed assessment form to your doctor and request a referral. Note that you need to tell the receptionist that you want a referral to see a psychologist as this might warrant a longer appointment. The doctor will need to complete a Mental Health Care Plan. Before you can claim for psychological services, Medicare must receive direct billing from your doctor for completion of the Mental Health Care Plan. This is called the MBS Item No 2710, which triggers payments of subsequent accounts. The doctor then refers you to the Obesity Clinic and you can receive the medicare rebate.

If the doctor wishes, this completed form can serve as a referral, which you can bring with you to the clinic.

Name of Doctor:.....

Address:.....

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Telephone:

Provider Number:.....

I refer.....to AJZ Outpatient Clinic for
treatment of

for up to 12 individual services and 12 group services in the calendar year with a review after
the initial six individual sessions.

Signature..... Date:.....