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# Private Provider Public Denture Scheme (PDS) - Items, Fees & Guidance

Metropolitan and Country  
dental prosthetists <sup>v1</sup>

Schedule of items and fees

From 1 April 2025

To be read in conjunction with the Private Provider Dental Schemes –

Information Handbook



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## **IMPORTANT NOTES**

### **NEW DENTURES**

The PDS fee is an all-inclusive fee, incorporating a consultation/examination, all stages involved in the construction of a denture, materials used in denture construction, laboratory fees, and post-insertion visits for 6 months (i.e. denture adjustments for a six (6) month period post-insertion are to be provided at no cost to client or SA Dental. The denture teeth on the new full denture are to be identified by their FDI number being circled on the PDS Claim form.

The PDS for new dentures does not include nor fund soft/resilient linings, mesh/metal strengthening, cast metal frames, lingual metal bars or patient-requested characterisations.

Partial dentures will be charged and claimed per item i.e. the base and the number of teeth and retainers as provided in the construction of the denture. The denture teeth on the new partial denture are to be identified by their FDI number being circled on the PDS Claim form and retainers must also be recorded on the Claim form. The maximum number of retainers allowed is four (4) per partial denture.

### **DENTURE REPAIRS**

A maximum of 2 (two) repair events per patient can be funded via the PDS in any one 6 (six) month period.

The following are NOT covered via the PDS:

- soft/resilient linings, mesh/metal strengthening and patient-requested characterisations
- repair services to secondary dentures (i.e. 'backup' dentures)
- repairs to chrome dentures  
exception: tooth addition/repair to acrylic component can be claimed

Post-repair adjustment visits are to be provided at no cost to client or SA Dental.

### **MULTIPLE REPAIR SERVICES ON SAME DENTURE ON SAME DAY**

The following interpretation will apply when considering itemisation of denture repair services:

**For multiple denture repair services (i.e. services described by items 761-768 inclusive) provided for the *same denture on the same day*, only the most expensive repair service provided will retain its item number, with all other repair services to be claimed as item 767 (and 488).**

- For example, for a partial denture requiring repair of a broken base, re-attachment of a tooth and addition of a clasp, correct itemisation would be 761+482 and 2 x 767+488. Itemisation using 761+482, 762 and 764+485 is not correct.

**If more than 3 teeth are to be added to a denture via PDS Denture Repair, the patient is to be directed to their local SA Dental clinic for a Pros Assessment.**

Where multiple breaks to a base of a denture occur only one repair is claimable.

Denture adjustments are not claimable.

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### **MAXIMUM 1 x 776 (i.e. IMPRESSION) PAYABLE PER ARCH PER REPAIR CLAIM**

Where more than one impression is taken per arch for a denture repair, SA Dental will pay for only the first impression per arch. For example where:

- 2 impressions are taken of the upper arch for a repair to an upper denture, SA Dental will pay 1 x 776.
- 1 impression is taken of the upper arch and 1 impression of the lower arch for a repair to an upper denture, SA Dental will pay 2 x 776.
- 2 impressions are taken of the upper arch and 1 impression of the lower arch for a repair to an upper denture, SA Dental will pay 2 x 776.

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New Dentures and Denture Relines - Metropolitan Prosthetists

Routine/ Priority Treatment

		Patient \$	SA Dental \$	Total \$
<b>Complete Dentures</b>				
711	FU denture	201.00	607.00	<b>808.00</b>
712	FL denture	201.00	607.00	<b>808.00</b>
719	FU/FL denture	356.00	1,077.00	<b>1,433.00</b>
<b>Denture Relines</b>				
743	Complete denture reline	70.00	212.00	<b>282.00</b>
744	Partial denture reline	59.50	181.00	<b>240.50</b>
<b>Partial Dentures</b>				
721	Partial upper	92.00	277.50	<b>369.50</b>
722	Partial lower	92.00	277.50	<b>369.50</b>
731	Retainer	9.50	28.00	<b>37.50</b>
733	Teeth	7.50	23.00	<b>30.50</b>

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**New Dentures and Denture Relines - Country Prosthetists**

**Routine/ Priority Treatment**

		<b>Patient \$</b>	<b>SA Dental \$</b>	<b>Total \$</b>
<b>Complete Dentures</b>				
711	FU denture	201.00	809.10	<b>1,010.10</b>
712	FL denture	201.00	809.10	<b>1,010.10</b>
719	FU/FL denture	356.00	1,435.00	<b>1,791.00</b>
<b>Denture Relines</b>				
743	Complete denture reline	70.00	282.45	<b>352.45</b>
744	Partial denture reline	59.50	240.95	<b>300.45</b>
<b>Partial Dentures</b>				
721	Partial upper	92.00	370.15	<b>462.15</b>
722	Partial lower	92.00	370.15	<b>462.15</b>
731	Retainer	9.50	37.10	<b>46.60</b>
733	Teeth	7.50	30.80	<b>38.30</b>

## Denture Repairs

### Metropolitan and Country Prosthetists

Item Number and Description (GST applies where indicated)	Patient Base \$	Patient GST \$	Patient Total \$	SA Dental Base \$	SA Dental GST \$	SA Dental Total \$	Total Base \$	Total GST \$	Total Fee \$
761* Reattaching pre-existing tooth or clasp to denture	20.13	0.00	20.13	20.17	0.00	20.17	40.30	0.00	40.30
482 Reattaching pre-existing tooth or clasp to denture (laboratory component subject to GST)	56.25	5.62	61.87	56.35	5.64	61.99	112.60	11.26	123.86
<b>(482 + 761*) Total Fee including GST</b>			<b>82.00</b>			<b>82.16</b>			<b>164.16</b>
762* Replacing or adding clasp on a denture	79.50	0.00	<b>79.50</b>	80.05	0.00	<b>80.05</b>	159.55	0.00	<b>159.55</b>
763* Repairing broken base of a complete denture	20.13	0.00	20.13	20.17	0.00	20.17	40.30	0.00	40.30
484 Repairing broken base of a complete denture (laboratory component subject to GST)	56.25	5.62	61.87	56.35	5.64	61.99	112.60	11.26	123.86
<b>(484 + 763*) Total Fee including GST</b>			<b>82.00</b>			<b>82.16</b>			<b>164.16</b>
764* Repairing broken base of a partial denture	20.13	0.00	20.13	20.17	0.00	20.17	40.30	0.00	40.30
485 Repairing broken base of a partial denture (laboratory component subject to GST)	56.25	5.62	61.87	56.35	5.64	61.99	112.60	11.26	123.86
<b>(485 + 764*) Total Fee including GST</b>			<b>82.00</b>			<b>82.16</b>			<b>164.16</b>
765* Replacing tooth on a denture	79.50	0.00	<b>79.50</b>	80.05	0.00	<b>80.05</b>	159.55	0.00	<b>159.55</b>
767* Any repair or tooth replacement in addition to other repairs, alterations or other modifications for same denture on same day	18.86	0.00	18.86	19.14	0.00	19.14	38.00	0.00	38.00
488 Any repair or tooth replacement in addition to other repairs, alterations or other modifications for same denture on same day (subject to GST)	12.40	1.24	13.64	12.55	1.26	13.81	24.95	2.50	27.45
<b>(488 + 767*) Total Fee including GST</b>			<b>32.50</b>			<b>32.95</b>			<b>65.45</b>
768* Adding tooth to partial denture to replace lost/extracted tooth or crown (once only, then claim 488+767 for second and subsequent teeth)	80.50	0.00	<b>80.50</b>	80.90	0.00	<b>80.90</b>	161.40	0.00	<b>161.40</b>
776* Impression where required for denture repair. Not for Relines	24.00	0.00	<b>24.00</b>	24.70	0.00	<b>24.70</b>	48.70	0.00	<b>48.70</b>

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