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COSTS OF OVERSEAS/SELF PAY MATERNITY CARE FOR WOMEN WITHOUT A MEDICARE CARD

This information is for women who do NOT hold a valid Medicare card.

The costs of your admission is outlined below. For self-pay and health fund gap payments these fees cannot be reimbursed by Medicare.

Please note: **\$7,500 – Normal delivery**
\$13,000 – Caesarean Section

- You will be required to pay the deposit by **32 weeks gestation** for your maternity booking to be confirmed. Please contact 54547519 or 54547518 to discuss.
- Bendigo Health has single rooms only for maternity patients, by electing to be treated at Bendigo Health for maternity admissions you are electing a single room.

Additional costs to consider

- **Excess** – Your health insurance policy excess and/or daily co-payment (if any) will apply. This is payable on admission (if applicable).
- **Clinic Fees** - \$350 per Clinic visit, is included in the deposit paid by 32 weeks, a rebate is claimable from your health fund after birthing (if applicable). A tax invoice will be sent after delivery for you to claim.
- **Other health costs** – If you require additional services such as anaesthetics, prostheses, radiology, pathology, or paediatric care for your baby, the provider will send you a separate bill. You may be eligible for rebates from your health fund (if applicable) for these services.
- **Pharmacy items for discharge** – will be payable on discharge from hospital.
- **If your Baby is admitted to Special Care Nursery** – charges of \$2,500 per day will apply.

How to pay your account

If you are **insured for pregnancy care** and do not have a valid Medicare card:

- Estimated deposit will apply as outlined, if you are **only covered for minimum benefits** in a public hospital. With this level of insurance, you will be required to pay a deposit (based on a three-day stay) of **\$7,500 or \$13,000** for caesarean. If you stay less than three days during the birth and the post-birth period, you will be reimbursed **\$415** - Once invoicing has been done it is sent to the health fund to be assessed then a refund can be arranged to your nominated account (if applicable)