

There are **strict guidelines** in place for rebates relating to **referrals from Allied Health practitioners**. As per the Medicare Benefits Schedule, your patient may be Bulk Billed **for the following referrals only**.

## Physiotherapists, Chiropractors and Osteopaths:

### Radiographic Examinations permitted under Medicare:

1. Examination of the Hip Joint
2. Examination of the Pelvic Girdle
3. Examination of the Cervical Spine
4. Examination of the Lumbosacral Spine
5. Examination of the Sacrococcygeal
6. Examination of the Four Regions of the spine - Cervical, Thoracic, Lumbosacral and Sacrococcygeal
7. Examination of Two Regions of the spine
8. Examination of Three Regions of the spine

## Podiatrists:

### Radiographic Examinations permitted under Medicare:

1. Examination of the Foot
2. Examination of the Ankle
3. Examination of the Leg
4. Examination of the Knee
5. Examination of the Femur
6. Examination of the Foot and Ankle
7. Examination of the Ankle and Leg
8. Examination of the Leg and Knee
9. Examination of the Knee and Femur

**Important Note:** Under the **Queensland Radiation Safety Act (1999)**, North Queensland X-Ray Services (NQXS) acts as the "Authorised Person" for all procedures referred by physiotherapists and osteopaths. Under the Act, **NQXS may refuse a referral** if it is deemed to be unnecessary or inappropriate. Where this occurs, NQXS will endeavor to contact the referring practitioner to either clarify the request or to discuss alternative options.