# **Voucher Programme**



A programme by WellSouth

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#### **Intended Purpose**

The WellSouth Voucher programme targets Māori, Pacific and other high-risk populations, although available to anyone in need. It is strictly for patients who are unable to pay, and without the voucher would not visit their GP/Practice Nurse. It cannot be used to assist with any existing practice debts.

### Eligibility

- Available for anyone in need with a voucher.
- All vouchers must be signed by the issuer, unless generated electronically by WellSouth.
- Vouchers must be used within 7 days of issue, however WellSouth can re-issue if not claimed.

The practice is encouraged to discuss payment plans or other options for reduced cost healthcare for future visits.

#### **Key Information**

- Priority patients are eligible for one voucher every six months.
- The GP voucher can be used for a standard consultation with the GP or nurse up to the maximum value of \$19.50.
- Pharmacy vouchers issued are no longer to be claimed (this includes non-subsidised medications), as free prescriptions commenced in July 2023.
- Any practice issuing or claiming a voucher are required to follow the <u>terms and conditions</u>.

## Claiming

Claiming is via the WellSouth PHN portal.



### Service codes for your PMS

Please set these up prior to using the programme.

Code	Amount (incl. GST)	Description
WSVP1	\$19.50	GP Voucher

## Payment Rates (excl. GST)

\$ 16.96 + GST GP Voucher

### Can a co-payment be charged?

No co-payment can be charged to a patient with a Community Services Card (CSC). Non-CSC holders can be charged the remainder of the standard consult fee.

# When does the claim need to be completed?

Claiming must be completed within 7 days otherwise it disappears from the WellSouth portal.

If your PMS is aligned to the WellSouth Clinical BCTIs, please contact <u>practicenetwork@wellsouth.org.nz</u> with your new Account Internal ID.