

APS National Schedule of Recommended Fees (not including GST) and item numbers* for psychological services

The Recommended Fee Schedule in place from 1 July 2023 until 30 June 2024

Service description		Service time (mins; non-billable work associated with service not included ¹)						
		1-15	16-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90	91-120 ²
Initial consultation	Item number*	IO1	IO2	IO3	IO4	IO5	IO6	IO7
	Recommended fee**	n/a	\$165	\$228	\$300	\$368	\$434	\$563
Subsequent consultation	Item number	SO1 ³	SO2	SO3	SO4	SO5	SO6	SO7
	Recommended fee	\$82	\$165	\$228	\$300	\$368	\$434	\$563
Psychological assessment ⁴	Item number	PA1	PA2	PA3	PA4	PA5	PA6	PA7
	Recommended fee	n/a	\$165	\$228	\$300	\$368	\$434	\$563
Clinical psychological assessment ⁵	Item number	CA1	CA2	CA3	CA4	CA5	CA6	CA7
	Recommended fee	n/a	\$165	\$228	\$300	\$368	\$434	\$563
Neuropsychological assessment ⁶	Item number	NA1	NA2	NA3	NA4	NA5	NA6	NA7
	Recommended fee	n/a	\$165	\$228	\$300	\$368	\$434	\$563
Report preparation ⁷	Item number	RO1	RO2	RO3	RO4	RO5	RO6	RO7
	Recommended fee	n/a	\$165	\$228	\$300	\$368	\$434	\$563
Case conference ⁸	Item number	CO1	CO2	CO3	CO4	CO5	CO6	CO7
	Recommended fee	\$82	\$165	\$228	\$300	\$368	\$434	\$563
Telephone consultation	Item number	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6	PO7
	Recommended fee	\$82	\$165	\$228	\$300	\$368	\$434	\$563
Travel time	Item number	TO1	TO2	TO3	TO4	TO5	TO6	TO7
	Recommended fee	\$60	\$101	\$151	\$201	\$251	\$301	\$351
Family or other group (of 2 clients)	Item number	F21	F22	F23	F24	F25	F26	F27
	Recommended fee (Per person)	n/a	\$82	\$113	\$150	\$184	\$217	\$281
Family or other group (of 3 to 4 clients)	Item number	F31	F32	F33	F34	F35	F36	F37
	Recommended fee (Per person)	n/a	\$55	\$76	\$100	\$123	\$144	\$187
Family or other group (of 5 or more clients)	Item number	F51	F52	F53	F54	F55	F56	F57
	Recommended fee (Per person)	n/a	\$33	\$46	\$60	\$74	\$87	\$112
Attendance ⁹ at court or legal briefings ¹³	Item number	LO1 ¹⁰	LO2	LO3 ¹¹	LO4	LO5	LO6	LO7 ¹²
	Recommended fee	n/a	\$300	\$341	\$449	\$553	\$652	\$845
Clinical file review and photocopying of file records for subpoena or other reasonable purposes ¹⁴	Item number	PC						
		The item provides for a standard fee of \$157 plus 30 cents per page for files over 50 pages in length						

For explanation of the notated numbers 1 to 13, please see footnotes on page 2. In general on this schedule, where no fee is listed (as with many '1' codes) it is assumed that the relevant '2' item number applies or a time-based proportion of the '2' recommended fee.

* These item numbers are not to be confused with the Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) item numbers

** Recommended fees do not include GST (where applicable)

Cost is not your most important consideration

While it is natural to consider the cost of treatment when you are selecting a psychologist, you should not select a psychologist based solely on their hourly rate.

The [best psychologist](#) will do considerable work before and after appointments. They will often spend time preparing for therapy sessions before you arrive, and reviewing and processing the events of your sessions after you have left. They may also spend time reviewing the latest relevant research and identify appropriate supports and other resources which may be beneficial.

In order to do everything required to provide the most effective therapy for you, the best psychologist will need to charge a price that is fair to both you and themselves.

The fees above are the Australian Psychological Society (APS) National Schedule of Recommended Fees and item numbers for psychological services. It is the rate of fees recommended only, and members are able to vary those fees at their discretion.

Some psychologists focus on specific [areas of treatment](#) or a type of therapy which is particularly complex and involves more time. These psychologists may set their hourly fees an appropriate amount higher than the recommended fees as a result.

However, many of the best psychologists will have fees close to the recommended amount. Fees that are significantly higher without reason may reflect poorly on that psychologist. Equally, fees that are significantly lower than the recommended amount may also reflect poorly on that psychologist's capacity to provide the individualised attention you may need.

“As a psychologist my goal is to enhance the quality of your life. Whether you are dealing with something specific or are seeking increased satisfaction and balance in life, I’m here to help.”

.. Kelvin Larfield, Larfield Psychology

Bev is Kelvin’s trusted personal assistant. Call Bev as many times as you want to, and she will help you feel comfortable and at ease, and will answer any questions you have about the clinic and [what to expect during your visits](#).