

Specific Accreditation Guidance

Scope of accreditation - service descriptors for Sleep Disorders Services

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This document lists the descriptors for services currently able to be accredited for Sleep Disorders Services.

The Scope of Accreditation will include the ASA Standard for Sleep Disorders Services, the applicable services, the product (patient age group), the determination as listed below and the technique used.

Scopes of accreditation will also include the procedure adopted however, this information will not be made public and is only available to the accredited facility.

Product

Adult and paediatric patient groups are distinguished in the product descriptor in the scope line which details the age ranges of services/testing.

Product			
Patients aged 0 to 12 years; Patients aged between 12 and 18 years; Patients aged 15 years and over;			

Service and determination

The list below will be updated as new services and determinations are accredited.

Services	Determination
Administrative support	Patient booking; Scoring; Reporting;
Clinical management service [Note 1]	Comprehensive clinical management program for uncomplicated and complex sleep disorders
	Clinical management program for sleep disordered breathing including in-laboratory continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) therapy initiation
	Clinical management program for uncomplicated sleep disordered breathing (obstructive sleep apnoea and/or snoring) without in-laboratory therapy initiation
Diagnostic study	Diagnostic polysomnography (PSG) - Laboratory
	Diagnostic polysomnography (PSG) - Unattended
	Maintenance of wakefulness testing
	Multiple sleep latency testing
	Video and extended EEG monitoring for nocturnal seizures

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	Limited channel sleep studies - Type 3
	Limited channel sleep studies - Type 4
Treatment study	Positive airway pressure laboratory titrations
	Unattended positive airway pressure titrations
	Non-Positive airway pressure therapeutic interventions

NOTE 1: Clinical management services will only apply to services where the clinical management is provided on-site, and under the control of the service seeking accreditation.

Additional information:

Low volume or infrequent testing

A low volume test or infrequent test is defined as having been performed less than 10 times per year.

Where a service wishes to include these tests on their Scope of Accreditation, the onus is on the facility to demonstrate ongoing competence for these tests. A documented procedure should be available describing how the facility assures the results and maintain skills necessary to perform the test.

Type 3 and/or Type 4 Devices

Type 3 and/or type 4 devices used for limited channel sleep studies will only be assessed in services that use these devices in conjunction with type 1 and/or type 2 study devices.

Amendment Table

The table below provides a summary of changes made to the document with this issue.

Amendment	
Invasive ventilation has been removed from the treatment study service.	
Low volume definition has been amended & the lower limit for inclusion of tests in a Scope of Accreditation has been removed.	

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