



## ENSURING APPROPRIATE USE OF NEUROSURGERY AND NEUROLOGY SERVICES

- **What?** The changes include a restructuring of items for neurosurgery and neurology services, including the addition of new items, deletion of existing items, and minor amendments to existing items and explanatory notes.
- **Why?** MBS items for neurosurgery and neurology will be changing to facilitate provision of effective, evidence-based neurosurgery and neurology services to ensure that services are clinically appropriate and reflect modern practice.
- **Who?** These changes are relevant for all specialists involved in the management of neurosurgery and neurology services, consumers claiming these services, and private health insurers.
- **When?** The changes to neurosurgery and neurology services will be effective on or after 1 November 2020. These changes are subject to legislative processes. Further details, including full item descriptors, will be released as soon as the changes are confirmed.



### Where can I find more information?

Further information on these changes will be provided as the details are confirmed.

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