

## Eligibility criteria for radioactive iodine therapy

Southern Cross will only reimburse the cost of radioactive iodine therapy under a member's policy when **one** of the following criteria is met.

1. For thyrotoxicosis including subclinical thyrotoxicosis/thyroid autonomy when radioactive iodine is indicated and expected to have avid thyroid uptake.
2. Following a thyroidectomy, for patients diagnosed with differentiated thyroid cancer.

The cost of radioactive iodine therapy will **not** be reimbursed in the following circumstances:

- for medullary thyroid cancer
- for undifferentiated (anaplastic) thyroid cancer.

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.