

Press release

Private Health Insurers Premium Increases 1 October 2020

Premiums continue to rise which is the reality of the private health system.

Private Health Insurance rebates paid to the private day hospital sector can be substantially lower than the payments received by the large corporate private hospitals.

Private health insurers could be reducing their costs by advising their members of the health services available in day hospitals. Often there is a choice available for the consumer to select a day hospital for their surgery, diagnostic procedure or medical treatment.

The majority of day hospitals have contracts with most of the private health insurers.

Day hospitals play a major role in health care delivery in Australia, with 357 private stand-alone facilities providing quality, cost-effective surgical, diagnostic and medical care to thousands of patients each year.

Information regarding individual Day Hospitals can be accessed through the Day Hospitals Australia website: <https://www.dayhospitalsaustralia.net.au/list-of-members/>

Consumers can call a member of Day Hospitals Australia to enquire about their services and the specialist doctors who work there. The hospital can also provide expert advice about cover available from the consumer's health insurance fund for the specific procedure they require.

The specialised nature of Day Hospitals has led to better patient outcomes including shorter length of stay, reduced costs, efficient, quality care with minimal complications, including hospital acquired infections.

Day hospitals are moving towards performing more advanced procedures for patients including joint replacements and laparoscopic surgeries, providing an alternative to the large hospital, with cost effective, high quality care with minimal complication rates, specialist staff and a significantly lower risk of infection.

Make day hospitals your first choice.

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