

Skin Procedure - Patient Hand Out

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Skin procedures are a private service that Wunan Health is able to offer patients, for a fee. There are Medicare rebates available for these services. However, all patients having these procedures will incur still out of pocket expenses. Patients have the option of being referred to the 'skin clinic' at the Kununurra District Hospital if they would prefer this, however there will likely be a waiting period.

Wunan Health provides two types of skin procedures:

- Punch biopsy (taking a small sample of a lesion for testing in the lab)
- Excision (complete removal of a skin lesion)

Private fees apply to both of these types of procedures.

Fees

Patients are required to pay an upfront deposit of \$260 at the time of booking. This deposit will be used to pay for part of the excision / biopsy item number/s [\$200], as well as for the consumables [\$60] used. Please note that there may be additional charges following the procedure, depending on amount of punch sites & type of lesion.

Punch biopsy: The fee for a Biopsy is \$128.20 for one punch site (if there are additional sites where a punch biopsy has been undertaken, each extra site is to be charged at the Medicare rebate amount). Medicare eligible patients will receive a rebate of \$53.20 on the first punch biopsy (and receive 100% back for the additional sites).

Once the procedure has been paid for, patients will be approximately \$75.00 out of pocket for the initial punch biopsy site plus \$60 for the consumables fee.

Excision: The fee for an excision depends on the type of lesion that is excised. Sometimes the Doctor will already know what the lesion is but often they will need to wait until the results of laboratory testing confirm the lesion type. If there are multiple lesions then each lesion will have a separate fee (each extra site after the initial site, is to be charged at the Medicare rebate amount, allowing 100% back for the additional sites).

Once the procedure has been paid for, patients will be approximately \$120.00 out of pocket for the initial excision plus \$60 for the consumables fee.

Removal of sutures

Skin procedures may require sutures to be removed a week or so after the procedure. On the day of the procedure, please request to book an appointment for this. There will be no charge for removal of sutures if procedure has been done at Wunan Health as this cost is included in the fee for consumables.