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## Notification of Fee Increase <u>1<sup>st</sup> July 2021</u>

Dear Patients,

Due to the increased cost of a running a quality medical practice, we have found it necessary to increase our fees.

In an effort to support our patients, Jasper Medical has not increased consultation fees since 2018, and delayed our planned increase last year to ensure we could support our patients through the pandemic. Healthcare has seen significant price increases on many expenses since the pandemic began, and our costs have risen substantially.

As of 1<sup>st</sup> July, our fees for common consultations are:

<b>Consultation</b>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Change</u>	Student Fee*	Medicare Rebate
Standard Consult	\$80	\$5 increase	\$55	\$39.10
Extended Consult	\$145	\$10 increase	\$100	\$75.75

Medicare rebates for these consultations have also increased, reducing your out-of-pocket costs.

\*Student fees are available to patients aged 16-22 who present a valid student card on the day of consultation.

## The practice will continue to bulk bill:

- Aged Pensioners
- Commonwealth Health Care Card holders
- Veteran's Affairs patients
- Children under 16

Doctors and staff strive to offer every patient ongoing excellence in general practice, and we look forward to continuing your care at Jasper Medical