

# Ultrasound of Shoulders and Knees

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**Not all shoulder and knee US are claimable. Try to get as much clinical history from the patient to ascertain whether it's claimable before the patients appointment.**

### **Shoulders**

Medicare benefits are **Claimable** for these indications:

- ◆ Evaluation of injury to tendon, muscle or muscle/tendon junction.
- ◆ Rotator cuff tear/calcification/tendinosis. (biceps, subscapular, supraspinatus, infraspinatus)
- ◆ Biceps Subluxation
- ◆ Capsulitis and bursitis (frozen shoulder)
- ◆ Evaluation of mass including ganglion
- ◆ Occult fracture
- ◆ Acromioclavicular joint pathology

Medicare benefits are **NOT Claimable** for these indications:

- ◆ Including non-specific shoulder pain alone

### **Knees**

Medicare benefits are **Claimable** for these indications:

- ◆ Abnormality of tendons or bursae about the knee
- ◆ Meniscal cyst, popliteal cyst, mass or pseudomass
- ◆ Nerve entrapment, nerve or nerve sheath tumour
- ◆ injury of collateral ligaments (bakers cyst)

Medicare benefits are **NOT Claimable** for these indications:

- ◆ Knee pain
  - ◆ Other conditions including meniscal and cruciate ligament tears
  - ◆ Assessment of chondral surfaces
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