



PATS Application Form - Section 3 for Patients

Introduction

The Patient Assistance Transport Scheme (PATS) is a subsidy program that provides money to pay for some travel, escort and accommodation costs when people from rural and remote South Australia travel over 100 kilometres each way to see a specialist. More information, including an information booklet and brochure, is available at www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/pats

How to apply?

You can make an application online via a dedicated web portal at www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/PATS.

The system makes it easier for your patient to apply for subsidy.

Paper-based application forms can still be submitted via your local PATS office or via Australia Post. The application form is available in three sections:

Section 1 for Local Doctors

Section 2 for Specialists

Section 3 for Patients

To receive a PATS subsidy through Country Health SA Local Health Network by paper, you should complete Section 1 if confirmation of the nearest specialist eligibility is required. After visiting a specialist, who should complete section 2, your patient should then complete and send the relevant sections of the application to the nearest PATS office.

Important information

To be eligible for a PATS reimbursement the application form is to be lodged within 6 months of the specialist appointment.

Accommodation subsidies of up to \$40 (plus GST) are available for commercial accommodation. Please note direct payments can only take place by prior arrangement, and a copy of the completed section 2 and 3 application forms with the original patient signature is required to process the claim.

Collection of personal information

The CHSALHN respects your privacy. Your personal information will be collected, stored, and used for the purposes of administering the Patient Assistance Transport Scheme. Information will not be disclosed unless permitted or required under the *Health Care Act 2008 (SA)* or *Mental Health Act 2009 (SA)*. You may gain access to your personal information stored by the CHSALHN by contacting the Freedom of Information Officer.

Send completed application forms to:

Area Health Service	FAX	Postal Address
Mount Gambier & Districts Health Service	(08) 8721 1555	PO Box 267, MOUNT GAMBIER SA 5290
Port Lincoln Health & Hospital Services	(08) 8683 2060	PO Box 630, PORT LINCOLN SA 5606
Port Augusta Hospital & Regional Health Services	(08) 8668 7643	Hospital Road, PORT AUGUSTA SA 5700
Riverland Regional Health Services	(08) 8580 2498	Maddern Street, BERRI SA 5343
Whyalla Hospital & Health Services	(08) 8648 8529	PO Box 267, WHYALLA SA 5600
Adelaide	(08) 8226 5580	PO Box 3017, Rundle Mall, ADELAIDE SA 5000

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