

INDIGENOUS DOSE ADMINISTRATION AIDS PROGRAM

Fact sheet for Medical Practitioners and other Healthcare Providers.

What is the Indigenous Dose Administration Aids (IDAA) Program?

The IDAA Program is an Australian Government funded program, which commenced on 1 July 2021.

It aims to assist eligible patients in the community who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander to better manage their medicines by providing free Dose Administration Aids (DAA), with the objective of avoiding medication misadventure and improving medication adherence.

Patient Requirements for Participation in the IDAA Program

To be eligible for DAA, a patient must satisfy the following mandatory eligibility criteria:

- Self-identifies as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person; and
- Holds a Medicare and/or Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) card; or
- is a person who is eligible for a Medicare card; and
- Be a patient likely to benefit from a DAA as identified by a prescriber or by another healthcare provider; and
- Is living at home in a community setting; and
- Provides appropriate consent for provision of the IDAA Service prior to receiving the service; and
- Has difficulties managing their medications due to literacy or language issues, physical disability or cognitive difficulties; or
- Is taking one or more prescription medicine(s) and is experiencing difficulties with medication management.

Patients who do not provide consent are not eligible to receive a DAA funded under this Program.

The Consent Form is available on the Pharmacy Programs Administrator [website](#).

Patients not eligible to participate

IDAA Services funded under this Program are not available to:

- In-patients of public or private hospitals;
- day hospital facilities;
- transitional care facilities;
- to residents of an Aged Care Facility;
- Patients in a correctional facility; or
- Patients receiving DAA Services funded under other federal or State and Territory Government programs including the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) DAA Program.

Additional information about the IDAA program, including the Program Rules, can be found on the Pharmacy Programs Administrator website [here](#).

