## **Important Notice to All Patients**

Dear Valued Patient,

This message is to notify changes to our billing practices **<u>starting 1 Oct</u> <u>2022.</u>** 

After much deliberation and due consideration, <u>we have decided to stop</u> <u>bulk billing on certain visits.</u>

This is because the operational cost of running our practice has been steadily increasing especially in recent times. Though the Medicare subsidy has increased, it's still well below the Consumer Price Index over the last several years. As a result, we are left with no choice other than to introduce "mixed billing". This means aside from the circumstances mentioned below, there will be a gap fee applicable.

However, access to quality health care is our top priority and to that end, we would like to continue providing the best possible care, especially to those most in need.

All procedures will attract a fee as indicated in the reception notice.

Best Regards

Connolly Drive Medical Centre