

Att: Helen Owens
Productivity Commissioner into GP compliance costs

Dear Helen

I would like to add my voice to the growing number of GPs who are disgusted by the supposedly simplified new TDRs. The level of detail is staggering and there are requests for extensive additional documentation such as specialists reports and laboratory results.

Your typical complicated disabled person would have enough information in his or her file to keep me occupied for at least several hours. These are usually people who are living in poverty and who cannot afford to pay my rates for this work.

Am I therefore expected to:

- a. Defraud Medicare and charge for a complicated consultation - which is still much less than what I should get for such a complicated report?
- b. Charge a disabled, socially disadvantaged patients the same rate I would charge an insurance company in such a case - several hundred dollars?
- c. Do these things for free????

Yours truly

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