

Gallagher Private Health Insurance Review

Health Insurance Consultants Australia (HICA) are a division of Gallagher Benefits Services and are pleased to offer a professional health insurance consulting service to our valued GBSAU clients. This service offers you access to:

- Quality health insurance products from a select range of trusted Australian health funds
- Specialised consultancy services to assist you in selecting an appropriate product
- Products with discounted premiums and special offers that may not normally be available to individuals

To take advantage of this free service, simply complete and return the questionnaire below and our consultants will forward to you a personal health cover recommendation and quote. Alternatively, call 1300 44 22 01 to speak to an experienced HICA Consultant.

1) Tell us about yourself	2 Your current situation
Name:	Do you currently have hospital cover? Yes No
Family Status Single Couple Family Sole parent	If yes, do you currently have an excess?
Your DOB:	If so, what amount: \$ per
Spouse DOB: / /	Do you currently have extras cover? Yes No
Address:	Your current health fund
	Your current level of cover
Email:	What do you currently pay in health cover premiums?
Phone:	Total premium amount: \$ per
Are you a business owner or employee? If so, please provide details	Nominate your Rebate Tier See over page for further information
Business Name:	Lifetime Health Cover Loading amount? (if applicable)
Industry: ABN:	Age Based Discount? % (if applicable)
What level of hospital cover suits your needs for the following services?	Which of these extra ancillary services would you use?
	a lot a little rarely never
Hospital excess amount \$500 \$750	General Dental
	General Dental
Excluded Limited Included	Major Dental
Pregnancy & Birth Excluded Limited Included	
Pregnancy & Birth Weight loss surgery	Major Dental
Pregnancy & Birth Weight loss surgery Joint reconstructions (e.g. knee)	Major Dental
Pregnancy & Birth Weight loss surgery Joint reconstructions (e.g. knee) Joint replacements	Major Dental
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Excluded Limited Included Pregnancy & Birth	Major Dental

For professional advice over the phone, call a HICA consultant - Ph 1300 442 201

Assessing your health insurance - things you should know

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT REBATE ON PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE

Eligibility for the Federal Government Rebate on Private Health Insurance is determined by your age and income.

The income thresholds and rebates for 2025- 2026 are:

		APPLICABLE REBATE % ^		INCOME THRESHOLDS		
Tier		Under 65	65-69yrs	70+	Single	Couples/ Family ~
Base	X				Up to \$101,000	Up to \$202,000
Tier 1	X				\$101,001 to \$118,000	\$202,001 to \$236,000
Tier 2	X				\$118,001 to \$158,000	\$236,001 to \$316,000
Tier 3	Χ		0%		\$158,001 or more	\$316,001 or more

- ^ Applicable rebate % changes annually from 1 April.
- * Income thresholds effective 1 July 2025 30 June 2026
- ~ Thresholds also apply to single parents and increase by \$1,500 for each dependent child after the first.

CLAIMING THE REBATE

You can nominate your expected rebate tier to receive your rebate as a reduced premium. This means you pay less upfront. We will quote you on your nominated tier.

If your nominated tier is incorrect, do not be concerned. An adjustment will be made in the form of a tax credit or liability in your annual tax return.

MEDICARE LEVY SURCHARGE

If people earn over a certain income levels and they elect not to participate in private health insurance hospital cover they are required to pay additional tax called the Medicare Levy Surcharge (MLS). Similar to the means testing of the rebate the level of MLS increases as incomes increase according to Tiers of income. The level of MLS ranges from 1.0% of income to 1.5% depending on the level of income. The table to the left shows the Tiers of income and the applicable levels of MLS if the appropriate health insurance cover is not held.

AGE BASED DISCOUNTS FOR 18 TO 29 YEAR OLDS

From 1 April 2019, insurers will be able to offer premium discounts on hospital cover of two per cent for each year that a person is aged under 30 when they first purchase hospital insurance, to a maximum of 10 per cent for 18 to 25 year olds.

LIFETIME HEALTH COVER

Lifetime Health Cover is a legislative penalty to incentify people to take out private hospital insurance by age 30.

For every year beyond age 30, the Government imposes a loading of 2% of the premiums e.g. if a person is 40 years old and takes out private hospital insurance for the first time, the person will have a 20% loading applied to the premium.

 $(40 - 30 = 10 \times 2\% = 20\%)$. The maximum loading is capped at 70% at age 65. For couples of family cover, the Lifetime Health Cover loading that is applied to the policy premium is the average Lifetime Health Cover loading of the two adult members.

Once a person has held eligible private hospital cover for 10 consecutive years, their loading will be lifted.

THERE IS NO COST TO YOU FOR HICA'S SERVICES

As a valued Gallagher Client, HICA's professional consulting services to individuals and families are available at no cost and without obligation.

You do not incur additional premium costs or charges by the health fund when you join your cover through this service. HICA is remunerated by commission (typically 2%-5%) by health funds. A list of HICA participating health funds is available at hica.com.au or by calling +61 3 94399888.

PRIVACY

HICA recognises how important the privacy of your personal information is to you. Our ability to provide you with advice and service is reliant on us obtaining certain personal information about you.

HICA collects personal information for the following purposes:

- The preparation of your Health Insurance Assessment
- The provision of Health Insurance advice to you
- Enrollment of your selected Health Fund or Funds
- Ongoing communication about HICA group services

While you are not obliged to provide us with the informa-tion requested, if you do not, we may be unable to provide you with the level of service and assistance you require and expect from

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If you have any questions about privacy, or information which we hold about you, please contact us by calling +61 3 94399888.