

People receiving treatment for infectious diseases

Guide to eligibility for publicly funded health and disability services.

Eligibility:

People who have or who are suspected of having an infectious and/or quarantinable disease are eligible for publicly funded health services to address the risks to other people.

Infectious and quarantinable diseases are those listed in the Schedule to the Health Act 1956 and tuberculosis.

The services must relate only to all or any of the following:

- the surveillance of persons who are liable to quarantine under the Health Act 1956 or the Tuberculosis Act 1948
- diagnosis
- treatment of the person's infectious or quarantinable disease
- follow-up services and
- contact tracing services.

for the person's infectious or quarantinable disease, to the extent appropriate in the circumstances to address risks to other persons, as determined by a clinician.

Citizenship and immigration status are not relevant; length of stay is not relevant.

Criteria: B23, Health and Disability Services Eligibility Direction 2011

Proof of eligibility:

If there is doubt about whether the Tuberculosis Act 1948; or Health Act 1956 provisions apply in a particular case, it should be determined on the judgment of the Medical Officer of Health.

