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## Urgent Care Clinic

# Free walk-in medical care for when it's urgent, but not an emergency.



## When should I go to a Medicare Urgent Care Clinic?

Medicare Urgent Care Clinics are for when you've got a medical problem that can't wait for a regular doctor's appointment, but isn't a full-blown emergency. It's for the in-between stuff.

### Things that might need urgent care include:

- minor fractures
- sprains
- minor infections
- small burns
- minor eye or ear infections
- serious stomach aches
- urinary tract problems



## Why are Medicare Urgent Care Clinics important?

Medicare Urgent Care Clinics help reduce pressure on our hospitals and emergency departments, so they can focus on treating emergencies and life-threatening conditions.



## Where should I head in an emergency?

In an emergency, or if you think an illness is life-threatening, you should ALWAYS call triple zero or head straight to the emergency department or hospital.

### This includes things like:

- chest pain
- difficulty breathing
- severe burns
- poisoning
- losing sensation
- seizures

**or any other time you're not sure.**



## Does a Medicare Urgent Care Clinic replace my regular doctor or clinic?

Definitely not. Medicare Urgent Care Clinics are for just that – urgent care. Your local doctor or health worker should be your first stop for everyday and preventative health care.



Find your nearest Medicare Urgent Care Clinic at [health.gov.au/MedicareUCC](https://health.gov.au/MedicareUCC)



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