

Manually Updating Clinic Health Fund Fees

Whether it is Medicare, DVA, or Health Funds, FYDO keeps your item fees up to date, automatically.

Note: Your FYDO system maintains the latest Medicare/ DVA fees by default. To enable automatic fee updates for the Health Funds, click on the link below:

<https://wiki.fydo.cloud/Health-Fund-Fees>

Manually updating health fund fees

The manual procedure can only update fees for items that have already been added to your FYDO system. So, to prevent having to re-run the update for a given health fund, we recommend that you add all the items you need to bill *before* running the update.

Not sure how to add items? Click on the link below to learn how:

<https://wiki.fydo.cloud/adding-mbs-items/>

Ready to manually update your health funds fees? Let's get started!

First, go to **Settings > Bulk Fee Update**



You will now see the **Bulk Fee Update** screen where you will need to update *two* sets of fees for *each* health fund. The first set are the “Old fees/ codes” and the second set are the “Current fees/ code” (**To be updated in that order**).

1. The Old Fees are what will be charged for services where the *Date of Service* is prior to the introduction date of *new* fees for a given item.
2. The Current Fees are the **latest fees** and will be charged for services where the *Date of Service* is on or after when new fees were introduced for a given item.

SETTINGS > ITEMS > 110 - PROFESSIONAL ATTENDANCE AT CONSULT

Item Details

Number: 110
 Procedure Name: Professional attendance at consult
 Notes:
 Link Procedures: ?

Category: 1
 Item Type:
 Modal:
 Rule: Dummy
☒ Active
☐ 100% rebate ?
☐ Stock Item
☐ R
☐ A

Classifications - Hospital

Theatre Band (National):
 Theatre Band (State):
 Day Type:
 Patient Class:
 DVA Accommodation:
☐ Same Day Accom Band 1 Override
☐ Accom Item ?
☐ Eclipse Code Mapping
☐ ADA Code
☐ Timebase ?

Fees Schedules - Clinic

		Current	Threshold	Old	
Level	Level Name	Fee ex GST	GST	Date	Fee ex GST
0	DVA In-hospital	\$ 217.95	<input type="checkbox"/>	01/02/2021	\$ 217.95
1	MBS 100%	\$ 157.95	<input type="checkbox"/>	01/02/2021	\$ 157.95
2	Workers Comp	\$ 0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	01/01/2020	\$ 0.00
3	Private Fee 3	\$ 0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	01/01/2020	\$ 0.00
4	AHSA	\$ 185.70	<input type="checkbox"/>	01/11/2020	\$ 185.70
5	BUPA	\$ 189.60	<input type="checkbox"/>	01/11/2020	\$ 189.60
6	HCF	\$ 189.90	<input type="checkbox"/>	01/11/2020	\$ 189.90

"Current fees" - Fee after threshold date of 01/02/2021

"Old fees" - Fee prior to threshold date of 01/02/2021

In other words, every item has two fees – the current fee and the last fee before the current. Therefore, before we can update the current fees, we need to push them to the old fees.

Updating the old fees

There are a number of ways to update fees:

- Importing an Excel file – update fees from excel file
- Percentage – update fees as a percentage of the old or current fees
- Pricing – update fees by dollar amount

This blog post recommends using the percentage option. So, as shown in the screenshot below:

1. Set the *Update Fee Level* to: **the health fund** you wish to update fees for,
2. Set the *Codes* to: **Old Codes**,
3. Set the *Change Fee By* to **Percentage**
4. Set the *Base Fee Level* to: **the same health fund** chosen in **step 1**
5. Set the *Percentage* to: **100.00**

FEES SETUP > BULK FEE UPDATE

Bulk Fee Update

Update Fee Level
 5 - BUPA

Codes
 Old Codes

Change Fee By
 Percentage

Base Fee Level
 5 - BUPA

Codes
 Old Codes

Percentage (%)
 100.00

Then, click the **Save** button

Save

This will replace the Old fees of all items for the selected health fund with the current value of the current fees.

Updating the current fees

Next, we must update the current fees; and we do this on the same screen as above. We will be updating the health funds fees by importing an Excel sheet.

As shown in the screenshot below:

1. Set the *Update Fee level* to: **the health fund** you wish to update fees for,
2. Set the *Codes* to: **Current Codes**,
3. Set the *Change Fee By* to: **Importing an excel file**

Next, you'll need to download the excel file containing the fees for that health fund from our website at the link below:

<https://au.acsshealth.com/healthfundfees/>

Note: Be sure to download the appropriate file based on your state (if applicable) and Gap or No Gap (if applicable).

Once downloaded, browse for the file using the **Browse** button, select the file, and hit **Save**.

The screenshot shows a form with two main sections. On the left, under 'Change Fee By', there is a dropdown menu currently showing 'Importing an excel file'. On the right, under 'Upload File', there is a text input field and a blue 'Browse' button. A red box and a red circle with the number '1' highlight the 'Browse' button. Below the input field, the text 'Template File' is visible. At the bottom right of the form, there is a green 'Save' button and a grey 'Cancel' button. A red box and a red circle with the number '2' highlight the 'Save' button.

This will replace the Current fees of all items for the selected health fund with the latest fees released by the health fund, from the Excel sheet uploaded.

That's it! You have successfully updated the fees for the health fund. Repeat the process for as many funds as necessary.








Clinic Billing - Overseas Patients

Need to bill an overseas patient? Read on to learn how.

Step 1: Bill manual invoice

Overseas claims are received and processed manually. This means you cannot bill such claims through eclipse for electronic lodgement. Therefore, you'll need to create and send a manual invoice.

Note: Ensure the **Bill Type** is set to: *Private* and the **Type** is set to: *Health Fund*

Location			
Eccles 			
Practitioner			
CELES, Peter 			
DOS		Hospital	
31/12/2020 	<input type="checkbox"/> In Hospital		
Bill Type		Type	
Private 		Health Fund 	
Fee Level		Known Gap	
Level 3 - BUPA 		<input type="checkbox"/> Known Gap	0.00

Step 2: Print manual invoice to PDF

Note sure how to print invoices? [Click here to learn how](#)

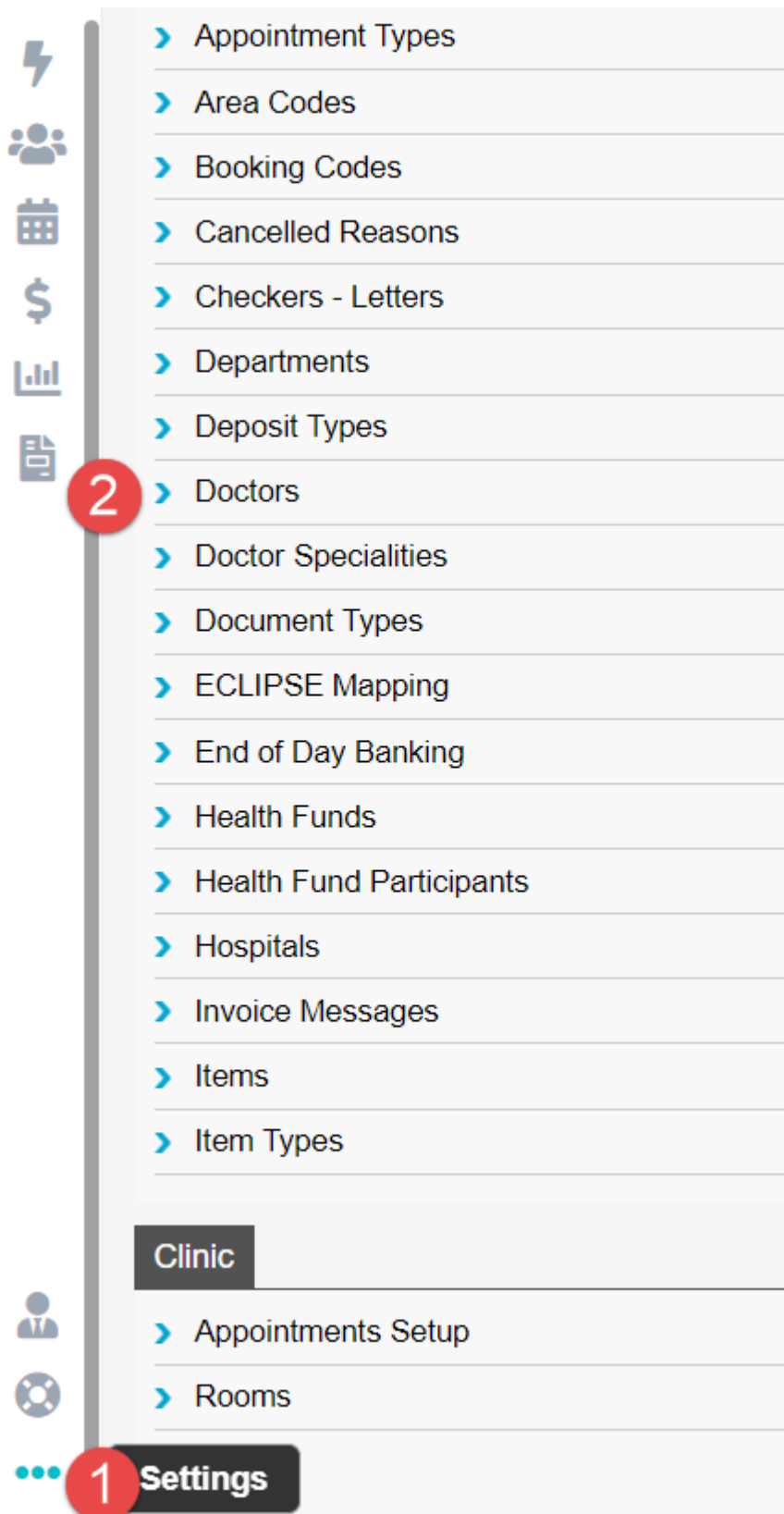
Step 3: (Conditional - If claim is for Medibank or AHM) complete the corresponding claim form and save it to your computer

- Medibank - [click here](#) to download claim form
- AHM - [click here](#) to download claim form

Step 3: (Conditional - If claim is for BUPA,) complete BUPA batch header form and save it to your computer

- [Click here](#) to download batch header form
- Enter the practice name as the location of the service and the **practice id** as the doctor's BUPA **FundPayeeId**

If you have previously entered the doctor's FundPayeeId into FYDO, you may find it by going to **Settings > Doctors**:



Location	Eccles	▼	Clinic
Department	▼		
Provider		Date of Birth	Age
Payee Provider		Fund Payee ID	12345
Dr ABN	- - -		

Step 4: Send off the documents

- Once you are ready to send off the invoice, contact the health fund and ask what email address they would like the manual claim sent to, as well as whether they require any other supporting documents
- Need their contact details? Follow the link below:

<https://wiki.fydo.cloud/medicare-and-fund-contacts-dealing-with-rejections/>

Step 5: Follow up & pay off the invoice

- We'd recommend you call the health fund a couple of business days after you email them to ensure your email has been received and will be looked at in the coming days
- After this point, you may wish to follow up every couple of weeks, inquiring whether or not your invoice has been paid
- Once the invoice has been confirmed to be paid, pay it off on FYDO

That's it! That's how to do overseas billing for patients.

How to Resend a "Sent" Clinic Batch

From time to time, you may need to resend an already sent batch. But before we discuss how you'd do this, let's first discuss why you may need to resend a batch.

In almost all cases, you'd need to resend a batch if it either:

- Has not yet been paid / rejected within the expected period (up to 2 business days for Medicare/ DVA claims and up to 4 weeks for health fund claims). You've then called the health fund, Medicare, or DVA, and found out they have not received the claim. Thus, they've asked you to resend it

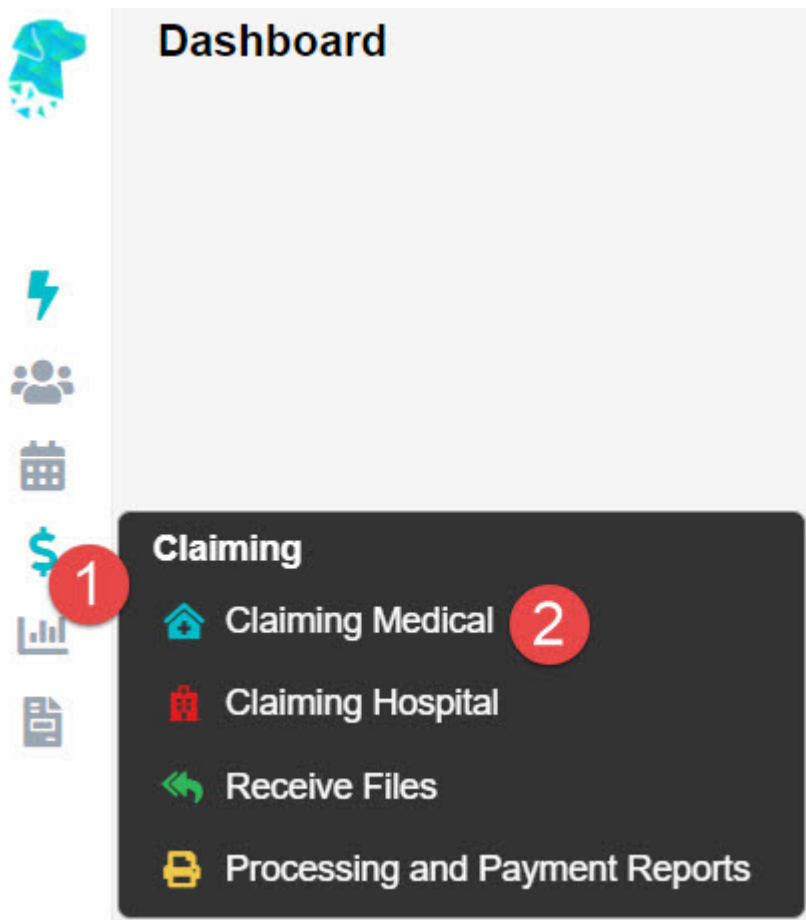
- Has been partially or fully rejected and you can rectify the cause of rejection without rebilling

You do not want to resend a batch if:

- It is rejected and you wish to resend it as it is, without making any changes to the original claim. Since, if nothing changes about the claim, it will likely be rejected again
- If you have not first spoken with the body receiving the claim. It is always recommended that you first contact the organisation receiving the claim and inquire. This is because you do not want to send a duplicate claim if you do not need to. In most cases, this is not a major concern. However, it could cause problems such as a rejection of both claims (the original and the duplicate) or increased processing time if a duplicate claim is received

With that addressed, if you still need to resend an already sent claim, read on.

Start off by going to **Claiming Medical**.



If the batch **Status** is *Sent* or *Processed*, you may right-click on the batch and select **Reset Batch Status**.

Status	KG	Paid
Closed		0.00
Processed		361.85
Processed		800.50
Processed		747.25
Processed		829.75
Processed		931.25

Apply Payment
Reset Batch Status

This will make the batch status revert to *Closed*, allowing you to resend the batch with the **Send Batch** button.

Status	KG
Closed	
Processed	
Processed	
Processed	

View Batch Details
Apply Payment
Send Batch
Edit Payment

Otherwise, if the batch **Status** is *Payment Received* with a partial or full rejection, double click on the batch to open it up, revealing the invoice(s) inside.

If you wish to resend the invoice in its entirety (with all items inside), simply right-click on the desired invoice and click on **Move Invoice Out**.

CLAIM DETAILS > BATCH DETAILS

Location **Eccles (ID: 1)**
 Practitioner **CELES, Peter (ID: 24)**
 Provider
 Type **Medicare**
 Category **Specialist**

Patient Name ↓	MRN	DOS ↓	Inv
BURDETTE, Pamela	117	30/12/2020	25
JACKSON, Jade	109	06/11/2020	19
PAM, Cara	116	05/11/2020	20

Delete Invoice
 Edit Invoice
 Move Invoice Out
 Patient Screen
 View Items

Otherwise, if you wish to resend only a part of the invoice (1 or more items but not all), double click on the invoice, revealing the items inside.

CLAIM DETAILS > BATCH DETAILS > ITEM DETAILS

Location **Eccles (ID: 1)**
 Practitioner **MERION UNIT, Nursing (ID: 22)**
 Provider **0**
 Type **Veterans**
 Category **Community Nursing**

Batch ID **4**
 Batch Number
 Date Closed **30/12/2020**
 Batch Status **Closed**
 Transaction ID

Referring Dr **SMITH, John - 0653147B**
 Referral Date **01/09/2020 - 99 months**

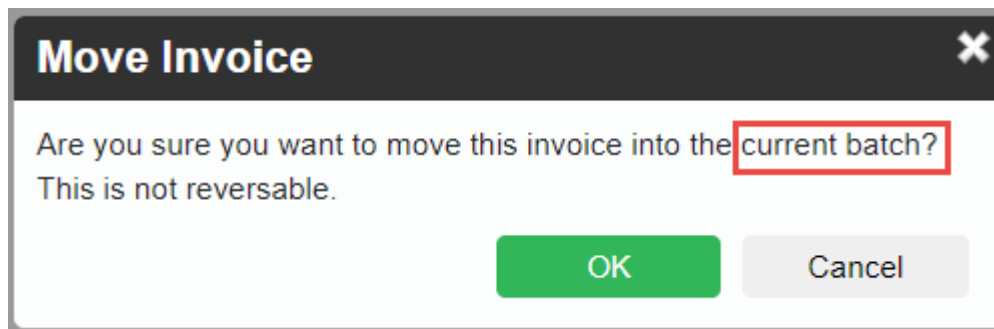
Invoice Text
 Referral Flag

ID	Code	DOS	Description	Rule	Claimed	GST
1	NP01	29/09/2020	Personal Care Core Schedule - Short, Medium or Long 1 to 5		171.49	15.59
2	NL01	29/09/2020	Clinical Care Core Schedule - term support 1 to 2		107.53	9.78

Edit Item
 Move Item

Then, right-click on the item you wish to resend and select **Move Item**.

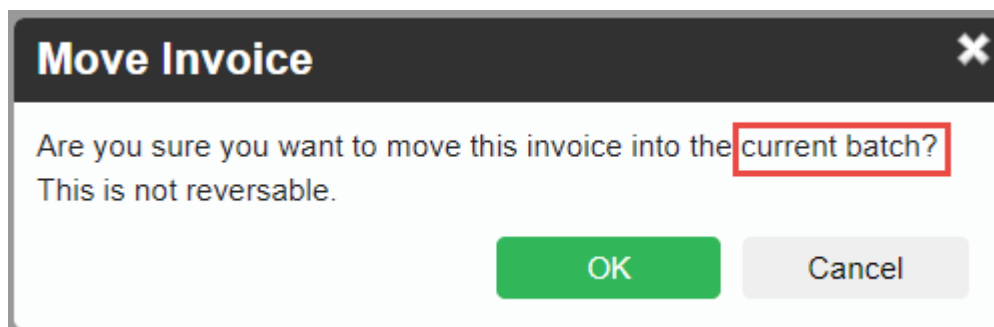
This will present you with the below pop-up window; and as you can see, it will move the invoice/item to the current batch.



Current batch:

- If it is a **Medicare** or **DVA** invoice: it will be moved into the *Open* batch for that provider. If no open batch is present, a new one will be created
- If it is a **Health Fund** invoice: it will be moved into a new *Closed* batch.

From here, you may close the batch if it is not yet closed and send it by right-clicking the batch and selecting **Send Batch**.



[Deceased Patient Clinic Billing](#)

Need to bill Medicare, DVA, or a health fund for a patient that is now deceased?

You can always attempt to send the claim electronically. However, in most cases, you will need to create a manual invoice and send it manually, for manual review.

So, here's one thing you can do before you decide whether or not to send the claim electronically. Run the *Online Patient Verification check* with the **As At** field date set to the latest *Date of Service* you wish to bill the deceased patient for.

Eligibility Screen			
Type	Health Fund	As at	19/02/2021
Last Medicare Check	-	Last Health Fund Check	-
<input type="button" value="Check"/>			

If the check returns an eligible patient (noted with a green box around the Medicare and health fund card numbers), you may consider sending the claim electronically, as you're used to. However, this does not guarantee the claim will be paid.

Medicare/DVA Details	
Medicare Number	2111-11111-1
Eligibility	Eligible - Australian Resident
Veterans No.	
DVA Auth.No	
Entitlement Card	

To learn how to create a manual invoice, click on the link below:

<https://wiki.fydo.cloud/How-to-create-a-manual-invoice>

How to Delete Clinic Invoices

Needing to remove an invoice? There are two places where you could do so:

1. Via the **Patient's Record**, or
2. Via the **Batch** in **Claiming Medical**

Additionally, there are two use cases for deleting invoices:

1. Deleting the entire invoice (all items held)
2. Deleting a part of the invoice (1 or some items deleted, but not all)

Let’s take a closer look at both options and use cases.

Deleting through the Patient’s Record

Begin by opening the patient record of the patient in question and click on the **Accounts** button.



This button reveals a patient’s billing/ treatment history where **each line is an invoice**:

Patient Details

Other

Appointments

Recalls

Accounts

Episodes

Communication

Documents

Account Status

All

...

2

▼

Service Type

All

▼

From

📅

To

Inv# ↑	Date of Service	Doctor	Service Type	Inv Amount
4	25/08/2020	Chandra, Pete	Medicare	\$ 134.30
3	25/08/2020	Chandra, Pete	Medicare	\$ 38.75

So from here, simply double click on the invoice you wish to delete.



This will open up the invoice, revealing the item numbers inside.

From here, you may simply right click on the desired item and select **delete**, enter a reason, and hit **OK** to delete the item.

You may repeat this step for as many items as you need to delete.

Note: Deleting the final item in the invoice will effectively delete the entire invoice.

Invoice Details

Invoice Number 3

Service Type Medicare - Outpatient

Payor Medicare

Status **Awaiting Payment (\$38.75)**

Invoiced \$38.75

Location Eccles (ID:1)

Servicing Doctor Chandra, Pete (ID: 3)

Billing Notes -

Referring Doctor -

Batch ID 0

Referral Date - - 0 months

Referral Flag N - Not required (non referred)

Batch Status Open

Show voided transactions

Print Invoice

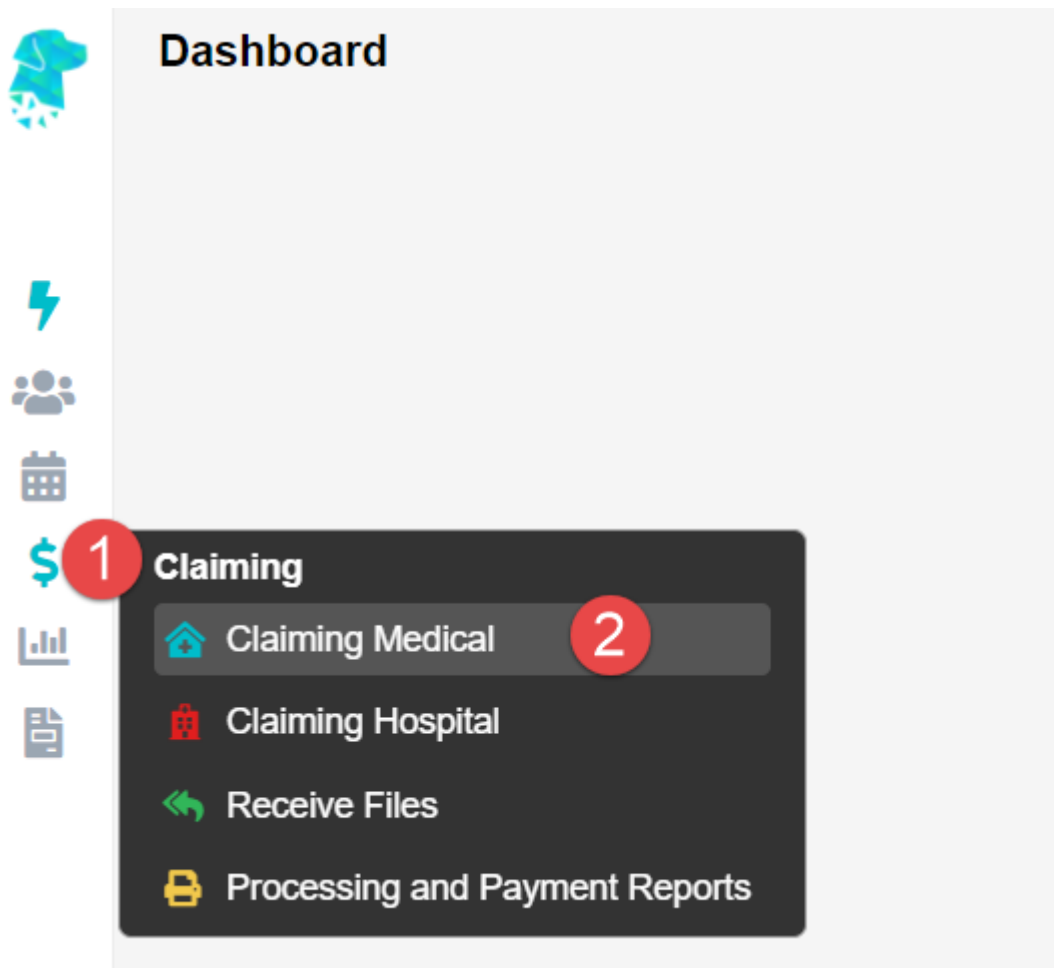
Date of Service	Acc Period	Item Code	Item Description	Unit Price	QTY	GST	Charge inc GST	Audit Date	User	Status
25/08/2020	25/08/2020	23	Professional attendance by a general practitioner at consult...	\$ 38.75	1	\$ 0.00	\$ 38.75	25/08/2020 02:02 PM	Amir Balouchi (ACSS)	

Alternatively, you can delete invoices from the **Claiming Medical** section of FYDO, found under the **Claiming** tab.

Deleting through the Claiming Medical

Place your mouse over the **Medical** tab (\$ Sign) and select **Claiming Medical**.


You will now see all your batches. So select the batch holding the invoice(s) you wish to delete.



This screen is where **invoices** created go. They go inside a batch that is then **sent** from this screen.






Note: this does not apply to **Private** invoices. These are invoices with the *Bill Type* set to *Private* in the billing screen.

So you may double click on the batch holding the desired invoice to be deleted.



CLAIMING MEDICAL							
Location		Provider		Type		Status	
All locations		All Providers		All Types		8 items checked	

Type	ID	Batch #	Qty	Date ↑	Provider	Claimed	Status
Medicare	0	3			CHANDRA, Pete	480.40	Open

You will now see the invoice(s) inside the batch.



Import note: Pay attention to the number of items in the invoice in question.

- If you wish to delete all of the items within the invoice, simply right click on the invoice here, and select **Delete Invoice**

CLAIM DETAILS > BATCH DETAILS

Location

Eccles (ID: 1)

Practitioner

CHANDRA, Pete (ID: 3)

Provider

Type

Medicare

Category

Specialist

Batch ID

0

Batch Number

Date Closed

Batch Status

Open

Patient Name ↓	MRN	DOS ↓	Inv	KG	Claimed	Items
BOLD, Katie	119	25/08/2020	6		173.05	2
BOLD, Katie		28/08/2020	7		173.05	2

Delete Invoice

Edit Invoice

Move Invoice Out

Patient Screen

View Items

- Otherwise, if you wish to only delete a portion of the invoice (some items, but not all), simply double click on the invoice to open it up. Then right click on the items to be deleted and select **Move Item**

Location	Eccles (ID: 1)	Batch ID	0	MRN	118
Practitioner	CHANDRA, Pete (ID: 3)	Batch Number		Patient	BOLD, Katie
Provider		Date Closed		DOB	29/05/1939
Type	Medicare	Batch Status	Open	Gender	Female
Category	Specialist	Transaction ID			

Referring Dr
Referral Date

Invoice Text
Referral Flag **N - Not required (non referred)**

ID	Code	DOS	Description	Rule	Claimed	GST	Payable	MedExc
1	23	28/08/2020	Professional attendance by a general practitioner at consult		00.75	0.00	0.00	
2	110	28/08/2020	Professional attendance at consulting rooms or hospital, by	W		0.00	0.00	

Edit Item

Move Item

How to Create a Manual Clinic Invoice

From time to time, you may need to bill a *manual invoice*. Other terms for this type of invoice include: *private invoice* or *paper based invoice*.

When would you need to bill a manual invoice? In the event a patient is a private patient and thus will be paying for services rendered directly. Or perhaps when the patient does not have medicare entitlements (such as overseas patients) and the invoice will need to be sent to their health insurance. Additionally, you may need to send the health funds a manual invoice where manual assessment is required; such as when you are seeking an adjustment.

Now that you know when you'd need to create a manual invoice, let's jump right into it.

Start off by opening the patient's record and click on the blue **"Bill Patient"** button.

Bill Patient

You can also use the hotkey 'B'!

This will take you to the **Clinical Billing** page, where you'll need to select the:

- **Location:** the location where the service took place. If you only have one, it will be defaulted
- **Practitioner:** the practitioner who performed the service. If you only have one, it will be defaulted
- **DOS:** date of service
- **Bill Type:** Private
- **Type: 'Patient'** If the invoice is being sent to the patient, or **'Health Fund'** - If the invoice is

being sent to the patient's Health Fund

PATIENT > **CLINICAL BILLING**

MRN **117** Patient **BURDETTE, Pamela**

Location
Eccles

Practitioner
CELES, Peter

DOS
29/12/2020 ☐ In Hospital

Hospital

Bill Type
Private

Fee Level
Level 3 - BUPA

Type
Patient

Employer	E
Health Fund	H
Other	O
Patient	P

Referral

Referrals

The last step before we can begin billing is to enter any needed referral information. If this does not apply to you, click on **Add Items** and proceed to the next section.

Otherwise, simply fill out the **Referral** section as seen below. If you only have one referring doctor for this patient, they will be automatically selected here (provided it has not expired).

Referral

Referral Flag

Previous Referrals

Referring Doctor **ADD REFERRING DOCTOR** Referral To

TESTER, Marko x TESTER, Dr Bill x

Referral Date **19/05/2020** Period **12** First Consult

☐ Site Referral (global)

[ADD ANOTHER REFERRAL](#)

Once you are done with the above segments, click on the green **Add Items** button in the bottom left corner of your screen.

Add Items

You will arrive at the **Clinic Billing** page. Here we can see a brief overview of previous information for the patient, and where we can bill an invoice.

It is as easy as typing in the item you need and selecting it. There are two different ways to search for the item as shown below:

- **Search for the item number itself.**
- **Search for a word in the description.** This can either be at the start, or anywhere within the description!

DOS	Item	Description
17/08/2020	I	

Once you have entered all your items and payments as desired, click on the **Review Charges** button to proceed to the final page of billing.

Review Charges

(Conditional) Applying Payment *at* the billing process

If the patient is paying the invoice, you can add payments captured from the patient onto the invoice using the **Add Payment** button.

Otherwise, if you are sending the invoice elsewhere to be paid. Skip this step for now and proceed to '**Clinic Review Charges**'. You will be able to add payment against the invoice later, once it is paid.

Add Payment

The above button will present you with a pop-up to enter the payment information. The total invoice amount will be prefilled in the **Amount** field.

So, you may simply allocate the payment type and hit save as below:

Payment

Accounting Period

17/08/2020

Type

Amount

196.70

Apply Gap

Drawer

BAKERR, Maryrose

Reference

Bank

Branch

Save

Cancel

Clinic Review Charges

You may notice that this page looks nearly identical to the previous **Clinic Billing** page. The only real difference is that you can no longer add or change items, and there are additional buttons at the bottom.

You will also be able to see the **Total Charges** for the items you have billed like so:

Total Charges	\$196.70	Total GST	\$0.00
Total Rebate	\$173.05	Out of Pocket	\$23.65

Lets go over the options on this screen:

Edit Item And Charges

Cancel

Save

Save & Print

Edit Item And Charges: Realised you have made a mistake? Click this button to go back to the previous page and fix it up!

Cancel: Cancel out of this billing. This will take you back to the **Patient Screen**.

Save: Saves this invoice.

Save & Print: this saves and prints the invoice.

That's it! You've successfully created a manual invoice; and if you've paid it off on the spot, there is nothing else that you need to do.

Otherwise, assuming you've sent the invoice to a health fund, you will need to follow up with them every couple of weeks to see whether or not it is paid. Once it is paid, follow the steps below to pay it off on FYDO.

Applying manual payments

Your manual invoice is paid now? [Click here to learn how to apply a manual payment to it.](#)

Resubmitting and Deleting Clinic Batches

Sometimes you may need to **Resubmit** or **Delete** a batch depending on rejections.

You will only be able to move or delete a batch if the invoices within do not have payments

Resubmitting a Batch

To Resubmit a Batch you will first have to move each **invoice** within to a new batch. We can then go ahead and send that new batch.

1. View the batch in question so you can see the invoices within
2. Right click and select '**Move Invoice Out**'
3. Confirm the move

Patient Name ↓	MRN	DOS ↓	Inv	KG	Claimed	Items
CAREY, Mariah	107	30/12/2020	89		173.05	2
CAREY, Mariah	107	30/12/2020	92		38.75	1

If you head back to **Claiming Medical**, you will now notice a new batch that contains any invoices that were moved. Simply follow the usual process for closing and sending this batch.

For Eclipse claims, you will still only be able to have one patient per batch.

Deleting a Batch

To Delete a Batch, you will have to either **move** or **delete** each invoice within. Then the batch will simply disappear.

1. View the batch so you can see the invoices within
2. Right click and select '**Delete Invoice**'
3. Provide a reason and select **Delete**

This is an internal reason just for your future reference.

Patient Name ↓	MRN	DOS ↓	Inv	KG	Claimed	Items
CAREY, Mariah	107	30/12/2020	89		173.05	2

You can also use **Reverse**. This produces an adjustment against the invoice, rather than just deleting it.

Rejected Clinic Batches

Once you have done some billings, you may notice that payments have come back for a lower amount, or perhaps you have received no payment at all!

Identifying batches with issues

The easiest way to spot if a batch had an issue, is to simply look at the **Paid** column. If you see any amount in **Red**, then some action will be required.

Claimed	Status	KG	Paid	PaidDate
43.60	Processed		33.50	
63.25	Processed		63.25	
63.70	Processed		63.70	
63.70	Processed		63.70	
41.55	Processed		41.55	
43.60	Processed		0.00	
43.60	Processed		0.00	
63.25	Processed		63.25	
66.35	Processed		51.00	

We can see in the image above, that we have two batches that are **partially paid** (Less than what we claimed). We also have two batches that are just **Rejected** (\$0.00 Paid).

Dealing with the Batches

First, double click on the batch to view inside. You can also right click and select **View Batch Details** if you prefer.

Once you can see a list of patients within a batch, the thing to keep an eye out for is an icon in the **Issue** column.

Claimed	Items	Issue	IH	Note
43.60	1	!	Y	

You may have one, or multiple patients with an issue. Any patient with a **Rejection** or **Partial**

Payment will have the above icon.

Viewing the Rejection Reason

Now that we have identified which patient(s) have an issue. It's time to see what the issue actually is.

Again, lets double click on a patient, or using the right click menu, select **View Items**.

Payable	MedExc	MedPay	FundExc	FundPay
0.00	999 - Missing exception code from exception statement	0.00	2001 NO HOSPITAL CLAIM (PEA)	0.00

In the above case, this is a fairly easy rejection to identify the issue. We have the error code **2001 No Hospital Claim (PEA)**. From this we can deduce that the hospital has not submitted their invoice yet, and as such we cannot be paid. Our options are to just wait and try to resubmit, or you could confirm with the hospital when they are sending their claim.

One of the most common issues is that you have been paid a different amount to what you claimed. This could happen for a number of reasons such as:

- Fee Changes by Medicare/Health Funds
- Doctors agreement with a fund
- Old date of Service

Charge inc GST	GST	Payable
66.35	0	51.00
<input type="checkbox"/> GST applicable		

To amend this, simply right click on the item and select **Edit**. Alternatively use the hotkey 'E'. Then just alter the **Charge inc GST** to be equal to the **Payable** amount, as shown above.

Contacts

Not all rejections will be as simple as the ones above. In a case where you are not sure what a rejection reason means, or why something has not been paid, it is best to contact the organisation who rejected it.

We have a [complete list of phone and email](#) for medicare and the health funds.

How to Bill Patient Clinic Claims

Ready to bill through the **Patient Claims** billing channel? Follow along to learn how.

Need to learn more about Patient Claims first? [Click here](#) for more.

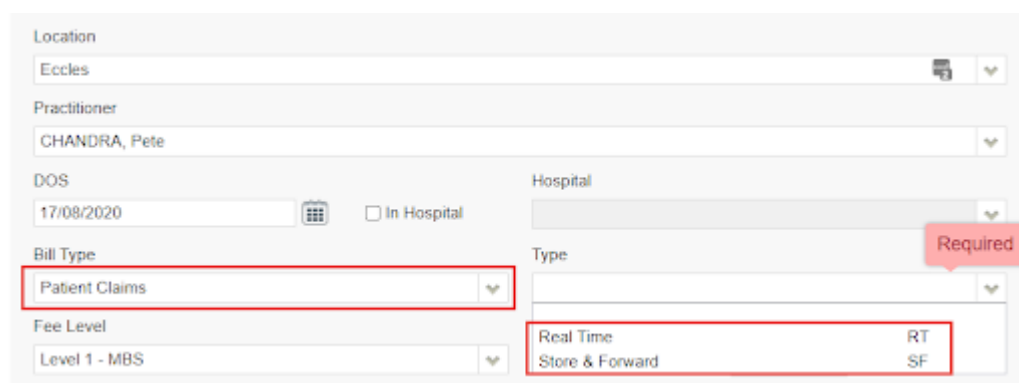
To get started, from the **Patient Record**, we are going to click on the **Bill Patient** button.

A rectangular button with rounded corners, light blue background, and a thin grey border. The text "Bill Patient" is centered in a medium blue font.

You can also use the hotkey 'B'!

This will take you to the **Clinical Billing** page, where you'll need to select the:

- **Location:** the location where the service took place. If you only have one, it will be defaulted
- **Practitioner:** the practitioner who performed the service. If you only have one, it will be defaulted
- **DOS:** date of service
- **Bill Type:** Patient Claims
- **Type:** 'Store & Forward', or 'Real Time' - more on this below

A screenshot of a web form for clinical billing. The form has several sections: 'Location' with a dropdown menu showing 'Eccles'; 'Practitioner' with a dropdown menu showing 'CHANDRA, Pete'; 'DOS' with a date input field showing '17/08/2020' and a calendar icon, and an unchecked checkbox labeled 'In Hospital'; 'Hospital' with a dropdown menu; 'Bill Type' with a dropdown menu showing 'Patient Claims' (highlighted with a red box); 'Type' with a dropdown menu showing 'Real Time' and 'Store & Forward' (highlighted with a red box), and a red 'Required' label; and 'Fee Level' with a dropdown menu showing 'Level 1 - MBS'.

Store & Forward vs Real Time

The primary difference between these two types of Patient Claims is that:

- With **Real Time**, your invoices are sent to Medicare *in real time, as they are created*. That is, they do not go into a batch that you then manually send off at the end of the day. They do end up in a batch however.
- Whereas with **Store & Forward**, invoices enter a batch for later transmission. This is how all other Bill Types such as Eclipse, Medicare, and DVA behave.

Some things to note about Real Time

- Should you need to delete an invoice after creating it, you have until the close of business that day to delete it, via the software. This is called '**Same Day Delete**'
- However, if you realise you need to delete an invoice the next day or later, you will now need to contact Medicare and ask them to delete/ ignore the invoice on their end
 - If you realise you need to delete an invoice and it has already been paid, again, you will need to contact Medicare and process a refund.

Referrals

The last step before we can begin billing is to enter any needed referral information. If this does not apply to you, click on **Add Items** and proceed to the next section.

Otherwise, simply fill out the **Referral** section as seen below. If you only have one referring doctor for this patient, they will be automatically selected here (provided it has not expired).

Referral

Referral Flag

Previous Referrals

Referring Doctor

TESTER, Marko x

ADD REFERRING DOCTOR

Referral To

TESTER, Dr Bill x

Referral Date

19/05/2020

Period

12

First Consult

☐ Site Referral (global)

ADD ANOTHER REFERRAL

Once you are done with the above segments, click on the green **Add Items** button in the bottom left corner of your screen.

Add Items

You will arrive at the **Clinic Billing** page. Here we can see a brief overview of previous information for the patient, and where we can bill an invoice.

It is as easy as typing in the item you need and selecting it. There are two different ways to search for the item as shown below:

- **Search for the item number itself.**
- **Search for a word in the description. This can either be at the start, or anywhere within the description!**

DOS	Item	Description
<input type="text" value="17/08/2020"/>	<input type="text" value="I"/>	

Notice that for **Patient Claims**, the **Date of Service (DOS)** can be changed in an invoice.

Applying Payment

Once you have added all your desired items, you can add payments captured from the patient onto the invoice using the **Add Payment** button.

Add Payment

This will present you with a pop-up to enter the payment information. The total invoice amount will be prefilled in the **Amount** field.

So, you may simply allocate the payment type and hit save as below:

Payment

Accounting Period

17/08/2020

Type

Amount

196.70

Apply Gap

Drawer

BAKERR, Maryrose

Reference

Bank

Branch

Save

Cancel

Once you have entered all your items and payments as desired, click on the **Review Charges** button to proceed to the final page of billing.

Review Charges

Clinic Review Charges

You may notice that this page looks nearly identical to the previous **Clinic Billing** page. The only real difference is that you can no longer add or change items, and there are additional buttons at the bottom.

You will also be able to see the **Total Charges** for the items you have billed like so:

Total Charges	\$196.70	Total GST	\$0.00
Total Rebate	\$173.05	Out of Pocket	\$23.65

Lets go over the options on this screen:

[Edit Item And Charges](#)

Cancel

Save

Save & Print

Edit Item And Charges: Realised you have made a mistake? click this button to go back to the previous page and fix it up!

Cancel: Cancel out of this billing. This will take you back to the **Patient Screen**.

Save: Save this invoice, send it to the **Claiming Medical** section, ready to send.

If **Save & Print** is selected, it will also be printed.

You're all done! You have successfully billed a Patient Claims invoice. Now, head over to '**Claiming Medical**' and send it off.

Not sure how to send off your claims? [Click here](#) for more on Claiming Medical.

What is Patient Claims (Clinic)

In a nutshell

Patient claims is where the practice sends off the patient's claim on their behalf so that they can **receive their medicare rebate** 1-2 business days later. The patient could pay in full, partially, or nothing at all.

You would use this claiming channel when the practitioner charges above the medicare schedule. You would not use this claiming channel if you are happy to receive the medicare/bulk bill amount.

This claiming channel is useful because whilst it would be easier to bulk bill the patient, and then charge a copayment, this is illegal.

Patient Claims is desirable for the practice because:

- The practice may be **paid in full, on the spot**
- The practice decides what they would like to charge
- Multiple dates of service **per invoice** supported
- May avoid the **90 day scheme**, more on this below

90 day scheme

When an unpaid or partially paid claim is sent to medicare, the patient receives a Pay Doctor Via

Claimant (PDVC) cheque and they are expected to forward this cheque to the practitioner.

- The cheque will be in the the doctor's name, so the patient cannot bank this money
- The 90 day scheme is a measure in place to redirect the funds directly into the doctor's bank account, in the event that the cheque is not banked by the doctor within 90 days
- However, this is only eligible for gps and specialists, and is not applicable to allied health practitioners

Eligible health professionals



Ineligible practitioners

Allied health professionals, optometrists and dentists aren't eligible to participate in the scheme.

Want to learn more about the 90 day scheme? [Click here](#) to read more.

Important note: for this billing channel, you will send claims, assuming they will get paid as no communications are sent back. This is owing to a Medicare limitation that only allows for one-way communication. That is, you can send claims but will not receive any:

- **Exception** statements, or
- **Payment** statements

Medicare Easyclaim

Easyclaim is another billing alternative for bulk billing and patient claims. It may be a stand-alone process via an EFTPOS machine or integrated into your billing software.

Note: FYDO does not currently support Easyclaim

Key features

- The patient receives their Medicare rebate almost immediately into their bank account
- No additional bank transaction fees. However, standard EFTPOS charges still apply
- May be used for bulk billing and patient claims
- Single payment made to practitioner's nominated bank account for bulk billed claims within 2-3 working days
- Concession verification - instant confirmation of patients' concessional status
- Available to all allied health professionals

Want to learn more about Medicare Easyclaim? [Click here](#) to learn more.

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