

# IV Antibiotics

## Primary Options for Acute Care (POAC) Suite



A programme by **WellSouth**

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### Intended Purpose

WellSouth has a suite of Primary Options for Acute Care (POAC). POAC are designed to either prevent a hospital admission or offer the patient a service which is normally provided in a hospital, at a general practice. This may be at the patient's usual general practice or at another nearby practice. This programme allows for treatment of specific conditions in general practice, with IV antibiotics.

### HealthPathways Link:

<https://southern.communityhealthpathways.org/33444.htm> (Pyelonephritis)

Please note: Sepsis pathway is in development.

### Presenting Concerns

- Pyelonephritis
- Sepsis

### Exclusions

- ACC presentations
- Treatment of cellulitis

### Key Information

- Patient can receive of a single dose of antibiotics. i.e. for the conditions above. No additional dose or review can be claimed.
- No simultaneous claim is to be made against any other funding stream for this service, however you may also claim for IV fluids if indicated.
- Claims which are not for the above concerns will be declined.
- Patient must be enrolled in a WellSouth practice to be eligible.

### Practice Point:

IV antibiotics are not indicated for the treatment of cellulitis in the community, with high does oral antibiotics & Probenecid as effective. This is now the standard of care for recommended treatment. See [Health-Pathway](#).

### Claiming

Claiming is via the WellSouth PHN portal.

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### Service codes for your PMS

Please set these up prior to using the programme.

Code	Amount (incl. GST)	Description
WPCIVI	\$126.50	POAC IV Antibiotics

### Payment Rates

\$ 110.00 + GST POAC IV Antibiotics

### Can a co-payment be charged?

No co-payment can be charged.

### When does the claim need to be completed?

Claiming must be completed within 2 months of treatment.

*If your PMS is aligned to the WellSouth Clinical BCTIs, please contact [practicenetwork@wellsouth.org.nz](mailto:practicenetwork@wellsouth.org.nz) with your new Account Internal ID.*