

BreastScreen or diagnostic mammogram?

Which service is appropriate for my patient?

	BreastScreen	Diagnostic mammogram
What does it do?	Screening is to detect unsuspected lesions in asymptomatic 'well' women.	Diagnosing breast changes or abnormalities that may have been detected through breast self-exam and/or clinical examination.
Who is it for?	Women from 40 years of age with no symptoms.	Women or men of any age who have symptoms.
What does it cost?	This is a free service supported by Government funding.	Medicare rebate may be available but out-of-pocket costs may be incurred.
Do I need a referral?	No	Yes
Where do I go?	BreastScreen	I-MED Radiology

BREAST IMAGING

Quick Reference Guide



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MEDICARE REBATE GUIDE

Breast Examination	Indications	Medicare Rebate
Screening Mammogram	Asymptomatic Women	No
Diagnostic Mammogram	<p>The patient has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Past history of breast cancer • Family history of breast cancer • Symptoms or indications of breast malignancy • Focal lump/thickening/dimpling • Nipple change/discharge 	Yes
Ultrasound	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where malignancy suspected • In young women (under 30) • In association with mammography 	Yes
Breast MRI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For patients with occult breast cancer • MRI-guided biopsy of the breast for patients with suspected breast cancer, where the lesion is only identifiable by MRI <p>Asymptomatic female under 60 with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High risk breast cancer mutation on genetic testing • On same side of relative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1st or 2nd degree relative with breast cancer <45 years and another 1st or 2nd degree relative with bone or soft tissue sarcoma <45 years. - Three or more 1st or 2nd degree relatives with breast or ovarian cancer. • On same side of family, two 1st or 2nd degree relatives with breast or ovarian cancer with one relative with one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bilateral breast cancer - Onset breast cancer before aged 40 - Onset ovarian cancer before aged 50 - Breast and ovarian cancer in one relative - Breast cancer in a male relative - Ashkenazi Jewish ancestry 	Yes (MBS rebate availability for specialist referred only)