



## **FEES**

### **Privacy Amendment (Private Sector) Act 2000**

The Federal Privacy Commissioner has not recommended fees.

National Privacy Principle 6.4 provides

**'if an organisation charges for providing access to personal information, those charges :**

- (a) must not be excessive; and**
- (b) must not apply to lodging a request for access'**

In the absence of a schedule of fees, it has been suggested by the Health Services Commissioner (Victoria) that GPs could adopt the schedule of fees provided –

- as per the MBS schedule – AND advise patients that there is no MBS number to cover this cost
- as per the *Freedom of Information (Access Charges) Regulations 1993*
  - For search and Retrieval - \$20.00 per hour
  - Inspection of document/s \$5.00 per 15 minutes or part thereof
  - Or
  - Hear sounds and/or view visual images \$5.00/15 minutes
  - Photocopying 20 cents per A4 page

**Source: Freedom of Information (Access Charges) Regulations 1993**

**Victorian Government Legislation website:**

**[www.dms.dpc.vic.gov.au](http://www.dms.dpc.vic.gov.au)**

- as per the draft proposals for Health Records Regulations (*Health Records Act 2001 (Vic)*)

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