

# MRI Medicare Eligible Criteria



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Please find a list of item numbers and descriptions and the time restrictions indicated by the MBS.

<b>HEAD (including MRI Angiography if performed)</b>		
<b>63001</b>	Tumour of brain or meninges	Unlimited
<b>63004</b>	Inflammation of brain or meninges	Unlimited
<b>63007</b>	Skull base or orbital tumour	Unlimited
<b>63040</b>	Acoustic neuroma	3 in 12 months
<b>63043</b>	Pituitary tumour	3 in 12 months
<b>63046</b>	Toxic or metabolic or ischaemic encephalopathy	3 in 12 months
<b>63049</b>	Demyelinating disease of brain	3 in 12 months
<b>63052</b>	Congenital malformation of brain or meninges	3 in 12 months
<b>63055</b>	Venous sinus thrombosis	3 in 12 months
<b>63058</b>	Head trauma	3 in 12 months
<b>63061</b>	Epilepsy	3 in 12 months
<b>63064</b>	Stroke	3 in 12 months
<b>63067</b>	Carotid or vertebral artery dissection	3 in 12 months
<b>63070</b>	Intracranial aneurysm	3 in 12 months
<b>63073</b>	Intracranial arteriovenous malformation	3 in 12 months

<b>HEAD AND NECK VESSELS</b>		
<b>63101</b>	Stroke	Unlimited

<b>HEAD AND CERVICAL SPINE</b>		
<b>63111</b>	Tumour central nervous system or meninges	Unlimited
<b>63114</b>	Inflammation central nervous system or meninges	Unlimited
<b>63125</b>	Demyelinating disease of central nervous system	3 in 12 months
<b>63128</b>	Congenital malformation central nervous system or meninges	3 in 12 months
<b>63131</b>	Syrinx (congenital or acquired)	3 in 12 months

## SPINE – ONE REGION OR TWO CONTIGUOUS REGIONS

<b>63151</b>	Infection	Unlimited
<b>63154</b>	Tumour	Unlimited
<b>63161</b>	Demyelinating	3 in 12 months
<b>63164</b>	Congenital malformation spinal cord/meninges/cauda equina	3 in 12 months
<b>63167</b>	Myelopathy	3 in 12 months
<b>63170</b>	Syrinx (congenital or acquired)	3 in 12 months
<b>63173</b>	Cervical radiculopathy	3 in 12 months
<b>63176</b>	Sciatica	3 in 12 months
<b>63179</b>	Spinal cord stenosis	3 in 12 months
<b>63182</b>	Previous spinal surgery	3 in 12 months
<b>63185</b>	Trauma	3 in 12 months

## SPINE – THREE CONTIGUOUS REGIONS OR TWO NON-CONTIGUOUS REGIONS

<b>63237</b>	Infection	Unlimited
<b>63204</b>	Tumour	3 in 12 months
<b>63219</b>	Demyelinating	3 in 12 months
<b>63222</b>	Congenital malformation spinal cord/meninges/cauda equina	3 in 12 months
<b>63225</b>	Myelopathy	3 in 12 months
<b>63228</b>	Syrinx (congenital or acquired)	3 in 12 months
<b>63231</b>	Cervical radiculopathy	3 in 12 months
<b>63234</b>	Sciatica	3 in 12 months
<b>63237</b>	Spinal cord stenosis	3 in 12 months
<b>63240</b>	Previous spinal surgery	3 in 12 months
<b>63243</b>	Trauma	3 in 12 months

## CERVICAL SPINE & BRACHIAL PLEXUS

<b>63271</b>	Tumour	3 in 12 months
<b>63274</b>	Trauma	3 in 12 months
<b>63277</b>	Cervical radiculopathy	3 in 12 months
<b>63280</b>	Previous surgery	3 in 12 months

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<b>MUSCULOSKELETAL</b>		
<b>63301</b>	Tumour arising in bone or MSK system (excludes tumours arising in Breast/Prostate/Rectum)	Unlimited
<b>63304</b>	Infection arising in bone or MSK system (excludes infections arising in Breast/Prostate/Rectum)	Unlimited
<b>63307</b>	Osteonecrosis	Unlimited
<b>63322</b>	Hip – derangement of hip or its supporting structures	3 in 12 months
<b>63325</b>	Shoulder – Derangement of shoulder or its supporting structures	3 in 12 months
<b>63328</b>	Knee – Derangement of knee or its supporting structures	3 in 12 months
<b>63331</b>	Ankle and/or foot – Derangement or its supporting structures	3 in 12 months
<b>63334</b>	TMJ's (Temporomandibular joints) – Derangement of one or both temporomandibular joints or their supporting structures	3 in 12 months
<b>63337</b>	Wrist and/or Hand – Derangement of wrist and/or hand or its supporting structures	3 in 12 months
<b>63340</b>	Elbow – Derangement of elbow or its supporting structures	3 in 12 months
<b>63361</b>	Gaucher disease	2 in 12 months

<b>PERSON UNDER AGE OF 16 YEARS</b>		
<b>63425</b>	Post inflammatory or post-traumatic physseal fusion	2 in 12 months
<b>63428</b>	Gaucher disease	2 in 12 months
<b>63440</b>	Pelvic or abdominal mass	Unlimited
<b>63443</b>	Mediastinal mass	Unlimited
<b>63446</b>	Congenital uterine/anorectal abnormality	Unlimited

<b>BODY</b>		
<b>63461</b>	Adrenal mass in a patient with malignancy which is otherwise resectable	1 in 12 months
<b>63482</b>	Pancreas/biliary tree (MRCP) suspected biliary or pancreatic pathology	3 in 12 months

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<b>PELVIS AND UPPER ABDOMEN</b>		
<b>63470</b>	<p>Pelvis for staging cervical cancer, where the request identifies that:</p> <p><b>A.</b> A histological diagnosis of carcinoma of the cervix has been made and</p> <p><b>B.</b> The patient has been diagnosed with cervical cancer at FIGO stage 1B or greater</p>	Once in a lifetime
<b>63473</b>	<p>Pelvis &amp; upper abdomen for staging cervical cancer:</p> <p>&gt; Pelvis and upper abdomen, in a single examination, for the staging of histologically</p>	Once in a lifetime
<b>63476</b>	<p>Pelvis for the initial staging of rectal cancer:</p> <p><b>A.</b> a phased array body coil is used, and</p> <p><b>B.</b> the request for scan identifies that the indication is for the initial staging of rectal</p>	Once in a lifetime
<b>63740</b>	<p>MRI to evaluate small bowel Crohn's disease (MR Enterography) Medicare benefits are only payable for this item if the service is provided to patients:</p> <p>&gt; Evaluation of disease extent at time of initial diagnosis of Crohn's disease</p> <p>&gt; Evaluation of exacerbation/suspected complications of known Crohn's disease</p> <p>&gt; Evaluation of known or suspected Crohn's disease in pregnancy</p> <p>&gt; Assessment of change to therapy in patients with small bowel Crohn's disease</p>	Change to therapy can only be claimed once in 12 month period
<b>63743</b>	<p>MRI for fistulising perianal Crohn's disease (Pelvis for sepsis / fistula) Medicare benefits are only payable for this item if the service is provided to patients for:</p> <p>&gt; Evaluation of pelvic sepsis and fistulas associated with established or suspected Crohn's disease</p> <p>&gt; Assessment of change to therapy of pelvis sepsis and fistulas from Crohn's disease</p>	Change to therapy can only be claimed once in 12 month period

**Limited Information on Medicare items for the following regions is available due to their complexity.**

- > Cardiac MRI
- > Breast MRI
- > Prostate MRI
- > Liver MRI

Please contact Territory X-ray for further information if these scans are required.