

Eligibility criteria for Bravo pH monitoring

Southern Cross will only reimburse the cost of Bravo pH monitoring under a member's policy when at least **one** of the following criteria is met for that member.

- **1.** For the investigation of oesophageal acid exposure in patients where anti-reflux surgery is being considered and no abnormalities have been found on a prior gastroscopy.
- **2.** For the evaluation of patients after anti-reflux surgery where there is a suspicion of ongoing abnormal reflux that is non-responsive to proton pump inhibitor (PPI) therapy.
- **3.** For the evaluation of gastroscopy negative patients with reflux symptoms that are not relieved by optimal proton pump inhibitor (PPI) therapy.
- **4.** To establish the adequacy of proton pump inhibitor (PPI) therapy for oesophageal acid control in patients with Barrett's oesophagus.

Please also ensure you are familiar with all **policy exclusions**, including:

- Acute care
- Congenital conditions
- Cosmetic treatment/procedures
- Health screening
- Treatment of any condition not detrimental to health
- Unapproved healthcare services.

Refer to the relevant policy document for specific conditions and exceptions that apply to these exclusions.

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