Private Vehicle Travel for Treatment Arrangements - Benefit Comparison Table

	Current			Trips from 1 July 2026
	VEA	**DRCA**	**MRCA**	
Program Intent	If you have paid to travel to medical appointments, or to get medical evidence, we may reimburse some of the costs. We may also help with the costs of attending any hearings if you have asked us to review a decision	DVA may reimburse you if you had to pay to travel for a medical reason. We may also repay you if you had to travel to, or get evidence for, a Veteran Review Board hearing.		DVA may reimburse you if you had to pay to travel for a medical reason. We may also repay you if you had to travel to, or get evidence for, a Veteran Review Board hearing.
DVA Website link	https://www.dva.gov.au/get-support/health-support/local-or-overseas-medical-care/claim-travel-expenses-under-vea	https://www.dva.gov.au/get-support/health-support/local-or-overseas-medical-care/we-may-repay-your-travel-costs-under-mrca-or-drca		

Program eligibility	- Gold card or
	- White card (where it relates to a service-related condition).
				For all trips from 1 July 2026
				  - Gold Card or
				  - White card (where it relates to a service-related condition)

Paper Claim	✔	✔	✔	✔
MyService Claim	✔	✔	✔	✔
Services				
Accommodation	✔ capital city - $205.20 non- capital - $172.20 *note* : incorporates meals	✔ rates based on commonwealth employee rates	✔ rates based on commonwealth employee rates	✔ rates based on commonwealth employee rates
Meals	✔ Automatic allowance based on distance to appointment for a day trip. >50km $17.20 >200km $34.90	✔ If overnight and based on receipted expenses (capped)	✔ If overnight and based on receipted expenses (capped)	✔ If overnight and based on receipted expenses (capped)
Private Vehicle	✔	✔	✔	✔
$ / km	$0.418 / km	$0.68 / km	$0.68 / km	$0.68 / km
Minimum Distance	✘	minimum total distance 50km	minimum total distance 50km	✘