



Medicare repayment responsibilities

If your CTP Compensation Claim is more than \$5,000, you may need to reimburse Medicare for any benefits it paid for your crash related injuries. These benefits will be repaid from your compensation.

You or the Insurance Commission of WA can ask for a copy of your *Medicare history statement* from Medicare to find out what repayments maybe required. A [Medicare Compensation Recovery Medicare history statement request form](#) is used to do this.

The *statement* lists the benefits Medicare paid since the date of the accident. A *declaration* will come with the *statement* for you to advise Medicare if you received any other Medicare benefits related to your accident injury.

If you want someone else to deal with Medicare for you, you will need to complete a [Medicare Compensation Recovery Third party authority form](#).

Your responsibilities

Tick all the items on the *Medicare history statement* that relate to your accident injuries. Send your completed *statement* and *declaration* to Medicare within 28 days. If you need more time, call Medicare on **132 127**.

If the forms are unreturned, you may have to repay Medicare for all the services on your *statement*.

Medicare will contact you if it thinks your *statement* was completed incorrectly.

Insurance Commission's responsibility

The Insurance Commission must advise Medicare within 28 days of your claim settling if:

- the compensation is over \$5,000; and
- a reimbursement arrangement was made more than six months after the date your claim was lodged.

Notice of past benefits

Medicare will add up each Medicare benefit relating to your CTP Compensation Claim from the *statement* and *declaration* and send a *Notice of past benefits* to you and the Insurance Commission. The purpose of the *Notice of past benefits* is to inform the amount to repay to Medicare.

Call Medicare on **132 127** if you think the details on your *Notice* are incorrect.

Notice of charge

Your *Notice of past benefits* is valid for six months. If your CTP Compensation Claim settles while the *notice* is valid, the *Notice of past benefits* becomes your *Notice of charge*. Your *Notice of charge* states the total to be repaid to Medicare by the Insurance Commission.

The Insurance Commission will indemnify this amount, provided it is related to your accident injuries and repay Medicare.

If this amount is not related to your accident injuries we will deduct this from your compensation payment.

If you do not have a valid *Notice of past benefits* at claim settlement

If your *Notice of past benefits* has expired when your claim settles, you may:

- **Get a new *Notice of charge***

You can request a new Medicare history statement and declaration. You will need to identify any benefits used since your last *Notice of past benefits*. Medicare will send a new *Notice of past benefits* which becomes your *Notice of charge*.



- **The Insurance Commission will process your settlement and apply the 90/10 rule**

If you do not obtain a current Notice of Charge the Insurance Commission will pay 10% of your compensation to Medicare within 28 days and the remaining 90% to you.

Medicare will then send you a new Medicare history statement and declaration. Send your completed statement and declaration to Medicare within 28 days.

If the amount due to Medicare is less than the advance payment, the difference will be returned to you. Medicare will do this within 28 days of issuing a Notice of charge.

If the amount due to Medicare is more than the advance payment, the Insurance Commission will indemnify this amount, provided it is related to your accident injuries, and repay Medicare.

If the amount is not related to your accident injuries, you will need to contact Medicare.

- **Complete a *Section 23A Statement***

You can complete a Medicare Compensation Recovery Section 23A Statement form if you have not received any relevant Medicare benefits since your Notice of past benefits expired. Medicare will send a new Notice of charge.

Summary of what you need to do

Before your CTP Compensation Claim settles

Step 1: Complete your *Medicare history statement and declaration*

Step 2: Return the forms to Medicare

Step 3: Check your *Notice of past benefits*.

When your CTP Compensation Claim settles

With a valid Notice of past benefits, the Insurance Commission will indemnify this amount provided it is related to your accident injuries and repay Medicare directly.

With an expired Notice of past benefits, your options are to:

- get a new *Notice of charge*; or
- the Insurance Commission will process your settlement and apply the 90/10 rule; or
- complete a *Section 23A Statement*.

For more information see www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/medicare-compensation-recovery or contact Medicare on **132 127** or your insurer.