



X-RAY & IMAGING

BONE MINERAL DENSITOMETRY - (BMD)

Medicare Restrictions & Guidelines

To qualify for bulk billing from Medicare, one or more of the following prerequisites must appear on the referral:

Item 12306	One of more fractures occurring after minimal trauma Monitoring of Osteoporosis proven by Bone Densitometry <i>* One service every 12 months</i>
Item 12312	Fractures after minimal trauma Monitoring of osteoporosis proven by bone density <i>* One service every 12 months</i>
Item 12315	Prolonged glucocorticoid therapy Excess glucocorticoid secretion Ovarian hypofunction (<i>amenorrhoea >6 months before 45 yrs</i>) Male hypogonadism <i>* One service every 24 months</i>
Item 12321	Primary hyperparathyroidism Proven malabsorption Excess thyroxine Chronic liver disease Chronic renal disease Rheumatoid arthritis <i>* One service every 12 months</i>
Item 12323	Significant change in therapy for osteoporosis <i>* One service every 12 months</i>