

# HCF HOSPITAL BRONZE PLUS PRODUCT SUMMARY

Hospital cover designed for the healthy and budget conscious.

## **FEATURES**



## **HOSPITAL INCLUDES:**

- Flexible excess options choose from a \$250, \$500 or \$750 excess
- Cover for digestive system procedures, bone, joint and muscle procedures and more
- Ambulance cover in emergencies



To be eligible, must attend a hospital emergency department within 24 hrs. Top hospital coverage applies for up to 90 days of the Accident. Other conditions apply. See hcf.com.au/accident-safeguard
When you travel at least 200km round trip. Other terms and conditions apply. Go to hcf.com.au/travel-accommodation to find out more
For up to 6 months. Other conditions and waiting periods apply. See hcf.com.au/unemployment-assistance

# **HCF HOSPITAL BRONZE PLUS**

KEY FEATURES	
Excess options (per person per calendar year)	\$250, \$500 or \$750
No excess for kids aged under 25	✓
No excess for Accident-related treatment	~
Travel and accommodation benefit*	~
Available without extras cover	Yes

#### THIS POLICY INCLUDES COVER FOR:

#### **Emergency ambulance**

**Accident Safeguard** - Services Not Included or Restricted Services listed in this table will be treated as Covered Services in the event of an Accident that occurs after joining. Does not include podiatric surgery by a registered podiatric surgeon. Conditions apply. See **hcf.com.au/accident-safeguard** 

#### **Palliative care**

Brain and nervous system e.g. stroke, brain or spinal cord tumours

**Eye (not cataracts)** e.g. retinal detachment, tear duct conditions, eye infections and medically managed trauma to the eye

**Ear, nose and throat** e.g. damaged ear drum, sinus surgery, removal of foreign bodies, stapedectomy and throat cancer

**Tonsils, adenoids and grommets** e.g. hospital treatment of the tonsils, adenoids and insertion or removal of grommets

**Bone, joint and muscle** e.g. carpal tunnel, fractures, hand surgery, joint fusion, bone spurs, osteomyelitis and surgery for bone cancer

Joint reconstructions e.g. torn tendons, rotator cuff tears and damaged ligaments

Kidney and bladder e.g. kidney stones, adrenal gland tumour and incontinence

Male reproductive system e.g. male sterilisation, circumcision and prostate cancer

**Digestive system** e.g. oesophageal cancer, irritable bowel syndrome, gall stones and haemorrhoids

Hernia and appendix e.g. hernia operations and appendicitis

Gastrointestinal endoscopy e.g. colonoscopy and gastroscopy

**Gynaecology** e.g. endometriosis, polycystic ovaries, female sterilisation and cervical cancer

#### Miscarriage and termination of pregnancy

#### Chemotherapy, radiotherapy and immunotherapy for cancer

**Pain management** e.g. treatment of nerve pain and chest pain due to cancer by injection of a nerve block

 $\ensuremath{\textbf{Skin}}$  e.g. surgery to remove melanoma, minor wound repair and abscesses

**Breast surgery (medically necessary)** e.g. breast lesions, breast tumours, asymmetry due to breast cancer surgery and gynecomastia

**Diabetes management (excluding insulin pumps)** e.g. stabilisation of hyporor hyper-glycaemia, contour problems due to insulin injections

 ${\bf Lung}~{\bf and}~{\bf chest}$  e.g. lung cancer, respiratory disorders such as asthma, pneumonia and treatment of trauma to the chest

**Blood** e.g. blood clotting disorders and bone marrow transplants

**Plastic and reconstructive surgery (medically necessary)** e.g. burns requiring a graft, cleft palate, club foot and angioma

**Dental surgery**<sup>#</sup> e.g. surgery to remove wisdom teeth and dental

implant surgery

**Podiatric surgery** (provided by a registered podiatric surgeon) $^{\infty}$ 

Sleep studies e.g. sleep apnoea and snoring

#### THIS POLICY INCLUDES RESTRICTED COVER FOR:

Rehabilitation

Hospital psychiatric services

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Heart and vascular system

Back, neck and spine

Implantation of hearing devices

#### THIS POLICY DOES NOT INCLUDE COVER FOR (CONT.):

Cataracts
Joint replacements
Dialysis for chronic kidney failure
Pregnancy and birth
Assisted reproductive services
Weight loss surgery
Insulin pumps
Pain management with device
Elective cosmetic surgery

This product includes cover for accommodation, operating theatre, intensive care, Government approved Prostheses, pharmaceuticals (excluding experimental and high cost non-PBS drugs) as part of your covered admission at an HCF participating hospital.

### **EXCESS**

An excess is a non-refundable amount of money a member agrees to pay towards the cost of services before benefits are payable when admitted to hospital. If hospitalised, the total excess amount of your cover will apply once per person per calendar year.

## OUT-OF-POCKET COSTS AND HOSPITAL AGREEMENTS

Under this policy, you may have to pay out-of-pocket costs above what you get from Medicare or your private health insurer. Before you go to hospital, you should ask your doctors, hospital and health insurer about any out-of-pocket costs that may apply to you.

The benefits paid for hospital treatment will depend on the type of cover you purchase and whether your fund has an agreement in place with the hospital in which you are treated. See 'Agreement Hospitals' on **privatehealth.gov.au** for which hospitals have arrangements with your insurer.

## **PREGNANCY AND BIRTH**

To be covered for pregnancy and birth in hospital, make sure your cover includes full benefits for these services. If not, you may wish to upgrade to a cover that includes pregnancy and birth 12 months before the date of birth of your child to minimise your out-of-pocket expenses. If you're expecting, make sure you transfer to a family membership within 2 months of the birth of your child to ensure your baby is covered.

## **RESTRICTED COVER**

For these services, only Minimum Benefits are payable which means that you may have to pay significant out-of-pocket expenses in a private hospital. In a public hospital, if you elect to be a private patient, you may also have to pay out-of-pocket expenses.

#### SERVICES NOT INCLUDED

These services are not included in your cover. No benefits are payable for any treatment related to these services, except in the case of Accident Safeguard. Always check with us to see if you're covered before going to hospital.

- # Members must hold eligible extras cover if they want to claim benefits for eligible dental services performed in a hospital.
- Limited benefits apply. Minimum Benefit level payable by HCF for Hospital accommodation as determined under the Private Health Insurance Act and the cost of prosthesis (as listed on the Prosthesis List). No benefit is payable for podiatric surgeon fees. Ensure you have Informed Financial Consent prior to your treatment, for any out-of-pocket expenses.

# THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

## The following waiting periods apply where these services are covered under your policy:

HOSPITAL WAITING PERIODS		
1 DAY	Emergency ambulance.	
2 MONTHS	Hospital psychiatric services, rehabilitation and palliative care. Members who have held a hospital cover for at least 2 months and upgrade to receive hospital psychiatric services as covered services may not be required to serve the waiting period for hospital psychiatric services. This exemption can only be accessed once in a member's lifetime.	
12 MONTHS	Pregnancy and birth. Pre-Existing Conditions (excluding hospital psychiatric services, rehabilitation and palliative care).	
2 MONTHS	All other hospital services, including Accident-related treatment (for services included in your cover).	

### WHAT'S NOT COVERED?

There are a number of situations where our health insurance doesn't cover you, including for example:

- claims for services by providers not recognised by HCF, and that do not meet HCF's criteria as set out in the Fund Rules
- treatment for Pre-Existing Conditions (other than for hospital psychiatric services, rehabilitation or palliative care) within the 12 month waiting period

• experimental, high cost non-PBS drugs and TGA-approved drugs used for a purpose other than that for which they were approved.

Please refer to the HCF Member Guide or Fund Rules for a comprehensive list of exclusions.

#### Note:

This product summary is not a complete description of your cover. Please refer to the HCF Member Guide or Fund Rules, or call **13 13 34** to check what you're covered for before receiving treatment.



# HCF MID EXTRAS PRODUCT SUMMARY

Affordable mid-level extras cover for a range of services and therapies.

## **FEATURES**



# **EXTRAS INCLUDES:**

- Mid-level cover for general and major dental, optical, physio, chiro and some natural therapies
- HCF-approved vaccinations
- A range of HCF-approved Health Management Programs including learn to swim classes, weight management programs and gym membership fees for specific health conditions

## GET 100% BACK ON POPULAR EXTRAS\*

You can get 100% back at extras providers in our No-Gap network, depending on your cover and annual limits\*. Including:

- 2 dental check-ups a year
- a pair of prescription glasses from a selected range<sup>^</sup> and you'll also get free digital retinal imaging with your eye test.



 Waiting periods and annual limits apply.
Providers are subject to change. We recommend that you confirm the provider prior to booking your appointment. See hcf.com.au/100back
Excludes add-ons such as high index material, coatings and tinting.



# **HCF MID EXTRAS**

#### TREATMENTS COVERED BY THIS POLICY

	SERVICE CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	INDICATIVE BENEFIT AMOUNT	WAITING PERIOD	ANNUAL LIMIT PER PERSON, PER CALENDAR YEAR (UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED)	
OPTICAL	Glasses and contact lenses	Spectacle frames	\$115	2 months	\$200	
		Spectacle lenses – pair	\$140			
		Contact lenses – pair	\$140			
		Examinations (max 2 service per year)	\$32-\$73			
	Diagnostic and	Removal of plaque/calculus (max 2 service per year)	\$36-\$62			
<b>GENERAL</b> DENTAL	preventative	Application of fluoride (max 1 service per year)	\$27	2 months		
		Single film X-rays (service limits apply)	\$29			
ם ס	Simple fillings	Direct fillings	\$85-\$177		\$650 includes Max 2 check ups,	
	Tooth extractions	Simple extractions	\$95-\$143		2 scale and clean, and	
	Oral surgery	Surgical extractions	\$157-\$250		1 fluoride treatment	
	Complex fillings	Indirect fillings	\$298-\$600		per person, per year (Excludes occlusal	
R	Periodontics	Treatment of tissue surrounding teeth	\$23-\$374		therapy)	
<b>MAJOR</b> <b>DENTAL</b>	Endodontics	Treatment of root canals	\$27-\$248	12 months		
≥⊡	Crowns and bridges	Placing of crowns and bridges	\$238-\$600			
	Dentures	Dentures and components (partial and complete) Limits renew every 3 years	\$25-\$600			
THERAPIES	Allied health First visit/subsequent	Physiotherapy (see Health Management Programs for groups and classes)	\$56/\$49		\$350	
		Exercise physiology (see Health Management Programs for groups and classes)	\$33		\$350	
		Chiropractic	\$38/\$31	2 months		
Ë		Osteopathy	\$46/\$36	-	\$150	
	Natural therapies First visit/subsequent	Remedial massage and myotherapy	\$36/\$31			
		Acupuncture and Chinese herbal medicine consultation	\$36/\$31			
OTHER	Vaccines	HCF approved e.g. Boostrix, Shingrix, Vivaxim and more	Up to \$50 per script		\$100	
	Health Management Programs	HCF-approved e.g. exercise classes, group physiotherapy and group exercise physiology classes and weight management	Up to \$50	2 months	\$50 per person Max \$100 per policy	
OT	Emergency ambulance (State govt. services)	NSW and ACT	100%	1.1	No annual limit	
		VIC, WA, NT, and SA	100%	1 day	1 service per person Max 2 services per policy	

#### TREATMENTS NOT COVERED BY THIS POLICY

	SERVICE CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	
Jor TAL	Orthodontics	Orthodontics - orthodontist/other dentist	
MA	Occlusal Therapy	Treatment to improve bite	
S		Psychology (after Medicare Mental Health Treatment Plan used up) includes group consultations	
	Mental health services Group/individual	Psychology (when member does not have any unused Medicare Mental Health Treatment Plan in the calendar year) includes group consultations	
		HCF-approved counselling & accredited mental health social worker includes group consultations	
PIE		HCF-approved Online Cognitive Behavioural Therapy courses	
RA		Occupational therapy	
THERAPIES	Allied health First visit/subsequent	Podiatry (including foot orthotics)	
		Orthotist/Prosthetist and Pedorthist	
		Audiology	
		Speech pathology	
		Dietetics	
	Orthoptic therapy	Eye therapy	
	HCF-approved pharmacy	After PBS equivalent co-payment subtracted	
	Travel and accommodation	200km round trip for a consulting medical specialist and/or hospita admission	
OTHER	Artificial aids	HCF-approved (e.g. low vision aids, blood glucose monitors, orthoses)	
	Hearing aids	Benefits accrue over time and renew every 3 years	
	Health Management Programs	HCF-approved antenatal/postnatal services - pregnancy compression garments and breastfeeding support services through the Australian Breastfeeding Association	
	School Accident Benefit	Helps pay out-of-pocket expenses for extras in your cover. See <b>hcf.com.au/school-accident</b>	

# THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

## The following waiting periods apply where these services are covered under your policy:

EXTRAS WAITING PERIODS		
1 DAY	Emergency ambulance.	
12 MONTHS	Crowns, bridges, dentures, endodontics, occlusal therapy, surgical extractions, oral surgery, complex fillings, periodontics, prosthodontics, dental bleaching, veneers, orthodontics, artificial aids, foot orthotics, minor podiatric procedures and hearing aids.	
2 MONTHS	All other extras services.	

## WHAT'S NOT COVERED?

There are a number of situations where our health insurance doesn't cover you, including for example:

- claims for services by providers not recognised by HCF, and that do not meet HCF's criteria as set out in the Fund Rules
- claims made 2 years or more after the date of service
- more than 1 therapy service performed by the same provider in any 1 day.

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