



PIP Ehealth Incentive Guidelines – August 2009

1. **Requirement 1 – Secure messaging capability.** Wait and see who are the published vendors (I believe the vendors are meeting with Medicare on Friday March 24 and till that happens there will be no published list of vendors). **You have until July 31 to fulfil this requirement.** Argus will be on the list. To see eligible suppliers: www.nehta.gov.au/pip-vendors
2. **Requirement 2 – PKI certificates for the practice and each GP.** Get the ball rolling on applying (re-applying) for individual GP PKI certificates (most have the practice certificates). Registration forms for individual and location/site PKI certificates are available from the Medicare Australia website at: www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/pkiforms
3. **Requirement 3 – Access to key electronic clinical resources.** Organise the **current** on-line clinical resources for each PC on the network.

From Table 1

eTherapeutic Guidelines – cost \$300 p.a. per GP (\$150 renewal)

(<http://www.tg.org.au/>) http://www.tg.org.au/uploads/PDFs/order_form.pdf

Australian Medicines Handbook

(<http://www.amh.net.au/>) [\\$155 Buy now](#) | [Order form](#)

RACGP Red Book (incorporated into Doctors Control Panel, by the way) - free

<http://www.racgp.org.au/guidelines/redbook>)

3 other resources from Table 2

Clinical Evidence on-line (BMJ)

(http://clinicalevidence.bmj.com/ceweb/products/online_only.jsp)

– £142 (Clinical Evidence Online)

Bandolier; Clinical evidence – free

<http://www.medicine.ox.ac.uk/bandolier/index.html>

Clinical resources

Immunisation: Myths and Realities - free

(<http://www.immunise.health.gov.au/internet/immunise/publishing.nsf/content/uci-myths-guideprov>)

The Australian Immunisation Handbook - free

(<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/immunise/publishing.nsf/Content/Handbook-home>)

Assessing Fitness to Drive – free

(<http://www.austroads.com.au/cms/AFTD%20web%20Aug%202006.pdf>)

Regulatory Resources

Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) - free

(<http://www9.health.gov.au/mbs/search.cfm>)

Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) - free

(<http://www.pbs.gov.au/html/healthpro/home>)

Timeline:

Starts August 2009 for previous quarter (May, June, July). Applications in by end of April 2009 but you can still tick all 3 requirements even if Requirement 1 has not been completed. If Requirement 1 has not been completed by July 31 you must notify Medicare.

PIP Incentives Hotline: 1800 222 032