



# Pipelle Biopsy

A programme by **WellSouth**

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## Intended Purpose

This programme allows for Endometrial sampling with Pipelle Biopsy in selected practices who have opted to offer the procedure for patients presenting with the conditions or symptoms listed under presenting concerns.

**HealthPathways Link:** <https://southern.communityhealthpathways.org/13742.htm>

## Presenting Concerns

- Heavy menstrual bleeding, or
- Intermenstrual bleeding, or
- Post Menopausal bleeding, or
- Endometrial cells on cervical smears

## Key Information

- A patient information sheet is available by clicking a link in the WellSouth Pipelle Portal—this can be printed and given to the patient as part of the informed consent process.

## Equipment for performing the procedure

- A list of suppliers who have Pipelle devices to order is available via the Pipelle Biopsy [Health Pathway](#) as above.

## Patient follow-up

- Follow up appointments of \$75.00 +GST can be claimed for positive results only. This allows for face-to-face discussion with the patient and paperwork involved with referral on to secondary services for ongoing management and treatment.
- For patients who have a negative result, any follow up appointments will be at the patient's own expense.

**Please note:** The portal form will need to be parked when a successful sample has been obtained. Once results are available the form will be able to be completed and submitted.

## Claiming

Claiming is via the WellSouth PHN portal.

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New Claim

## Service codes for your PMS

Please set these up prior to using the programme.

Code	Amount (incl. GST)	Description
WPPIP2	\$ 322.00	Pipelle Biopsy with Follow up
WPPIP1	\$ 235.75	Pipelle Biopsy

## Payment Rates (excl.GST)

- \$ 205.00 + GST For the Pipelle Biopsy
- \$ 75.00 + GST Will be claimable for follow up of positive results only

If sampling is unsuccessful, you will be able to submit the claim immediately and still receive the \$205.00 + GST payment.

## 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.*

For further information regarding this programme please contact [practicenetwork@wellsouth.org.nz](mailto:practicenetwork@wellsouth.org.nz) or your Primary Care Relationship Manager.