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## **REQUEST FOR CARDIOLOGY CONSULT AND INVESTIGATIONS**

Patient Name:	DOB:	Attention Requesting Practitioners
Referring Doctor:	Provider No:	Effective 1 August 2020, Medicare has made significant changes to Cardiac Services Item #s including specific
Referring Doctor Address:		indications, who can refer and how often.
		Please review the guidelines we've provided and
		request within them. Tests requested outside of these
Signature:	Date:	guidelines <b>can</b> be done, however, the patient <b>will not</b> be
		eligible for a rebate.

Request for:	Limitations	Indications (one indication per test requested MUST be selected)
Cardiac Consult	NIL	
□Resting ECG	NIL	
□24 Hour ECG(Holter)	Once ever 4 weeks	□Syncope □Presyncope □Palpitations >1/wk
		Asymptomatic arrhythmia suspected >1/wk
		Post Cardiac Surgery Detection of AF after TIA or stroke
		□Baby, young child or other patient where HR needs to be documented
		but unable to obtain accurate history
<b>24 Hour BP Monitor</b>	NIL	
Exercise Stress ECG (11729)	<ul> <li>Once per 2 years (including myocardial</li> </ul>	Symptoms consistent with cardiac ischaemia
< 17 years of age (11730)	perfusion scan and	Other cardiac disease which may be exacerbated by exercise
	Stress Echo	□1° relative with suspected heritable arrhythmia
□Resting Echo (55126)	Request by <u>ANY</u> Medical	Investigation of
Initial Study	<ul><li>Practitioner (incl. GP)</li><li>Once per 2 years (incl. all</li></ul>	□Symptoms or signs of cardiac failure
	• Office per 2 years (incl. all other ECHO Item #s)	□Suspected or known LVH or LV dysfunction
		Pulmonary HTN DHeart Tumour
		□Valvular, aortic, pericardial, thrombotic or embolic disease
		□Symptoms or signs of congenital heart disease
		Other rare indications
Exercise Stress Echo (55141)	Request by <u>ANY</u>	Patient displays 1 or more of the following (typical or atypical angina):
Initial Study	Medical Practitioner	Constricting discomfort
	<ul><li>(incl. GP)</li><li>Once per 2 years</li></ul>	□Symptoms are precipitated by physical exertion
	(incl. 55143 & 55146)	<ul> <li>Symptoms are relieved by GTN within 5 minutes</li> <li>Patient has known CAD and displays one or more of the following:</li> </ul>
Please elaborate on signs/symptoms/indications:		□Symptoms not adequately controlled by medical therapy
		□Symptoms have evolved since last functional study
		Patient has one or more of the following:
		Congenital HD, has undergone Sx & has suspected ischaemia
		DECG c/w CAD burden with unknown functional significance
		CTCA shows CAD burden with unknown functional significance
		□Absence of CAD exertional dyspnoea of uncertainty aetiology
		Pre-op assessment of a patient with exercise capacity <4 METs & has
		at least one of : IHD, CCF, CVA or TIA, CRF (CR>170, CC,60), IDDM
		Pre Cardiac Sx or PCI to assess: severity of AS or valvular regurgitation
		& functional capacity, or ischameic threshold Patients with silent ischameia (suspected or known), where
		communication issue prevents symptom assessment
□Resting Echo (55133)	Request by <u>ANY</u> Medical	Isolated pericardial effusion or pericarditis
Frequent Repetition Study	Practitioner (incl. GP)	□Monitoring of patients on medication (required to comply with PBS
·····		Guidelines)