Lower cost general practice visits

For children aged 13 years and under

We are changing things to make visits to this general practice more affordable for your family and whānau.

All children aged 13 years and under enrolled with us won’t be charged a fee for a standard visit with a doctor or nurse, or:

• an after-hours fee at participating clinics or pharmacies
• the regular $5 prescription fee.

Fees for extended consultations, procedures and extra services, such as certificates or equipment, may still be charged.

Anyone who is not enrolled in this practice should talk to our reception staff for more information.

TO FIND OUT MORE

TALK to your general practice team

TALK to your pharmacist

CALL Healthline on 0800 611 116

VISIT www.health.govt.nz/visiting-a-doctor
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Frequently asked questions

What do I need to do?

Your child must be enrolled with a general practice to be eligible for zero fee visits with a doctor or nurse. If your child is not enrolled at that practice, additional fees will apply.

It doesn’t cost anything to enrol, talk to your reception staff if you would like subsidised general practice care.

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Are children aged 13 and under eligible to receive zero fee after-hours services?

Yes, children aged 13 and under are eligible for zero fee visits at participating after-hours clinics.

Children aged 13 and under will be not be charged the regular prescription fee (usually $5) at participating after-hours pharmacies. Ask your pharmacist where to find these services.

Will ACC visits be covered for children aged 13 and under?

Most practices will provide zero fee injury related visits for children aged 13 and under.

What happens if I take my 13 year old to a practice where they are not enrolled?

If you take your child elsewhere a fee may be charged. Check with the practice you are visiting to find out if there will be a fee. Make an appointment with your usual practice if you can.

Will there be a charge for my child’s prescription?

There will be no charge for a standard prescription (usually $5) for your child aged 13 and under.

The costs for medicines that are not fully funded by PHARMAC will stay the same.

Pharmacies may charge for extra services such as delivering medicines or special packaging. Ask your pharmacist about any possible fees.