

# Dr Donohoe's Medical Practice

## Introduction

Dr Donohoe is a medical practitioner registered in New South Wales. He graduated from the University of Sydney in 1980, and is a general practitioner specialising in environmental medicine. His specific fields of expertise and experience include:

- chronic fatigue syndrome (CFS)
- multiple chemical sensitivities (MCS)
- long term exposure to hazardous agents
- exposure to complex mixtures of hazardous chemicals
- use of complementary and alternative medicines and approaches

Dr Donohoe also has extensive experience in the assessment and provision of reports for patients who may have suffered injuries or illness related to:

- workplace or environmental chemical injuries
- adverse effects related to prescribed medications or other drugs
- vaccination

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## Bookings

Bookings for consultations can be made through our office from Tuesday to Friday, 10 AM to 4 PM. Consultations are carried out from 9 AM to 5 PM (last booked appointment 4:00 PM) on those days.

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### Face-to-face consultations

Please note that from 1 August 2000, our practice policy has changed significantly, and all consultations will be strictly limited to the following schedule.

Initial consultation	<i>(90 minutes)</i>	\$250
Standard follow-up consultation	<i>(45 minutes)</i>	\$135
Extended follow-up consultation	<i>(per additional 15 minutes)</i>	\$45
Short follow-up consultation	<i>(30 minutes)</i>	\$90

When booking your appointment, please specify the length of the consultation you require unless it is an initial or standard follow-up consultation. Please understand that, for the benefit of all our patients, we cannot extend your consultation beyond the time you have booked.

### Telephone consultations

In special circumstances, telephone consultations are available for patients who are unable to attend the practice because of incapacity or distance. These are not intended to replace face-to-face consultations, but do allow for simple follow up and advice. Please note that telephone consultations are not, at present, Medicare rebatable, and attract GST. Payment is made by credit card, and bookings need to be made through the office.

Telephone consultation	<i>(per 15 minutes or part, GST incl.)</i>	\$49.50
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### Email consultations - [doctormark@mac.com](mailto:doctormark@mac.com)

For patients with access to the internet, email consultations are available. Like phone consultations, these are not intended to replace face-to-face consultations. They are for non-urgent matters, and most will be replied to within three working days. The email needs to identify the sender, and the response will be made to specific questions or matters raised by the sender. All email sent to the address [doctormark@mac.com](mailto:doctormark@mac.com) will be assumed to be for billable medical work.

Please note that any information transferred by email is not secure, and can be intercepted and read by third parties. If this issue is important, arrangements can be made for secure communications using PGP security software. Please contact the office or Dr Donohoe for further information. Please note that email consultations are not, at present, Medicare rebatable, and attract GST. Payment is made by credit card, however, bookings are not required.

E-mail consultation	<i>(per 10 min or part- read &amp; reply, GST incl.)</i>	\$22
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## Cancellations

Cancellations or deferment of all appointments require at least one working day's notice. Otherwise, a cancellation fee of 50% of the scheduled appointment fee will be charged.

## Payments

Please note that we do not bulk-bill, and that all consultations must be paid for in full at the completion of the appointment. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or credit card (BC, MC, Visa).

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## What to bring

Patient are advised to bring any relevant documents for the first consultation, such as:

- any past medical records, pathology, reports, or referral letters related to your health problems;
- a brief document with the chronology of your illness, and other important details; and
- a referral or summary from your practitioner, if possible.

Please note that many of Dr Donohoe's patients are extremely sensitive to a broad range of common volatile chemicals and smells. We ask that you refrain from wearing perfumes, scented deodorants, hair sprays, dry cleaned clothing and any other items which may have even a subtle odour. This is very important, and patients failing to do this may need to be rescheduled or canceled.

## After the consultation

Pathology, which may be needed following consultations, is generally Medicare rebatable. Certain tests do not currently attract rebates under the Medicare system. These include

- tests performed by Newcastle University (urinary markers, faecal assessment);
- certain specialised tests (chromosomal test, PCR pathogen test, dust / soil analysis, air sampling);
- tests performed outside Australia (stool and detoxification tests and specific viral assays).

Please discuss these with Dr Donohoe if you have concerns about these.

Typically, a follow-up consultation is scheduled between four and six weeks after the first consultation, allowing time for the tests to be performed and results returned. At the follow-up consultation, the results are reviewed and explained, and an action plan is set at that time.

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## Practice Details

**Postal (A/C, enquiries, etc.):** PO Box 328, Military Rd, Mosman NSW 2088

**Practice street address:** 129A Raglan St, Mosman

**Telephone:** 02 9968-1087 (general bookings - Suzanne or Fiona)

**Fax:** 02 9968-4778

**Email (general):** [mark@geko.net.au](mailto:mark@geko.net.au)

**Email (consultations):** [doctormark@mac.com](mailto:doctormark@mac.com)

**WWW:** <http://www.geko.net.au/~mark/Medical/>

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