

MBS CHANGES TO SURGICAL EXCISION OF SKIN LESIONS (NOT SHAVE BIOPSY):

From: Nose, eyelid, eyebrow, lip, ear, digit, genitalia or contiguous areas

Excision diameter less than 6mm:

- Benign (not warts or seborrhoeic keratosis): 31357 (\$109.70)
- Malignant: 31356 (\$221.35)

Excision diameter 6mm or greater:

- Benign (not warts or seborrhoeic keratosis): 31360 (\$168.05)
- Malignant (non-melanoma): 31358 (\$270.85)
- Melanoma*: 31371 (\$357.00)

From: Face, neck, scalp, nipple-areola, distal lower limb (knee or below) or distal upper limb

Excision diameter less than 14mm:

- Non-malignant (not warts or seborrhoeic keratosis): 31362 (\$133.90)
- Malignant (non-melanoma): 31361 (\$186.70)
- Melanoma*: 31372 (\$308.70)

Excision diameter 14mm or greater:

- Non-malignant (not warts or seborrhoeic keratosis): 31364 (\$168.05)
- Malignant (non-melanoma): 31363 (\$244.30)
- Melanoma*: 31373 (\$356.80)

From: Any other site

Excision diameter less than 15mm:

- Non-malignant (not warts or seborrhoeic keratosis): 31366 (\$95.45)
- Malignant (non-melanoma): 31365 (\$158.30)
- Melanoma*: 31374 (\$281.90)

Excision diameter between 15 and 30mm:

- Non-malignant: (not warts or seborrhoeic keratosis): 31368 (\$125.55)
- Malignant (non-melanoma): 31367 (\$213.60)
- Melanoma*: 31375 (\$303.40)

Excision diameter greater than 30mm:

- Non-malignant: (not warts or seborrhoeic keratosis): 31370 (\$143.55)
- Malignant (non-melanoma): 31369 (\$245.90)
- Melanoma*: 31376 (\$351.60)

***Appendageal carcinoma, malignant connective tissue skin tumours, and Merkel cell tumours also attract these rebates:**

- 30071: Diagnostic biopsy of skin (\$52.20)
- 30072: Diagnostic biopsy of mucous membrane (\$52.20)
- 45201: Flap repair with excision of a skin lesion. Flaps include random pattern and muscle based flaps (\$413.95)
- 45202: Flap repair where the one defect requires a second flap (\$413.95)

MBS ITEMS CEASED

The skin surgery items that have been ceased are:

31200, 31205, 31210, 31215, 31230, 31235, 31240, 31255, 31256, 31257, 31258, 31260, 31261, 31262, 31263, 31265, 31266, 31267, 31268, 31270, 31271, 31272, 31273, 31275, 31276, 31277, 31278, 31280, 31281, 31282, 31283, 31285, 31286, 31287, 31288, 31290, 31291, 31292, 31293, 31295, 31300, 31305, 31310, 31315, 31320, 31325, 31330 and 31335.