

# SHOULDER/UPPER ARM AND KNEE ULTRASOUND EXAMINATIONS

**In order for your patients to be eligible to be bulk billed, the following criteria must appear on the referral for all Shoulder/ Upper Arm and Knee Ultrasounds.**

## SHOULDER/UPPER ARM ULTRASOUND

Benefits are only payable when referred for the assessment of one or more of the following conditions or suspected conditions:

- evaluation of injury to tendon, muscle or muscle/tendon junction;
- rotator cuff tear/ calcification/ tendinosis (biceps, subscapular, supraspinatus, infraspinatus);
- biceps subluxation;
- capsulitis and bursitis;
- evaluation of mass including ganglion;
- occult fracture;
- acromioclavicular joint pathology.

Benefits are not payable when referred for non-specific shoulder pain alone.

## KNEE ULTRASOUND

Benefits are only payable when referred for the assessment of one or more of the following conditions or suspected conditions:

- abnormality of tendons or bursae about the knee;
- meniscal cyst, popliteal fossa cyst, mass or pseudomass;
- nerve entrapment, nerve or nerve sheath tumour;
- injury of collateral ligaments.

Benefits are not payable when referred for non-specific knee pain alone or other knee condition including:

- meniscal and cruciate ligament tears
- assessment of chondral surfaces