

Item 293

review of outpatient mental health assessments made easy

Review of one-off assessments

Private psychiatrists based at Brisbane Waters Private Hospital Consulting Suites offer appointments for MBS Item 293 for review of your patient's MBS Item 291 (one-off) assessments that you manage in your practice.

Item 293 is available where a review of the plan provided under Item 291 is not achieving the anticipated outcome. When a plan is reviewed, it is expected that any modifications necessary will be made.

Item 293 assessment suitability criteria

Criteria Question	Inclusion Answer
- Is your patient under a one-off assessment and management plan (Item 291)	YES
- Is your patient in a crisis situation?	NO
- Is a review of Item 291 appropriate to support the care of your patient?	YES
- Will you be responsible for continuing care of the patient?	YES
- Do you require the assessment for a third party (eg: Court, WorkCover, Superannuation)?	NO
- Are there any risk factors that make attendance by this patient at private psychiatric rooms inappropriate?	NO

Referral flowchart

Current plan provided under a previous Item 291 not achieving anticipated outcome



Criteria met: GP faxes referral to Brisbane Waters Private Hospital Consulting Suites on 02 4342 7164



Criteria not met: consider outpatient referral assessment and possible treatment

Referral approved by psychiatrist and appointment offered



Brisbane Waters Private Hospital Consulting Suite staff contact patient directly to confirm appointment time and details



Psychiatrist communicates revised management plan to referring GP within two weeks of appointment

Ensure 'Item 293 referral' is specified

It is essential that all referring general practitioners also specify 'Item 293 referral' on the completed referral form.

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Please contact us if you have any questions or require assistance with Item 293 assessments and forms.