Australia - Health - Basic Plan

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Policy Overview

This is the Basic Health Insurance Plan for Australia. Designed to offer tier-appropriate coverage and pricing.

Target customer profile: Australian residents seeking clear, tiered protection matching their needs and budget.

Eligibility & Criteria

- Age limits vary by tier and underwriting outcomes.
- Residency: Australian residents or valid visa holders.
- Special exclusions may apply, e.g., smoker status and pre-existing conditions may influence waiting periods or premiums.

Coverage Features

Includes a tiered structure with defined limits, sub-limits, and benefits appropriate to the selected tier.

Tier	Sum Assured	Waiting Period	Riders/Extras
Basic	Low	Longer	Essentials only
Standard	Moderate	Moderate	Optional riders
Gold	High	Shorter	Critical illness included
Premium	Very High	Zero/Minimal	Extensive riders, global care

Exclusions & Limitations

- Fraud, illegal acts, reckless or intentional self-harm.
- Events outside the policy period or declared exclusions in the PDS.
- Waiting periods for certain benefits and pre-existing conditions.

Premium Calculation Rules

- Age, income, dependents, smoker status, and selected sum assured influence premiums.
- Tier impacts limits, waiting periods, and rider availability.

Claim Settlement Rules

Process: Notify insurer promptly \rightarrow Provide required documents \rightarrow Assessment \rightarrow Decision \rightarrow Settlement. Documents may include ID, proof of loss, invoices, medical reports, police reports (as relevant). Typical timelines adhere to fair claims handling standards.

Regulatory Notes

- This product is issued subject to Australian regulations and consumer law.
- Private health insurance supplements Medicare; waiting periods may apply per policy.
- APRA oversees prudential standards for insurers; ASIC regulates conduct and disclosure.
- Key documents: Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) and Target Market Determination (TMD).
- Cooling-off period and dispute resolution per Australian requirements apply.
- Benefits, exclusions, and limits are summaries—consult the PDS for full details.

Tier Comparison (Within Policy Type)

Side-by-side overview of Basic, Standard, Gold, and Premium tier divergences for quick reference.