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# 2016 Medicare Safety Net thresholds

There are different Medicare Safety Net thresholds depending on your circumstances.

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	Threshold amount	Who it is for	How it is calculated	What the benefit is
<b>Original</b>	\$447.40	All Medicare cardholders	Based on gap amount	100% of schedule fee for out of hospital services
<b>Extended Concessional and FTB Part A</b>	\$647.90	Concession cardholders and families eligible for FTB Part A	Out of pocket costs	80% of out of pocket costs or the EMSN benefit cap for out of hospital services
<b>Extended general</b>	\$2,030.00	All Medicare cardholders	Out of pocket costs	80% of out of pocket costs or the EMSN benefit cap for out of hospital services

**Out of pocket costs** is the difference between the Medicare benefit and what your doctor charges you.

**Schedule fee** is a fee for service set by the Australian Government.

**Gap amount** is the difference between the Medicare benefit and the schedule fee.

**EMSN** is the Extended Medicare Safety Net.

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