

Occupational Therapy Service and Payment Policy

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LSA's expectations for the delivery of services to workers

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Physiotherapy Service and Payment Policy

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Titled Rates

Titled Members of the Australian College of Physiotherapists may be eligible for Titled Rates. The APA Physiotherapist Title is a measure of career progress and represents a physiotherapist who is highly qualified in a particular area of practice.

Titled rate will be paid where the treating physiotherapist is Titled in a category that is relevant to the Participant's needs and requirements.

The following areas of practice have a titling pathway:

- APA Cancer Physiotherapist
- APA Cardiorespiratory Physiotherapist
- APA Continence and Women's Health Physiotherapist
- APA Gerontological Physiotherapist
- APA Lymphoedema Physiotherapist
- APA Musculoskeletal Physiotherapist
- APA Neurological Physiotherapist
- APA Occupational Health Physiotherapist
- APA Paediatric Physiotherapist
- APA Pain Physiotherapist
- APA Palliative Care Physiotherapist
- APA Research Physiotherapist
- APA Sports and Exercise Physiotherapist

Specialist Rates

Fellows of the Australian College of Physiotherapists, members who have been awarded specialisation may be eligible for Specialist Rates. Specialisation as awarded by the Australian College of Physiotherapists is conferred to physiotherapists who have attained the highest level of expertise in their particular field of physiotherapy. These physiotherapists have undergone a rigorous training and examination process.

Specialist rates will be paid where the treating physiotherapist is a Specialist in a category that is relevant to the Participant's needs and requirements.

The following areas of practice have a specialisation pathway:

- Cardiorespiratory
- Gerontology
- Musculoskeletal
- Neurology
- Occupational Health
- Paediatrics
- Pain
- Sports and Exercise
- Women's, Men's and Pelvic Health

Speech Pathology Service and Payment Policy

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- registered as a practising member of Speech Pathology Australia.

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Psychology Service and Payment Policy

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Consultations

Consultations include face to face sessions, sessions conducted over the telephone, emergency telephone contact and video calling.

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Exercise Physiology Service and Payment Policy

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- accredited with Exercise & Sports Science Australia as an exercise physiologist.

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Exercise sessions

Initial and individual sessions should:

- be billed in accordance with the time spent with the Participant during the session.

Exercise sessions should:

- be part of an overall strategy to assist the Participant to transition to independence and self-directed management
- provide the Participant with the necessary initial supervision and education to self-manage their compensable injury with a home-based exercise program

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