Flex Essentials Extras*

*Flex Essentials Extras is only available as a combination product with one of our Hospital covers.



Flex Essentials Extras Cover

As at 1 July 2025		FLEX ESSENTIALS EXTRAS		
SERVICE		WAITS	BENEFIT	ANNUAL LIMIT
Ambulance	National Ambulance cover	1 day	100%	No limit
Optical	Glasses and contact lenses	6 months	100% of cost	\$200 per person
Dental	General Dental	2 months	60%*	
Physiotherapy and Other Therapies	Physiotherapy	2 months	60%	\$800 per person^ (combined annual limit) \$200 Sub-limit on Natural Therapies
	Exercise physiology			
Chiropractic and Osteopathic	Chiropractic	2 months	60%	
	Osteopathic			
Natural Therapies	Chinese herbal consults	2 months	60%	
	Remedial massage			
	Acupuncture			
	Dietetics			

^\$800 (combined per person annual limit to use across General Dental, Physiotherapy and other Therapies, Chiropractic and Osteopathic and Natural Therapies.)

Please note: Annual limits are per person, per financial year (unless otherwise stated). This isn't the full list of services covered. It's always best to give us a call before having any treatment to check exactly what you're covered for.

*100% benefit will be paid for selected No-Gap Preventative Dental if services are received at Peoplecare Optical and Dental or through the smile.com.au dental network. See more about No-Gap Preventative Dental on the member perks page.

If you're transferring from another fund, we'll recognise any waiting periods you've already served if you switch to us within 30 days. Plus, if you've only served part of a waiting period, say, 2 months of a 6-month waiting period, you'll only need to serve the remaining 4 months when you transfer to Peoplecare.

If you're upgrading your cover, waiting periods still apply for the services that you weren't previously covered for.

Important Information

WHAT'S NOT COVERED

There are a few things that aren't covered by your extras cover. They are treatments & services:

- X Received within your waiting period
- X Received outside Australia
- X We do not pay benefits for treatment, goods, or services rendered overseas
- X Covered by compensation or another type of insurance (like third party or sports club insurance)
- X Received more than 2 years ago
- Y Provided by a company without an Australian ABN or rendered by a provider located outside of Australia. This ensures the quality of the goods and warranties are valid, maintaining legitimacy and protection for our members
- × Medications that are non TGA approved
- X Received from a family member, relative, business partner or yourself
- X You weren't charged for
- × Sport, recreation or entertainment

and:

- Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescriptions under the standard PBS amount, contraceptives or over-the-counter medicine
- X Naturopathic & herbal medicines
- X First-aid kits & courses
- × Non-prescription glasses, contacts & sunglasses
- X Receipts issued by a third party, like group buying websites or group deals
- If you're using a gift voucher, we can't pay the difference between the cost of the service and the value of the voucher. For example, if you use a \$60 voucher to pay for a \$40 service, you can only claim back the \$40 as the official fee for that service
- X Benefits higher than the amount you paid for the service. For example, if you receive treatment that's discounted from \$65 to \$30, we only pay a benefit towards the fee you paid (i.e. \$30)
- × Surcharges, delivery costs and credit card processing fees

Ambulance Cover

Without ambulance cover, an ambulance ride could cost you thousands. Our ambulance cover is included at no cost to you with any of our Hospital and Extras, Hospital Only or Extras Only covers. Queensland and Tasmania residents don't need to worry about ambulance travel in their states, as it's free. Queensland residents are also covered by their state when travelling around Australia.

WHAT'S COVERED:

- Emergency ambulance treatment and transport to hospital via road, air and sea by a state-approved ambulance provider
- Non emergency road and air ambulance transport by a state-approved ambulance provider
- Emergency ambulance treatment without transport
- Emergency ambulance transport between private hospitals
- Unlimited nationwide

1 day waiting period

No annual limit

WHAT'S NOT COVERED:

- X General patient transport, e.g. hospital to home, nursing home, medical appointments
- X Ambulance subscriptions, fees and state-based levies
- X Ambulance services that are paid for by the Government, compensation or other kinds of insurance
- X Any transport provided by a non-recognised state ambulance provider

Important Information

EXTRAS COVER

• Annual limits are for a financial year (1 July - 30 June) and are usually per person (unless it says otherwise).

• Optical benefits (glasses and contacts) are paid when glasses or contacts are prescribed by a registered optometrist. They have to be for sight correction and we don't pay on non-prescription sunglasses.

• Smiles all 'round - We've teamed up with the smile.com.au network of quality dentists. You can now visit any of the friendly smile.com.au dentists around the country and you'll get at least 15% off their usual fee for all treatments - just for having extras cover with Peoplecare. This offer is separate to your extras limits and waiting periods, so you'll get savings all year round.

• Health management - We pay benefits for approved programs to manage or treat a specific health condition. Health screening services such as blood pressure testing, cholesterol checks, mammograms and hearing tests can be claimed if Medicare don't pay a benefit. Please call us for details. Under the Private Health Insurance Act, we can't pay benefits for goods and services that are for the purposes of sport, recreation or entertainment (like gym memberships). You'll need to send us a Declaration of Condition Form found at **peoplecare.com.au/Members/Forms.**

• Extras providers need to be registered with Medicare or recognised by Peoplecare before benefits will be paid. We reserve the right to refuse payment for services rendered by a provider who does not satisfy the fund criteria. If you wish to ensure that the provider you are attending is covered by the fund you can search for registered providers on our website **peoplecare.com.au/ findaprovider** or call us before you go.

HOW TO MAKE A EXTRAS CLAIM

Swipe your card - claim instantly

Swipe your membership card at health providers like dentists, optometrists, physios, chiros and more. You just pay the difference between the fee and your fund benefit- no claim form needed. **Claim with our mobile app**

Our mobile app makes claiming a breeze. Simply take a photo of your receipt on your smart phone or table, open our app, submit your picture - your claim is on its way to us. Download the app by searching 'Peoplecare' on the Google Play store or App Store.

Claim online

Claiming online is easy. Just like our app, all you need to do is upload a photo of your receipt to our Online Member Services and you're done. To register for our Online Member Services, just visit **peoplecare.com.au**.

IF YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND...

Changed your mind about your cover? Just let us know within 30 days of joining or upgrading your cover and you'll get a full refund of any premiums paid (as long as you haven't made any claims in that time).

YOUR PRIVACY

We're committed to the Privacy Act and Australian Privacy Principles, which means we only collect the information we need to give you access to health services. We won't collect any personal information unless we've asked first. We only collect information that we need to give you access to health services, and we don't collect personal information unless we ask you first. We protect your personal details and we'll only share your information if it's needed to provide our services. You can read our full Privacy Policy at **peoplecare.com.au/privacy** or give us a call on 1800 808 690.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU'RE NOT HAPPY

At Peoplecare, if you have any problems with your cover, give us a call on **1800 808 690**.

If you'd rather write to us, you can email **info@peoplecare.com.au** or write to **Locked Bag 33, Wollongong, NSW 2500**.

If you're still not happy after contacting us, you can contact the Private Health Insurance Ombudsman (PHIO). PHIO is free, independent and protects the rights of private health fund members. You can call PHIO on **1300 362 072**, visit **ombudsman.gov.au** or send mail to:

Private Health Insurance Ombudsman Commonwealth Ombudsman GPO Box 442 Canberra, ACT 2601

For general information on private health insurance, visit **privatehealth.gov.au**. To get a copy of our full complaints policy, go to peoplecare.com.au or contact us and we'll send you a copy.

POLICY INFORMATION

This document provides information to help you understand what you will and will not be covered for under your policy. These details are in conjunction with the fund rules which can be found here peoplecare.com.au/fund-rules. It is important that you read this document carefully and retain a copy for your reference. For more information about your specific needs, please contact us or visit our website.

CODE OF CONDUCT



The Private Health Insurance Code of Conduct is a voluntary industry code. It sets standards for health funds to make sure they do the right thing by consumers in having great staff training, clear policy

documentation, watertight privacy and easy dispute resolution. Each health fund has a short summary of every product in a standard format to help you compare them side by side. They are called Private Health Information Statements (PHIS) and you can easily get them from the Private Health Insurance Ombudsman's website by visiting health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/ compare-health-insurancepolicies. Peoplecare is proud that we meet 100% of the standards in the Code of Conduct. This means we can display the Code of Conduct tick on our materials to show you we're doing the right thing.

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Extra Benefits with smile.com.au

Peoplecare partners with the smile.com.au dental network. They're a network of over 4,000 quality dentists across Australia, so chances are there's one near you.

Peoplecare member benefits:

- Visit any of the smile.com.au dentists around the country and you'll receive 15%–40% OFF their usual fee for all treatments just for having Extras cover with Peoplecare.
- **Receive No-Gap* Preventative Dental**: Including up to 2 x No Gap* check-up and clean packages at a smile.com.au dentist, plus a no-gap mouthguard once per financial year.

Visit peoplecare.com.au/smile to find out more.



Peoplecare Optical and Dental is your one-stop dental and optical store for the whole family, located at 63 Market Street, Wollongong.

All Peoplecare health fund members get 25% off the entire range of glasses (frames and lenses), contacts and sunglasses, plus Peoplecare members with Extras cover can select from a range of no-gap glasses^ and can get a no gap* check-up and clean package.

*No gap' means there are no out-of-pocket costs on a selected range of dental treatments (as long as your annual dental limit hasn't been used). Preventative dental covers consultation, scale and clean, X-rays and fluoride as part of a check-up and clean package only. Excludes treatment-only appointments. Waiting periods apply. No-gap mouthguard relates to dental item number 151, one per person per year.

^'No-gap' glasses is for Peoplecare members. 'No-gap' means there are no out-of-pocket costs on a selected range of glasses (as long as your annual optical limit hasn't been used). The range of no-gap glasses depends on your level of Peoplecare Extras cover.

Proudly not-for-profit

Peoplecare is a not-for-profit and member-owned health fund.

We work for you, not corporate shareholders. We'll always put your needs ahead of profits so we can better look after you and your health.

Members Health Fund Alliance

Peoplecare is proud to be part of Members Health Fund Alliance, the peak industry body for not-for-profit health funds that all share a common value of putting our members' health and wellbeing before profit.









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