




# Treatment Eligibility at a Glance




## 2.1 ELIGIBILITY FOR MEDICAL SERVICES

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<p><b>Acupuncture</b> performed by a medical practitioner in accordance with arrangements in the MBS (see <a href="#">section 7.4</a>).</p>	YES	YES – for accepted disabilities.	NO
<p><b>Diagnostic imaging</b> services provided in accordance with arrangements in the MBS.</p>	YES	YES – for accepted disabilities.	NO
<p><b>Elective surgery</b> in public hospitals, day surgery facilities, former Repatriation Hospitals and Veteran Partnering private hospitals (see <a href="#">section 13</a>).</p>	YES	YES – for accepted disabilities.	NO

<b>Elective surgery</b> in non-Veteran Partnering private hospitals and private day surgery facilities (see <a href="#">section 13</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – Obtain financial authorisation before commencing treatment.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Obtain financial authorisation before commencing treatment.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Health screening</b> as defined in the MBS.	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>Infertility treatment</b> for the partner of an eligible veteran.	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>In-vitro fertilisation procedures</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>Medical consultations and procedures</b> listed in the MBS (some restrictions apply).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Medical consultations and procedures</b> not listed in the MBS (see <a href="#">section 4.4</a> ).	In exceptional circumstances – specific criteria exist, and prior financial authorisation must be obtained.	In exceptional circumstances – specific criteria exist, and prior financial authorisation must be obtained.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Minor surgical procedures</b> carried out in your rooms, provided facility fees or general anaesthetic fees are not charged.	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Orthomolecular medicine</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>




<b>Pathology services</b> provided in accordance with arrangements in the MBS (see <a href="#">section 11.7</a> ).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Psychotherapy</b> from private psychologists (see <a href="#">section 11.4</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – Obtain financial authorisation before commencing treatment.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Obtain financial authorisation before commencing treatment	<b>NO</b>
<b>Medication reviews</b> undertaken by LMOs or pharmacists (see section 9).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> - when the need for a medication review relates to an accepted disability.	<b>NO</b>

## 2.2 ELIGIBILITY FOR PHARMACEUTICALS

<i>The Orange Card is for pharmaceuticals only. There are no other entitlements (medical or treatment) associated with this card.</i>			
<b>Wound dressings</b>	<b>YES</b> – under the RPBS or RAP arrangements.	<b>YES</b> – under the RPBS For accepted disabilities.	<b>YES</b> – under the RPBS
<b>Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) Schedule</b> – items listed in the PBS schedule (see <a href="#">section 8</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – to be prescribed under the RPBS.	<b>YES</b> – (a) for accepted disabilities under the RPBS at concession rates and (b) for non-accepted disabilities under the PBS at non-concession rates (unless a Pension	<b>YES</b> – (a) for accepted disabilities under the RPBS at concession rates and (b) for non-accepted disabilities under the PBS at non-concession rates (unless a Pension

		Concession Card (PCC) applies).	Concession Card (PCC) applies).
<b>Repatriation Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits</b> – items listed in the RPBS schedule (see <a href="#">section 8</a> ).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>YES</b>
<b>Authority prescriptions – Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) Schedule</b> (see <a href="#">section 8</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – to be prescribed under the RPBS. Obtain prior approval from DVA.	<b>YES</b> – (a) for accepted disabilities under the RPBS – obtain prior approval from DVA and (b) for non-accepted disabilities under the PBS – obtain prior approval from the HIC, using patient's Medicare number (DVA number not applicable).	<b>YES</b>
<b>Authority prescriptions – Repatriation Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits</b> (see <a href="#">section 8</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – obtain prior approval from DVA.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Obtain prior approval from DVA.	<b>YES</b>
<b>Increased quantity and/or increased number of repeats</b> for the PBS schedule and the Repatriation Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits (see <a href="#">section 8</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – to be prescribed under the RPBS. Obtain prior approval from DVA.	<b>YES</b> – (a) for accepted disabilities under the RPBS – obtain prior approval from DVA and (b) for non-accepted disabilities under the PBS – obtain prior approval from the HIC, using patient's Medicare number (DVA number not applicable).	<b>YES</b>

## 2.3 ELIGIBILITY FOR REFERRAL TO MEDICAL SPECIALISTS




<p><i>The Orange Card is for pharmaceuticals only. There are no other entitlements (medical or treatment) associated with this card.</i></p>			
<p><b>Referral to a medical specialist who accepts up to 100 per cent of the MBS fee as full payment, and who will not levy any additional fee on the veteran</b> (see <a href="#">section 11.1</a>).</p>	<p><b>YES</b></p>	<p><b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.</p>	<p><b>NO</b></p>

## 2.4 ELIGIBILITY FOR REPORTS, PLANS AND CASE MANAGEMENT

<p><i>The Orange Card is for pharmaceuticals only. There are no other entitlements (medical or treatment) associated with this card.</i></p>			
<p><b>Care plans</b> in accordance with arrangements in the MBS (see <a href="#">section 7.4</a>).</p>	<p><b>YES</b></p>	<p><b>YES</b> – when the primary need for a care plan relates to an accepted disability.</p>	<p><b>NO</b></p>

<b>Case conferences</b> in accordance with arrangements in the MBS (see <a href="#">section 7.4</a> ).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – when the primary need for a case conference relates to an accepted disability.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Health assessments</b> in accordance with arrangements in the MBS (see <a href="#">section 7.4</a> ).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – when the primary need for a health assessment relates to an accepted disability.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Medication reviews</b> undertaken by LMOs or pharmacists (see <a href="#">section 9</a> ).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – when the need for a medication review relates to an accepted disability.	<b>NO</b>

## 2.5 ELIGIBILITY FOR ALLIED HEALTH SERVICES

<i>The Orange Card is for pharmaceuticals only. There are no other entitlements (medical or treatment) associated with this card.</i>			
<b>Chiropractic / osteopathy</b> – for musculo-skeletal conditions only (see <a href="#">section 12.3</a> ).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>
Community nursing (see <a href="#">section 12.1</a> ).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Dietetics from private</b>	<b>YES</b> – Obtain financial authorisation prior to	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Obtain	<b>NO</b>

<b>providers</b> (only when public-funded or community services are not available – see <a href="#">section 12</a> ).	referral.	financial authorisation prior to referral.	
<b>Hypnotherapy from private providers</b> (may only be provided by a psychologist who is a full member of the Australian Society of Hypnosis or the State equivalent – see <a href="#">section 12</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – Obtain financial authorisation prior to referral.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Obtain financial authorisation prior to referral.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Medical grade footwear</b> (may only be provided by contracted suppliers who are accessible through approved footwear prescribers – see <a href="#">section 12.2</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – Obtain financial authorisation prior to referral.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Obtain financial authorisation prior to referral.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Natural therapies</b> from herbalists, homoeopaths, iridologists, naturopaths, masseurs and acupuncturists.	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>Occupational therapy</b> (see	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>

<a href="#">section 12</a> ).			
Optometrical consultations according to arrangements in the MBS and optical dispensing from providers who participate in DVA's Optical Supplies Program (see <a href="#">section 12.4</a> ).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Orthoptics from private providers</b> (only when public-funded or community services are not available – see <a href="#">section 12</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – Obtain financial authorisation prior to referral.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Obtain financial authorisation prior to referral.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Physiotherapy from private providers</b> (see <a href="#">section 12</a> ).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Podiatry</b> (see <a href="#">section 12</a> ).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Psychology from private providers</b> (only when public funded or community services are not available – see <a href="#">section 11.5</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – Obtain financial authorisation prior to referral.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Obtain financial authorisation prior to referral.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Social work from private providers</b> (only when public funded or	<b>YES</b> – Obtain financial authorisation prior to referral.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Obtain financial authorisation prior to referral.	<b>NO</b>






community services are not available (see <a href="#">section 12</a> ).			
<b>Speech pathology</b> (see <a href="#">section 12</a> ).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>

## 2.6 ELIGIBILITY FOR COUNSELLING




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<b>VVCS - Veterans and Veterans Families Counselling Service</b> (see <a href="#">section 17</a> )	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO : N/A</b>

## 2.7 ELIGIBILITY FOR DENTAL TREATMENT

<i>The Orange Card is for pharmaceuticals only. There are no other entitlements (medical or treatment) associated with this card.</i>			
<b>Dental treatment</b> (some funding limits apply and	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities	<b>NO</b>




prior financial authorisation is required for some treatment) (see <a href="#">section 12.6</a> )			
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## 2.8 ELIGIBILITY FOR HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

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<p><b>Tier 1 Facilities</b> Public hospitals/day procedure centres, former Repatriation Hospitals and Veteran Partnering private hospitals (admit as private patient in shared accommodation, see <a href="#">section 13</a>).</p>	<p><b>YES</b></p>	<p><b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities when eligibility has been predetermined by the LMO.</p>	<p><b>NO</b></p>
<p><b>Tier 2 Facilities</b> Non-Veteran Partnering contracted private hospitals and day procedure centres (see <a href="#">section 13</a>).</p>	<p><b>YES</b> – only when a Tier 1 facility is not available in a reasonable time and when prior financial authorisation has been obtained.</p>	<p><b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities (when eligibility has been predetermined by the LMO) and only when a Tier 1 facility is not available in a reasonable time and when prior financial authorisation has been</p>	<p><b>NO</b></p>




		obtained.	
<b>Tier 3 Facilities</b> Non-contracted private hospitals and day procedure centres (see <a href="#">section 13</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – only when a Tier 1 or Tier 2 facility is not available in a reasonable time and when prior financial authorisation has been obtained.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities (when eligibility has been predetermined by the LMO) and only when a Tier 1 or Tier 2 facility is not available in a reasonable time and when prior financial authorisation has been obtained.	<b>NO</b>

## 2.9 ELIGIBILITY FOR REHABILITATION AIDS AND APPLIANCES

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<b>Rehabilitation aids and appliances,</b> based on clinical need, including surgical aids and domiciliary oxygen, under DVA's Rehabilitation Appliances Program (see <a href="#">section 15</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – Restrictions apply to some items. Some items require prior financial authorisation – please check with the DVA State Office.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Restrictions apply to some items. Some items require prior financial authorisation – please check with the DVA State Office.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Aids and appliances</b> provided	<b>YES</b> – Items provided based on recommendation of a	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Items provided based on	<b>NO</b>




through the Home Front program, such as grab rails (see <a href="#">section 19.5</a> ).	home assessor following home assessment. No DVA prior financial authorisation required.	recommendation of a home assessor following home assessment. No DVA prior financial authorisation required.	
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## 2.10 ELIGIBILITY FOR RESIDENTIAL CARE

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<b>Convalescent care</b> (see <a href="#">section 18.4</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – refer to DVA.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Refer to DVA.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Emergency short-term home relief</b> (see <a href="#">section 18.6</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – refer to DVA.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Refer to DVA.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Nursing home and hostel care</b> (residential aged care) (see <a href="#">section 18.2</a> ).	Subsidy paid by DVA, but same fee arrangements apply for veterans as for all other residents, with the exception of ex-POWs receiving nursing home care. Refer to DVA.	Subsidy paid by DVA, but same fee arrangements apply for veterans as for all other residents, with the exception of ex-POWs receiving nursing home care. Refer to DVA.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Palliative care</b> (see <a href="#">section 18.5</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – refer to DVA.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Refer to DVA.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Respite care</b> (see <a href="#">section 18.3</a> ).	<b>YES</b> – refer to DVA.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Refer to DVA.	<b>NO</b>

Veterans' Home Care (see <a href="#">section 18.1</a> ).	<b>YES</b> - refer to VHC assessment agency for assessment.	<b>YES</b> - refer to VHC assessment agency for assessment.	<b>NO</b>
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## 2.11 ELIGIBILITY FOR TRAVEL ASSISTANCE

<i>The Orange Card is for pharmaceuticals only. There are no other entitlements (medical or treatment) associated with this card.</i>			
<b>Allied health providers</b> – to obtain treatment from the closest practicable allied health provider – see <a href="#">section 20</a> ).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Ambulance transport</b> (see <a href="#">section 20.6</a> ).	<b>YES.</b> Note: in some States prior financial authorisation is required, except for emergencies.	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities. Note: in some states prior financial authorisation is required, except for emergencies.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Hearing services</b> – to obtain treatment from the closest Office of Hearing Services, accredited Australian Hearing Services centre, or	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>

accredited provider (see <a href="#">section 16</a> ).			
<b>Hospital treatment</b> – to obtain treatment at the closest practicable hospital or day procedure centre (see <a href="#">section 20</a> ).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Medical treatment</b> – to attend the closest practicable LMO or medical specialist (see <a href="#">section 20</a> ).	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Dental services</b> – to obtain treatment from the closest practicable provider.	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b> – for accepted disabilities.	<b>NO</b>