

MBS Update

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Obstetric ultrasound

Quick reference guide

In order for your patients to be eligible for a Medicare rebate when they require an obstetric ultrasound, they must fall into one of the following groups:

< 12 weeks

- Early Dating: 6 - 11 weeks

Pelvis or abdomen, pregnancy related or pregnancy complication, ultrasound scan of, by any or all approaches, for determining the gestation, location, viability or number of foetuses, if the dating of the pregnancy (as confirmed by ultrasound) is less than 12 weeks of gestation.

12 – 16 weeks

- Nuchal Translucency:
11 weeks, 4 days -
13 weeks, 6 days

Pelvis or abdomen, pregnancy related or pregnancy complication, fetal development and anatomy, ultrasound scan of, by any or all approaches, if:
(a) the pregnancy (as confirmed by ultrasound) is dated by a fetal crown rump length of 45 to 84 mm; and
(b) nuchal translucency measurement is performed to assess the risk of fetal abnormality.

17 – 22 weeks

- Morphology: 18 - 20 weeks

Pelvis or abdomen, pregnancy related or pregnancy complication, fetal development and anatomy, ultrasound scan of, by any or all approaches, with measurement of all parameters for dating purposes, if:
(a) the dating for the pregnancy (as confirmed by ultrasound) is 17 to 22 weeks of gestation

> 22 weeks

Pelvis or abdomen, pregnancy related or pregnancy complication, fetal development and anatomy, ultrasound scan of, by any or all approaches, if:
(a) the dating of the pregnancy (as confirmed by ultrasound) is after 22 weeks of gestation

Please ensure that you clearly state clinical indications on your referral.

Correct at time of print: January 2021. Please ensure to always consult the most current MBS Schedule for the latest information. The clinical indications for obstetric imaging can be found at: [Standard Search | Medicare Benefits Schedule \(health.gov.au\)](#)

