#### 1 July 2021 changes to General Surgery items – Item Map

- 6 July 2021 update: the item map now includes the final item descriptors and fees (inclusive of 1 July 2021 indexation) for the 1 July 2021 changes to general surgery items. Only minor wording changes were made to the item descriptors during the drafting of the legislation, there have been no changes to the clinical intent of the new and amended items.
- From 1 July 2021, Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) items for general surgery services are changing to reflect contemporary practice. These changes are a result of MBS Review Taskforce (Taskforce) recommendations and consultation with stakeholders.
- There will be changes to MBS services pertaining to general surgery categories: Laparoscopy and Laparotomy; Small Bowel Resection; Abdominal Wall Hernias; Oesophageal; Stomach; Liver; Biliary; Pancreas; Spleen; Oncology; Lymph Nodes; Excisions; and Bariatric.
- These changes are relevant for surgeons involved in the performance and claiming of eligible general surgery services; consumers claiming these services; private health insurers; and private hospitals.
- From 1 July 2021, billing practices will need to be adjusted to reflect these changes.
- If you have questions regarding the changes to the item descriptors for the general surgery items please email: <a href="mailto:1july2021MBSchanges.generalsurgery@health.gov.au">1july2021MBSchanges.generalsurgery@health.gov.au</a>, questions regarding the PHI Classifications should be directed to <a href="mailto:PHI@health.gov.au">PHI@health.gov.au</a>

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## Changes to laparoscopy and laparotomy procedure MBS services

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	Item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
3	new item	30720 (combines services in items 30571, and 30572)	n/a	Appendicectomy, on a patient 10 years of age or over, whether performed by:  (a) laparoscopy or right iliac fossa open incision; or  (b) conversion of a laparoscopy to an open right iliac fossa incision; other than a service to which item 30574 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$463.50  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Hernia and appendix
	delete	30571 (item has been combined into new item 30720)	Appendicectomy, on a person 10 years of age or over, other than a service to which item 30574 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$459.35  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Hernia and appendix	n/a
	Delete	30572 (item has been combined into new item 30720)	Laparoscopic appendicectomy, on a person 10 years of age or over (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$459.35  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Hernia and appendix	n/a

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	Item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
4	new item	30721(combines services in items 30373, 30391 and 31450)	n/a	Laparotomy or laparoscopy, or laparoscopy converted to laparotomy, with or without associated biopsies, including the division of adhesions (if performed, but only if the time taken to divide adhesions is 45 minutes or less), if no other intra-abdominal procedure is performed (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$502.85  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30373 (item has been combined into new item 30721)	Laparotomy (exploratory), including associated biopsies, if no other intra-abdominal procedure is performed (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$498.35  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
	delete	30391 (item has been combined into new item 30721)	Laparoscopy, with biopsy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$293.25  PHI Classification: Type B - Para 5, Non-band specific Type B day procedures Clinical Category: Common list	n/a
	delete	31450 (item has been combined into new item 30721)	Laparoscopic division of adhesions, as an independent procedure, if the time taken is 1 hour or less (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$419.35  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a

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Taskforce Rec #	change	Item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
5 S	new item	30722(combines services in items 30375, 30376)	n/a	Laparotomy or laparoscopy, on a patient 10 years of age or over, including any of the following procedures (if performed, and including division of one or more adhesions, but only if the time taken to divide the adhesions is 45 minutes or less):  (a) colostomy; (b) colotomy; (c) cholecystostomy; (d) enterostomy; (e) enterotomy; (f) gastrostomy; (g) gastrotomy; (i) gastric fixation by cardiopexy; (j) reduction of intussusception; (k) simple repair of ruptured viscus (including perforated peptic ulcer); (l) reduction of volvulus; (m) drainage of pancreas (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$542.40  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30375 (item has been combined into new item 30722)	Caecostomy, enterostomy, colostomy, enterotomy, colotomy, cholecystostomy, gastrostomy, gastrotomy, reduction of intussusception, removal of Meckel's diverticulum, suture of perforated peptic ulcer, simple repair of ruptured viscus, reduction of volvulus, pyloroplasty or drainage of pancreas, on a person 10 years of age or over (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$537.55  TN.8.14 - Laparotomy and Other Procedures on the Abdominal Viscera - (Items 30375 and 30622)  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a

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	delete	been combined	adhesions (if no other intra-abdominal procedure is	1,70
		into new item	performed), on a person 10 years of age or over (H)	
		30722)	(Anaes.) (Assist.)	
			Fee: \$537.55	
			PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	
6	new item	30723	n/a	Laparotomy, laparoscopy or extra-peritoneal
		(combines		approach, for drainage of an intra-abdominal,
		services in items 30394, 30402,		pancreatic or retroperitoneal collection or abscess (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)
		30575)		(11) (Allacs.) (Assist.)
				Fee: \$542.40
				PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient
				Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30394 (item has	Laparotomy for drainage of subphrenic abscess,	n/a
		been combined	pelvic abscess, appendiceal abscess, ruptured	
		into new item 30723)	appendix or for peritonitis from any cause, with or without appendicectomy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)	
			Fee: \$508.25	
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			PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Common list	
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	delete	30402 (item has been combined	Retroperitoneal abscess, drainage of, not involving laparotomy (H)	n/a
		into new item		
		30723)	Fee: \$479.15	
			PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient	
			Clinical Category: Digestive system	
	delete	30575 (item has	Pancreatic abscess, laparotomy and external	n/a
	30.000	been combined into new item	drainage of, not requiring retro-pancreatic dissection (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)	,
		30723)	(11) (111003.) (113130.)	
			Fee: \$528.70	
			PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	

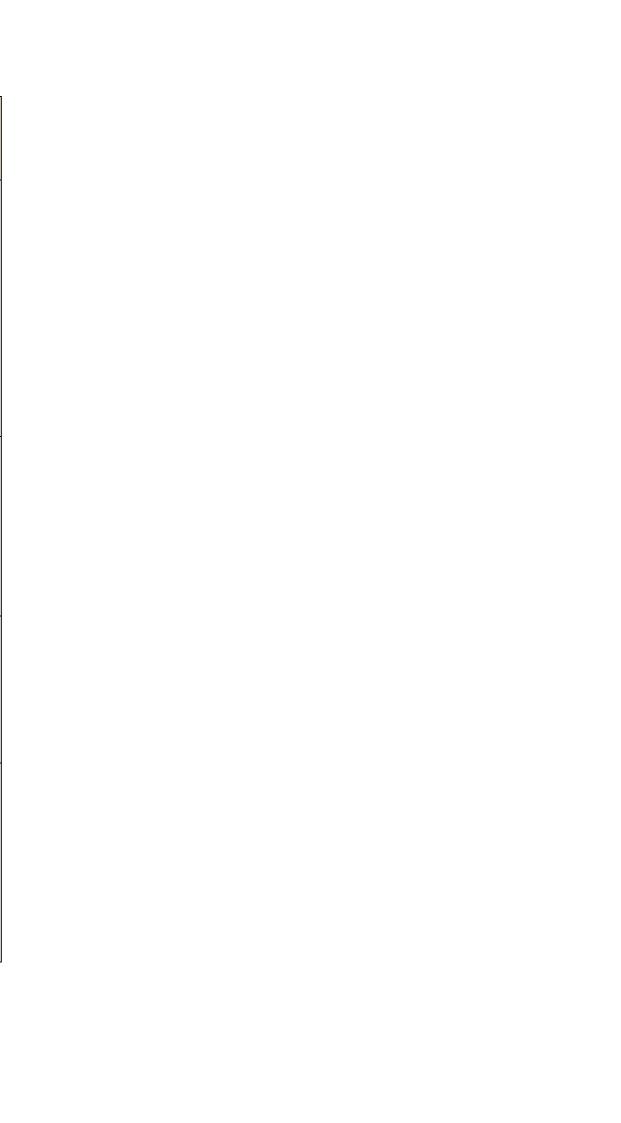
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Rec#	change	Item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
7	new item	30724(combines services in items 30378, 30393, and 31452)	n/a	Laparotomy or laparoscopy with division of adhesions, lasting more than 45 minutes but less than 2 hours, performed either:  (a) as a primary procedure; or  (b) when the division of adhesions is performed in conjunction with another primary procedure—to provide access to a surgical field (but excluding mobilisation or normal anatomical dissection of the organ or structure for which the primary procedure is being carried out)
				(H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)
				Fee: \$544.95
				PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30378 (item has been combined into new item 30724)	Laparotomy involving division of adhesions in association with another intra-abdominal procedure if the time taken to divide the adhesions is between 45 minutes and 2 hours, on a person 10 years of age or over (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$540.10	n/a
			PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	
	delete	30393 (item has been combined into new item 30724)	Laparoscopic division of adhesions in association with another intra-abdominal procedure if the time taken to divide the adhesions exceeds 45 minutes (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$540.10	n/a
			PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	
	delete	31452 (item has been combined into new item 30724)	Laparoscopic division of adhesions, as an independent procedure, if the time taken is more than 1 hour (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$733.75	n/a
			PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	

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Rec#	change	Item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
8	New item	30725 (will replace item 30379)		Laparotomy or laparoscopy for intestinal obstruction or division of extensive, complex adhesions, lasting 2 hours or more, performed either:  (a) as a primary procedure; or  (b) when the division of adhesions is performed in conjunction with another procedure—to provide access to a surgical field, but excluding mobilisation or normal anatomical dissection of the organ or structure for which the other procedure is being carried out  (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$965.75  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system
	Delete item	30379	Laparotomy with division of extensive adhesions (lasting more than 2 hours) with or without insertion of long intestinal tube (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$957.15  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
9	amend	30390	Laparoscopy, diagnostic, on a person 10 years of age or over, other than a service associated with another laparoscopic procedure (H) (Anaes.)  Fee: \$226.80  TN.8.15 - Diagnostic Laparoscopy - (Items 30390 and 30627)  PHI Classification: Type B - Para 5, Non-band specific Type B procedures Clinical Category: Common list	Laparoscopy, diagnostic, with or without aspiration of fluid, on a patient 10 years of age or over, if no other intra-abdominal procedure is performed (H) (Anaes.) (Assist)  Fee: \$228.85  PHI Classification: Type B - Para 5, Non-band specific Type B procedures  Clinical Category: Common list

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	Item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
	amend	30627 (amended for consistency with change to item 30390)	Laparoscopy, diagnostic, other than a service associated with another laparoscopic procedure, on a person under 10 years of age (H) (Anaes.)  Fee: \$294.90  PHI Classification: Non-band specific Type B day procedures Clinical Category: Digestive System	Laparoscopy, diagnostic, if no other intra-abdominal procedure is performed, on a patient under 10 years of age (H) (Anaes.)  Fee: \$297.55  PHI Classification: Non-band specific Type B day procedures Clinical Category: Digestive System
10	amend	30388	Laparotomy for trauma involving 3 or more organs (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,647.45  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Common list	Laparotomy for abdominal trauma, including control of haemorrhage (with or without packing) and containment of contamination (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,108.20  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Common list
11	amend	30385	Laparotomy for control of post-operative haemorrhage, if no other procedure is performed (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$580.90  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Unplanned return to theatre for laparotomy or laparoscopy for control or drainage of intra-abdominal haemorrhage following abdominal surgery (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$586.15  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system

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12	amend	30384	Laparotomy for grading of lymphoma, including splenectomy, liver biopsies, lymph node biopsies and oophoropexy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,133.75  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	new item descriptor  Open or minimally invasive excision of a retroperitoneal mass, 4 cm or greater in largest dimension, lasting more than 3 hours, other than a service to which another item in this Group applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,420.20  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
13	amend	30382	Enterocutaneous fistula, radical repair of, involving extensive dissection and resection of bowel (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,347.70  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system	Enterocutaneous fistula, repair of, if dissection and resection of bowel is performed, with or without anastomosis or formation of a stoma (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,359.85  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
14	amend	31454	Laparoscopy with drainage of pus, bile or blood, as an independent procedure (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$580.90  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Laparoscopy or laparotomy with drainage of bile, as an independent procedure (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$586.15  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
15	amend	30387	Laparotomy involving operation on abdominal viscera (including pelvic viscera), other than a service to which another item in this Group applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$654.85  TN.8.1 Surgical Operations TN.8.19 Antireflux Operations  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Laparoscopy or laparotomy when an operation is performed on abdominal, retroperitoneal or pelvic viscera, excluding lymph node biopsy, other than a service to which another item in this Group applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$660.75  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system



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Rec #	change	Item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
16	amend	30396	Laparotomy for gross intra peritoneal sepsis requiring debridement of fibrin, with or without removal of foreign material or enteric contents, with lavage of the entire peritoneal cavity via a major abdominal incision with or without closure of abdomen and with or without mesh or zipper insertion (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,048.30  TN.8.16 - Major Abdominal Incision - (Item 30396)  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Laparotomy or laparoscopy for generalised intra-peritoneal sepsis (also known as peritonitis), with or without removal of foreign material or enteric contents, with lavage of the entire peritoneal cavity, with or without closure of the abdomen when performed by laparotomy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,057.75  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
17	amend	30397	Laparostomy, via wound previously made and left open or closed with zipper, involving change of dressings or packs, and with or without drainage of loculated collections (H) (Anaes.)  Fee: \$239.60  PHI Classification: Clinical Category: Digestive system	Laparostomy, via wound previously made and left open or closed, including change of dressings or packs, with or without drainage of loculated collections (H) (Anaes.)  Fee: \$241.75  PHI Classification: Clinical Category: Digestive system
18	amend	30399	Laparostomy, final closure of wound made at previous operation, after removal of dressings or packs and removal of mesh or zipper if previously inserted (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$329.55  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Laparostomy, final closure of wound made at previous operation, after removal of dressings or packs (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$332.50  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
19	amend	30574	Appendicectomy, when performed in conjunction with another intra-abdominal procedure through the same incision (H) (Anaes.)  Fee: \$127.10  PHI Classification: Clinical Category: Hernia and appendix	Appendicectomy, when performed in conjunction with another intra-abdominal procedure and during which a specimen is collected and sent for pathological testing (H) (Anaes.)  Fee: \$64.10  PHI Classification: Clinical Category: Hernia and appendix

## Changes to small bowel resection procedure MBS services

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Rec # 21	change	item 30730	current item descriptor	New item descriptor
21	new item	(combines services in items 30564 and 30566)	n/a	Small intestine, resection of, including either of the following:  (a) a small bowel diverticulum (such as Meckel's procedure) with anastomosis;
				(b) stricturoplasty
				(H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)
				Fee: \$1,007.10
				PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient
				Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30564 (item has been combined into new item 30730)	Small bowel strictureplasty for chronic inflammatory bowel disease (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)	n/a
			Fee: \$796.40	
			PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	
	delete	30566 (item has been combined into new item 30730)	Small intestine, resection of, with anastomosis, on a person 10 years of age or over (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)	n/a
			Fee: \$998.10	
			PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	
22	new item	30731(combines services in items 30568 and 30569)	n/a	Intraoperative enterotomy for visualisation of the small intestine by endoscopy, including endoscopic examination using a flexible endoscope, with or without biopsies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)
				Fee: \$755.45
				PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Gastrointestinal endoscopy
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	delete	30568 (item has been combined into new item 30731)	Intraoperative enterotomy for visualisation of the small intestine by endoscopy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$748.70  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Gastrointestinal endoscopy	n/a
	delete	30569 (item has been combined into new item 30731)	Endoscopic examination of small bowel with flexible endoscope passed at laparotomy, with or without biopsies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$381.75  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Gastrointestinal endoscopy	n/a
23	new item	30732 (new item for peritonectomy surgery that provides a single benefit for the procedures performed for the surgery and hyperthermic intraperitoneal chemotherapy)	n/a	Peritonectomy, lasting more than 5 hours, including hyperthermic intra-peritoneal chemotherapy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$4,136.10  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Common Treatment

## Changes to abdominal wall hernia procedure MBS services

MBS Taskforce Rec # 26	change amend	item 30621	current item descriptor  Repair of symptomatic umbilical, epigastric or linea alba hernia requiring mesh or other formal repair of, in a person 10 years of age or over, other than a service to which item 30403 or 30405 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)	new item descriptor  Repair of symptomatic umbilical, epigastric or linea alba hernia requiring mesh or other repair, by open or minimally invasive approach, in a patient 10 years of age or over, other than a service to which item 30651 or 30655 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$424.00  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
25	new item	30648 (This item combines items 30609 and 30614)	n/a	Femoral or inguinal hernia or infantile hydrocele, repair of, by open or minimally invasive approach, on a patient 10 years of age or over, other than a service to which item 30615 or 30651 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$483.35  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Hernia and appendix
	delete	30609 (item has been combined into new item 30648)	Femoral or inguinal hernia, laparoscopic repair of, other than a service associated with a service to which item 30614 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$479.05  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Hernia and appendix	n/a

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		into new item 30648)	years of age or over, other than a service to which item 30403 or 30615 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$479.05  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Hernia and appendix	
26	new item	30651 (this item will provide for the service currently provided by item 30403, item 30403 will be deleted)		Ventral hernia repair involving primary fascial closure by suture, with or without onlay mesh or insertion of intraperitoneal onlay mesh repair, without closure of the defect or advancement of the rectus muscle toward the midline, by open or minimally invasive approach, in a patient 10 years of age or over, other than a service to which item 30621, 30655 or 30657 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$542.40  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Common list
	delete item	30403	Ventral, incisional, or recurrent hernia or burst abdomen, repair of, with or without mesh (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$537.55  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Common list	n/a

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Rec #	new item	30652	current item descriptor	new item descriptor  Recurrent groin hernia regardless of size of defect, repair of, with or without mesh, by open or minimally invasive approach, in a patient 10 years of age or over (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$542.40  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Common list
	new item	30655 (this item will provide for the service currently provided by item 30405, item 30405 will be deleted)		Ventral hernia, repair of, with advancement of the rectus muscles to the midline using a retro-rectus, pre-peritoneal or sublay technique, by open or minimally invasive approach, in a patient 10 years of age or over, other than a service to which item 30621 or 30651 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$952.05  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Common list
	delete item	30405	Ventral or incisional hernia (other than recurrent inguinal or femoral hernia), repair of, requiring muscle transposition, mesh hernioplasty or resection of strangulated bowel (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$943.55  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Common list	n/a

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
	new item	30657	n/a	Unilateral abdominal wall reconstruction with component separation, including transversus abdominus release and external oblique release for abdominal wall closure by mobilising the rectus abdominis muscles to the midline, by open or minimally invasive approach (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,355.65  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical
				patient Clinical Category: Digestive system

# Changes to oesophageal procedure MBS services

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
29	new item	30750 (combines services in items 30545, 30550 and 30554)	n/a	Oesophagectomy with colon or jejunal interposition graft, by any approach, including:  (a) any gastrointestinal anastomoses (except vascular anastomoses); and  (b) anastomoses in the chest or neck (if appropriate) One surgeon (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$2,145.80  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30545 (item has been combined into new item 30750)	Oesophagectomy with colon or jejunal anastomosis, (abdominal and thoracic mobilisation with thoracic anastomosis)—one surgeon (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,894.50  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a

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Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
	delete	30550	Oesophagectomy with colon or jejunal	n/a
		(item has been combined	replacement (abdominal and thoracic	
		into new item 30750)	mobilisation with anastomosis of pedicle	
			in the neck)—one surgeon (H) (Anaes.)	
			(Assist.)	
			Fee: \$2,126.65	
			PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced	
			surgical patient	
			Clinical Category: Digestive system	
	delete	30554 (item has been	Oesophagectomy with reconstruction by	n/a
		combined into new item	free jejunal graft—one surgeon (H)	
		30750)	(Anaes.) (Assist.)	
			Fee: \$2,366.10	
			PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced	
			surgical patient	
			Surgical patient	
			Clinical Category: Digestive system	
	new item	30751	n/a	Oesophagectomy with colon or jejunal
	new item	(combines services in	i i / a	interposition graft, by any approach, including:
		items 30547, 30551 and		(a) any gastrointestinal anastomoses (except
		30556)		vascular anastomoses); and
				(b) anastomoses in the chest or neck (if
				appropriate)
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				Conjoint surgery, principal surgeon (H) (Anaes.)
				(Assist.)
				Fee: \$2,145.80
				PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical
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	delete	30547 (item has been combined into new item 30751)	Oesophagectomy with colon or jejunal anastomosis, (abdominal and thoracic mobilisation with thoracic anastomosis)—conjoint surgery, principal surgeon (including after-care) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,302.80	n/a
			PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	
	delete	30551(item has been combined into new item 30751)	Oesophagectomy with colon or jejunal replacement (abdominal and thoracic mobilisation with anastomosis of pedicle in the neck)—conjoint surgery, principal surgeon (including after-care) (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,467.60  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
	delete	30556 (item has been combined into new item 30751)	Oesophagectomy with reconstruction by free jejunal graft—conjoint surgery, principal surgeon (including after-care) (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,632.20  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a

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Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
	new item	30752 (combines services in items 30548, 30553 and	n/a	Oesophagectomy with colon or jejunal interposition graft, by any approach, including:
		30557)		(a) any gastrointestinal anastomoses (except vascular anastomoses); and
				(b) anastomoses in the chest or neck (if appropriate)
				Conjoint surgery, co-surgeon (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,609.35
				PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical
				patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30548 (item has been combined into new item 30752)	Oesophagectomy with colon or jejunal anastomosis, (abdominal and thoracic mobilisation with thoracic anastomosis)—conjoint surgery, co-surgeon (Assist.)	n/a
			Fee: \$973.30	
			PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	
	delete	30553 (item has been combined into new item 30752)	Oesophagectomy with colon or jejunal replacement (abdominal and thoracic mobilisation with anastomosis of pedicle in the neck)—conjoint surgery, co-surgeon (Assist.)	n/a
			Fee: \$1,085.55	
			PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	
	delete	30557 (item has been combined into new item 30752)	Oesophagectomy with reconstruction by free jejunal graft—conjoint surgery, co-surgeon (H) (Assist.)	n/a
			Fee: \$1,205.50	
			PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	

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Rec#	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
30	new item	30753(combines services in items 30536 and 30535)	n/a	Oesophagectomy, by any approach, including:  (a) gastric reconstruction by abdominal mobilisation, thoracotomy or thoracoscopy; and  (b) anastomosis in the neck or chest One surgeon (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,790.65  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical
				patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30536 (item has been combined into new item 30753)	Oesophagectomy involving gastric reconstruction by abdominal mobilisation, thoracotomy and anastomosis in the neck or chest—one surgeon (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,774.70  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
	delete	30535 (item has been combined into new item 30753)	Oesophagectomy with gastric reconstruction by abdominal mobilisation and thoracotomy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,749.65  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a

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Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
30	new item	30754 (Item 30538 will be replaced by new item 30754 to provide consecutive listing of the oesophagectomy items. Item 30538 will be deleted)		Oesophagectomy, by any approach, including:  (a) gastric reconstruction by abdominal mobilisation, thoracotomy or thoracoscopy; and  (b) anastomosis in the neck or chest Conjoint surgery, principal surgeon (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,790.65  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30538	Oesophagectomy involving gastric reconstruction by abdominal mobilisation, thoracotomy and anastomosis in the neck or chest—conjoint surgery, principal surgeon (including after-care) (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,228.00  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
	New item	30755 (Item 30539 will be replaced by new item 30755 to provide consecutive listing of the oesophagectomy items. Item 30539 will be deleted)		Oesophagectomy by any approach, including:  (a) gastric reconstruction by abdominal mobilisation, thoracotomy or thoracoscopy; and  (b) anastomosis in the neck or chest Conjoint surgery, co-surgeon (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,343.00  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system

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Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
Nec #	delete	30539	Oesophagectomy involving gastric reconstruction by abdominal mobilisation, thoracotomy and anastomosis in the neck or chest—conjoint surgery, co-surgeon (H) (Assist.)  Fee: \$898.55  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
31	new item	30756 (combines services in items 30527, and 31464)	n/a	Antireflux operation by fundoplasty, with or without cardiopexy, by any approach, with or without closure of the diaphragmatic hiatus, other than a service to which item 30601 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$906.65  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30527 (item has been combined into new item 30756)	Antireflux operation by fundoplasty, via abdominal or thoracic approach, with or without closure of the diaphragmatic hiatus—other than a service to which item 30601 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$898.55  TN.8.19 Anti reflux Operations - (Items 30527 to 30533, 31464 and 31466)  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a

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Rec #	change delete	31464 (item has been combined into new item 30756)	current item descriptor  Antireflux operation by fundoplasty, via abdominal or thoracic approach, with or without closure of the diaphragmatic hiatus, by laparoscopic technique—other than a service to which item 30601 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)	new item descriptor  n/a
			Fee: \$898.55  TN.8.19 Anti reflux Operations - (Items 30527 to 30533, 31464 and 31466)  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	
32	amend	31468	Para-oesophageal hiatus hernia, repair of, with complete reduction of hernia, resection of sac and repair of hiatus, with or without fundoplication (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,480.70  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system	Para-oesophageal hiatus hernia, repair of, with complete reduction of hernia, resection of sac and repair of hiatus, with or without fundoplication, other than a service associated with a service to which item 30756 or 31466 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,494.05  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system
33	amend	30532	Oesophagogastric myotomy (Heller's operation) via abdominal or thoracic approach, with or without closure of the diaphragmatic hiatus, by laparoscopy or open operation (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$928.55  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Oesophagogastric myotomy (Heller's operation) by endoscopic, abdominal or thoracic approach, whether performed by open or minimally invasive approach, including fundoplication when performed laparoscopically (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$936.90  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system

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Rec # 34	change	item	Corrent item descriptor	new item descriptor
34	amend	30560	Oesophageal perforation, repair of, by thoracotomy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$973.30  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Oesophageal perforation, repair of, by abdominal or thoracic approach, including thoracic drainage (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$982.05  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
35	amend	30600	Diaphragmatic hernia, traumatic, repair of (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$801.40  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system	Emergency repair of diaphragmatic laceration or hernia, following recent trauma, by any approach, including when performed in conjunction with another procedure indicated as a result of abdominal or chest trauma (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$808.60  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
36	amend	30601	Diaphragmatic hernia, congenital, repair of, by thoracic or abdominal approach, on a person 10 years of age or over, not being a service to which any of items 31569 to 31581 apply (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$987.20  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Diaphragmatic hernia, congenital, or delayed presentation of traumatic rupture, repair of, by thoracic or abdominal approach, on a patient 10 years of age or over, other than a service to which any of items 31569 to 31581 apply (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$996.10  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
28	delete	30542 (this item has been deleted as other oesophagectomy item numbers provide appropriate, best practice treatment options)	Oesophagectomy, by trans-hiatal oesophagectomy (cervical and abdominal mobilisation, anastomosis) with posterior or anterior mediastinal placement—conjoint surgery, principal surgeon (including after-care) (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,063.30  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
	delete	30544 (this item has been deleted as other oesophagectomy item numbers provide appropriate, best practice treatment options)	Oesophagectomy, by trans-hiatal oesophagectomy (cervical and abdominal mobilisation, anastomosis) with posterior or anterior mediastinal placement—conjoint surgery, co-surgeon (H) (Assist.)  Fee: \$778.80  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
	delete	30541 (this item has been deleted as other oesophagectomy item numbers provide appropriate, best practice treatment options)	Oesophagectomy, by trans-hiatal oesophagectomy (cervical and abdominal mobilisation, anastomosis) with posterior or anterior mediastinal placement—one surgeon (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,564.95  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a

# Changes to stomach procedure MBS services

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	Current item descriptor	new item descriptor
38	new item	30760 (combines services in	n/a	Vagotomy, with or without gastroenterostomy, pyloroplasty or other drainage procedure (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)
		items 30496, 30499, 30500,		Fee: \$611.95
		30502, 30503 and 30497)		PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system

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Rec #	change delete	item 30496 (item	Current item descriptor  Vagotomy, truncal or selective, with or without	new item descriptor n/a
		has been combined	pyloroplasty or gastroenterostomy (Anaes.)	
		into new item	(Assist.)	
		30760)	Fee: \$606.50	
			PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient	
			Clinical Category: Digestive system	
	delete	30499 (item has been	Vagotomy, highly selective (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)	n/a
		combined	Fee: \$860.10	
		into new item 30760)	PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient	
		,	Clinical Category: Digestive system	
	delete	30500 (item has been	Vagotomy, highly selective with duodenoplasty for peptic stricture (Anaes.) (Assist.)	n/a
		combined into new item	Fee: \$921.00	
		30760)	Fee. \$921.00	
			PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient	
			Clinical Category: Digestive system	
	delete	30502 (item	Vagotomy, highly selective, with dilatation of	n/a
		has been	pylorus (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)	
		combined into new item	Fee: \$1,001.45	
		30760)	PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical	
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	delete	30503 (item has been	Vagotomy or antrectomy, or both, for peptic ulcer following previous operation for peptic	n/a
		combined into new item	ulcer (Anaes.) (Assist.)	
		30760)	Fee: \$1,138.25	
			PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical	
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MBS Taskforce Rec #	change delete	item 30497 (item has been combined into new item 30760)	Current item descriptor  Vagotomy and antrectomy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$723.20  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	new item descriptor n/a
39	new item	30761 (combines services in items 30505, 30506, 30508 30509)	n/a	Bleeding peptic ulcer, control of, by laparoscopy or laparotomy, involving suture of bleeding point or wedge excision (with or without gastric resection), including either of the following (if performed):  (a) vagotomy and pyloroplasty; (b) gastroenterostomy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$789.45  PHI Classification: Type A - surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30505 (item has been combined into new item 30761)	Bleeding peptic ulcer, control of, involving suture of bleeding point or wedge excision (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$569.10  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
	delete	30506 (item has been combined into new item 30761)	Bleeding peptic ulcer, control of, involving suture of bleeding point or wedge excision, and vagotomy and pyloroplasty or gastroenterostomy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$995.90  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a

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Rec#	change	item	Current item descriptor	new item descriptor
	delete	30508 (item has been combined into new item 30761)	Bleeding peptic ulcer, control of, involving suture of bleeding point or wedge excision, and highly selective vagotomy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,048.30  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
	delete	30509 (item has been combined into new item 30761)	Bleeding peptic ulcer, control of, involving gastric resection (other than wedge resection) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,048.30  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
40	new item	30762 (combines services in items 30523, 30524)	n/a	Gastrectomy, subtotal or total radical, for carcinoma, by open or minimally invasive approach, including all necessary anastomoses, including either or both of the following (if performed):  (a) extended lymph node dissection;  (b) splenectomy  (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,730.05  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient

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Rec #	change	item	Current item descriptor	new item descriptor
	delete	30523 (item has been combined into new item 30762)	Gastrectomy, sub-total radical, for carcinoma (including splenectomy when performed) (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,557.25	n/a
			TN.8.18 - Gastrectomy, Sub-total Radical - (Item 30523)	
			PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	
	delete	30524 (item has been combined into new item 30762)	Gastrectomy, total radical, for carcinoma (including extended node dissection and distal pancreatectomy and splenectomy when performed) (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,714.60	n/a
			PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	
41	amend item	30526	Gastrectomy, total, and including lower oesophagus, performed by left thoraco-abdominal incision or opening of diaphragmatic hiatus (including splenectomy when performed) (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)	Gastrectomy, total, and removal of lower oesophagus, performed by open or minimally invasive approach, with anastomosis in the mediastinum, including any of the following (if performed):
			, , , , ,	(a) distal pancreatectomy;
			Fee: \$2,223.70	(b) nodal dissection;
			PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient	(c) splenectomy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)
			Clinical Category: Digestive system	Fee: \$2,243.70
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MBS Taskforce Rec # 42	change amend item	item 30520	Current item descriptor  Gastric tumour, removal of, by local excision, other than a service to which item 30518 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$696.45  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	new item descriptor  Gastric tumour, 2 cm or greater in diameter, removal of, by local excision, by laparoscopic or open approach, including any associated anastomosis, excluding polypectomy, other than a service to which item 30518 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$884.00  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	new item	30763		Gastric tumour, 2cm or greater in diameter, removal of, by local excision, by endoscopic approach, including any required anastomosis, excluding polypectomy, other than a service to which item 30518 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$702.70  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
43	amend item	30515	Gastroenterostomy (including gastroduodenostomy) or enterocolostomy or enteroenterostomy, not being a service to which any of items 31569 to 31581 apply (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$726.35  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Gastroenterostomy (including gastroduodenostomy), enterocolostomy or enteroenterostomy, as an independent procedure or in combination with another procedure, only if required for irresectable obstruction, other than a service to which any of items 31569 to 31581 apply (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$732.90  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
44	amend item	30517	Gastroenterostomy, pyloroplasty or gastroduodenostomy, reconstruction of (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$951.00  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Revision of gastroenterostomy, pyloroplasty or gastroduodenostomy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$959.55  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system

## Changes to liver procedure MBS services

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Rec	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
46	new item	30770 (combines services in items 30434, 30436, 30437 and 30438)	n/a	Hydatid cyst of liver, peritoneum or viscus, complete removal of contents of, with or without suture of biliary radicles, with omentoplasty or myeloplasty (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$870.25  PHI Classification: Type A - surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30434 (item has been combined into new item 30770)	Hydatid cyst of liver, peritoneum or viscus, complete removal of contents of, with or without suture of biliary radicles (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$606.50  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
	delete	30436 (item has been combined into new item 30770)	Hydatid cyst of liver, peritoneum or viscus, complete removal of contents of, with or without suture of biliary radicles, with omentoplasty or myeloplasty (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$673.85  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
	delete	30437 (item has been combined into new item 30770)	Hydatid cyst of liver, total excision of, by cysto-pericystectomy (membrane plus fibrous wall) (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$838.70  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a

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Rec	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
	delete	30438 (item has been combined into new item 30770)	Hydatid cyst of liver, excision of, with drainage and excision of liver tissue (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,186.80  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
47	new item	30771 (combines services in items 30602, 30603, and 30605)	n/a	Portal hypertension, porto-caval, meso-caval or selective spleno-renal shunt for (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,755.20  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30602 (item has been combined into new item 30771)	Portal hypertension, porto-caval shunt for (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,602.25  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
	delete	30603 (item has been combined into new item 30771)	Portal hypertension, meso-caval shunt for (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,692.15  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
	delete	30605 (item has been combined into new item 30771)	Portal hypertension, selective spleno-renal shunt for (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,924.25  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a

MBS Taskforce Rec 48	change amended item	item 30421	current item descriptor  Liver, tri-segmental resection (extended lobectomy) of, other than for trauma (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$2,058.95  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	new item descriptor  Liver, extended lobectomy of, or central resections of segments 4, 5 and 8, other than for trauma (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$2,077.50  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
49	amended item	30430	Liver, extended lobectomy (tri-segmental resection) of, for trauma (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$2,395.85  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Liver, extended lobectomy of, or central resections of segments 4, 5 and 8, for trauma (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$2,417.40  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
50	amended item	30431	Liver abscess, open abdominal drainage of (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$537.55  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Liver abscess, single, open or minimally invasive abdominal drainage of, excluding aftercare (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$542.40  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
51	amended item	30433	Liver abscess (multiple), open abdominal drainage of (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$748.70  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Liver abscess, multiple, open or minimally invasive abdominal drainage of, excluding aftercare (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$755.45  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system

MBS Taskforce Rec	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
52	amended item	50950	Unresectable primary malignant tumour of the liver, destruction of, by percutaneous radiofrequency ablation or percutaneous microwave tissue ablation (including any associated imaging services), other than a service associated with a service to which item 30419 or 50952 applies (Anaes.)  Fee: \$842.60  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient  Clinical Category: Chemotherapy, radiotherapy and immunotherapy for cancer	Unresectable primary malignant tumour of the liver, destruction of, by percutaneous ablation (including any associated imaging services), other than a service associated with a service to which item 30419 or 50952 applies (Anaes.)  Fee: \$850.20  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient  Clinical Category: Chemotherapy, radiotherapy and immunotherapy for cancer

MBS Taskforce Rec 53	change amended item	item 50952	current item descriptor  Unresectable primary malignant tumour of the liver, destruction of, by open or laparoscopic radiofrequency ablation or open or laparoscopic	new item descriptor  Unresectable primary malignant tumour of the liver, destruction of, by open or laparoscopic ablation (including any associated imaging services), if a
54	amended	30416	microwave tissue ablation (including any associated imaging services), if a multi-disciplinary team has assessed that percutaneous radiofrequency ablation or percutaneous microwave tissue ablation cannot be performed or is not practical because of one or more of the following clinical circumstances:  (a) percutaneous access cannot be achieved;  (b) vital organs or tissues are at risk of damage from the percutaneous radiofrequency ablation or percutaneous microwave tissue ablation procedure;  (c) resection of one part of the liver is possible, however there is at least one primary liver tumour in an unresectable portion of the liver that is suitable for radiofrequency ablation or microwave tissue ablation; other than a service associated with a service to which item 30419 or 50950 applies (Anaes.)  Fee: \$842.60  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient  Clinical Category: Chemotherapy, radiotherapy and immunotherapy for cancer  TN.8.120 Unresectable primary malignant tumour of the liver destruction	multi-disciplinary team has assessed that percutaneous ablation cannot be performed or is not practical because of one or more of the following clinical circumstances:  (a) percutaneous access cannot be achieved;  (b) vital organs or tissues are at risk of damage from the percutaneous ablation procedure;  (c) resection of one part of the liver is possible, however there is at least one primary liver tumour in an unresectable portion of the liver that is suitable for ablation; other than a service associated with a service to which item 30419 or 50950 applies (Anaes.)  Fee: \$850.20  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient  Clinical Category: Chemotherapy, radiotherapy and immunotherapy for cancer
34	item	30410	size of the cyst is greater than 5 cm in diameter (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$772.35  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system30416	marsupialisation of 4 or less (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$779.30  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system

MBS Taskforce Rec	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
55	amended item	30417	Liver cysts, laparoscopic marsupialisation of 5 or more, including any cyst greater than 5 cm in diameter (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,158.45  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system	Liver cysts, greater than 5 cm in diameter, marsupialisation of 5 or more (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,168.90  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system

# Changes to biliary procedure MBS services

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
58	new item	30780 (combines services in items 30466 and 30467)	n/a	Intrahepatic biliary bypass of left or right hepatic ductal system by Roux-en-Y loop to peripheral ductal system (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,461.85  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30466 (item has been combined into new item 30780)	Intrahepatic biliary bypass of left hepatic ductal system by Roux-en-Y loop to peripheral ductal system (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,295.30  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
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57	delete	30446 (This service is provided by other cholecystectomy item numbers)	Laparoscopic cholecystectomy when procedure is completed by laparotomy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$762.45 PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
59	amend item	30445	Laparoscopic cholecystectomy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$762.45  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system	Cholecystectomy, by any approach, with attempted or completed cholangiogram or intraoperative ultrasound of the biliary system, when performed via laparoscopic or open approach or when conversion from laparoscopic to open approach is required (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$865.85  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
60	amend item	30443	Cholecystectomy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$762.45  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Cholecystectomy, by any approach, without cholangiogram (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$668.45  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
61	amend item	30448	Laparoscopic cholecystectomy, involving removal of common duct calculi via the cystic duct (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,003.30  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Cholecystectomy, by any approach, involving removal of common duct calculi via the cystic duct, with or without stent insertion (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,012.35  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
62	amend item	30439	Operative cholangiography or operative pancreatography or intra operative ultrasound of the biliary tract (including one or more examinations performed during the one operation) (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$191.40  PHI Classification: Clinical Category: Digestive system	Intraoperative ultrasound of biliary tract, or operative cholangiography, if the service:  (a) is performed in association with an intra-abdominal procedure; and  (b) is not associated with a service to which item 30443 or 30445 applies  (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$193.10  PHI Classification: Clinical Category: Digestive system
63	amend	30449	Laparoscopic cholecystectomy with removal of common duct calculi via laparoscopic choledochotomy (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,115.65  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Cholecystectomy with removal of common duct calculi via choledochotomy, by any approach, with or without insertion of a stent (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,125.70  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
64	amend item	30454	Choledochotomy (with or without cholecystectomy), with or without removal of calculi (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$889.45  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system	Choledochotomy without cholecystectomy, with or without removal of calculi (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,371.65  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system

MBS Taskforce Rec # 65	change amend item	item 30455	current item descriptor  Choledochotomy (with or without cholecystectomy), with removal of calculi including biliary intestinal anastomosis (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,045.70  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	new item descriptor  Choledochotomy with cholecystectomy, with removal of calculi, including biliary intestinal anastomosis (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,371.65  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
66	amend item	30472	Hepatic or common bile duct, repair of, as the primary procedure after partial or total transection of bile duct or ducts (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$958.35  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Repair of bile duct injury, including immediate reconstruction, other than a service associated with a service to which item 30584 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,386.90  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
67	amend	31472	Cholecystoduodenostomy, cholecystoenterostomy, choledochojejunostomy or Roux-en-y as a bypass procedure, if prior biliary surgery has been performed (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,206.35  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system	Cholecystoduodenostomy, cholecystoenterostomy, choledochojejunostomy or Roux-en-y loop to provide biliary drainage or bypass, other than a service associated with a service to which item 30584 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,399.80  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system



MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
68	amend	30450	Calculus of biliary or renal tract, extraction of, using interventional imaging techniques—other than a service associated with a service to which item 36627 or 36645 applies (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$540.80  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Calculus of biliary tract, extraction of, using interventional imaging techniques (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$545.65  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system  (Note: this procedure for the renal tract is provided under renal items)
69	amend item	30461	Radical resection of porta hepatis with biliary-enteric anastomoses, other than a service associated with a service to which item 30443, 30454, 30455, 30458 or 30460 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist)  Fee: \$1,524.60 PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Radical resection of porta hepatis (including associated neuro-lymphatic tissue), for cancer, suspected cancer or choledochal cyst, including bile duct excision and biliary-enteric anastomoses, other than a service associated with a service to which item 30440, 30451 or 31454 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,538.30  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
70	amend item	30463	Radical resection of common hepatic duct and right and left hepatic ducts, with 2 duct anastomoses (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,871.90  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Radical resection of common hepatic duct and right and left hepatic ducts, with 2 duct anastomoses, for cancer, suspected cancer or choledochal cyst (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,888.75  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
71	amend	30464	Radical resection of common hepatic duct and right and left hepatic ducts involving more than 2 anastomoses or resection of segment or major portion of segment of liver (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$2,246.30  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Radical resection of common hepatic duct and right and left hepatic ducts, for cancer, suspected cancer or choledochal cyst, involving either or both of the following:  (a) more than 2 anastomoses;  (b) resection of segment (or major portion of segment) of liver  (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$2,266.50  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system

## Changes to pancreas procedure MBS services

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
73	new item	30790 (combines services in items 30586 and 30587)	n/a	Pancreatic cyst anastomosis to stomach, duodenum or small intestine, by endoscopic, open or minimally invasive approach, with or without the use of endoscopic or intraoperative ultrasound (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$729.70  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30586 (item has been combined into new item 30790)	Pancreatic cyst anastomosis to stomach or duodenum by open or endoscopic means  Fee: \$723.20  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a

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MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
	delete	30587 (item has been combined into new item 30790)	Pancreatic cyst, anastomosis to Roux loop of jejunum (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$748.70  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
76	new item	30791 (a new item providing for a subsequent pancreatic necrosectomy. Item 30577 has been amended to provide for an initial pancreatic necrosectomy)	n/a	Pancreatic necrosectomy, by open, laparoscopic or endoscopic approach, excluding aftercare, subsequent procedure (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$453.35  PHI Classification: Type A - surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
78	new item	30792 (a new item for distal pancreatectomy with splenectomy. Item 30583 will be amended to provide for distal pancreatectomy with splenic preservation)	n/a	Distal pancreatectomy with splenectomy, by open or minimally invasive approach (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,242.65  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system
77	amended item	30583	Distal pancreatectomy (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,231.55  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Distal pancreatectomy with splenic preservation, by open or minimally invasive approach (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,617.35  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system

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MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
74	amended item	30584	Pancreatico-duodenectomy, Whipple's operation, with or without preservation of pylorus (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,817.80  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive system	Pancreatico-duodenectomy (Whipple's procedure), with or without preservation of pylorus, including any of the following (if performed):  (a) cholecystectomy; (b) pancreatico-biliary anastomosis; (c) gastro-jejunal anastomosis (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$3,121.55  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient
75	amended item	30577	Pancreatic necrosectomy for pancreatic necrosis or abscess formation requiring major pancreatic or retro-pancreatic dissection, excluding after-care (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,123.20  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	Clinical Category: Digestive system  Initial pancreatic necrosectomy by open, laparoscopic or endoscopic approach, excluding aftercare (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,133.30  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system  Note: new item 30791 will provide for subsequent procedures

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### Changes to spleen procedure MBS services

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
80	new item	30800 (combines services in items 30597, and 31470)	n/a	Splenectomy, by open or minimally invasive approach, other than a service to which item 30792 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$749.40  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system
	delete	30597 (item has been combined into new item 30800)	Splenectomy (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$742.70  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a
	delete	31470 (item has been combined into new item 30800)	Laparoscopic splenectomy, on a person 10 years of age or over (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$742.70  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive system	n/a

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### Changes to oncology procedure MBS services

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
82	new item	30810 (combines services in items 30578, 30580 and 30581)	n/a	Exploration of pancreas or duodenum for endocrine tumour, including associated imaging, either:  (a) followed by local excision of tumour; or  (b) when, after extensive exploration, no tumour is found  (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,193.70  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Digestive System
	delete	30578 (item has been combined into new item 30810)	Endocrine tumour, exploration of pancreas or duodenum, followed by local excision of pancreatic tumour (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,183.05  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive System	n/a
	delete	30580 (item has been combined into new item 30810)	Endocrine tumour, exploration of pancreas or duodenum, followed by local excision of duodenal tumour (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,078.10  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive System	n/a

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change delete	item 30581 (item has been combined into new item 30810)	current item descriptor  Endocrine tumour, exploration of pancreas or duodenum for, but no tumour found (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$786.15  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive System	new item descriptor n/a
83	amended	30419	Liver tumours, destruction of, by hepatic cryotherapy, other than a service associated with a service to which item 50950 or 50952 applies (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$842.60  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive System	Liver tumour, other than a hepatocellular carcinoma, destruction of one or more, by local ablation, other than a service associated with a service to which item 50950 or 50952 applies (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$850.20  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Digestive System

# Changes to lymph node procedure MBS services

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
85	new item	30820 (combines services in items 30096, and 31420)	n/a	Lymph node of neck, biopsy of, by open procedure, if the specimen excised is sent for pathological examination (Anaes.)  Fee: \$191.35  TN.8.7 - Biopsy for Diagnostic Purposes  PHI Classification: Type B - Non band specific Type B day procedures Clinical Category: Ear, nose and throat

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
	Rec # change item  delete 30096 (item has been combined into new item 30820)		Diagnostic scalene node biopsy, by open procedure, if the specimen excised is sent for pathological examination (Anaes.)  Fee: \$189.65  TN.8.7 - Biopsy for Diagnostic Purposes - (items 30071 to 30096)  PHI Classification: Type B - Non band specific Type B day procedures Clinical Category: Common list	n/a
	delete	31420 (item has been combined into new item 30820)	Lymph node of neck, biopsy of (Anaes.)  Fee: \$189.65  PHI Classification: Clinical Category: Ear, nose and throat	n/a

# Changes to excision procedure MBS services

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
101	amend item	30676	Pilonidal sinus or cyst, or sacral sinus or cyst, excision of (Anaes.)  Fee: \$390.90  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Skin	Pilonidal sinus or cyst, or sacral sinus or cyst, definitive excision of (Anaes.)  Fee: \$394.40  PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Skin

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item	current item descriptor	new item descriptor
102	amend item	30055	Wounds, dressing of, under general anaesthesia, with or without removal of sutures, other than a service associated with a service to which another item in this Group applies (Anaes.)	Wounds, dressing of, under general, regional or intravenous sedation, with or without removal of sutures, other than a service associated with a service to which another item in this Group applies (Anaes.)
			Fee: \$76.25  PHI Classification: Type B - Non-band specific Type B day procedures  Clinical Category: Skin	Fee: \$76.95  PHI Classification: Type B - Non-band specific Type B day procedures Clinical Category: Skin

## Changes to bariatric procedure MBS services

MBS Taskforce Rec #	change	item		Current item descriptor	new item descriptor
104	amend		31584	Surgical reversal of adjustable gastric banding (removal or replacement of gastric band), gastric bypass, gastroplasty (excluding by gastric plication) or biliopancreatic diversion being services to which items 31569 to 31581 apply (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,587.20  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient Clinical Category: Weight loss surgery  TN.8.30 - Reversal of a Bariatric Procedure (item 31584)	Surgical reversal of previous bariatric procedure, including revision or conversion, if:  (a) the previous procedure involved any of the following:  (i) placement of adjustable gastric banding;  (ii) gastric bypass;  (iii) sleeve gastrectomy;  (iv) gastroplasty (excluding gastric plication);  (v) biliopancreatic diversion; and  (b) any of items 31569 to 31581 applied to the previous procedure;  other than a service associated with a service to which item 31585 applies (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$1,601.50  PHI Classification: Type A - Advanced surgical patient  Clinical Category: Weight loss surgery  TN.8.30 - Reversal of a Bariatric Procedure (item 31584)

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		new item	31585		Removal of adjustable gastric band (H) (Anaes.) (Assist.)  Fee: \$865.85
					PHI Classification: Type A - Surgical patient Clinical Category: Weight loss surgery
					TN.8.30 - Reversal of a Bariatric Procedure (item 31584)