



# METROPOLITAN MEDICAL SCHEME

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## CLASSIC OPTION: BENEFITS 2008

Please note that once the sub-limits have been reached, only benefits in respect of PMBs will be paid.

NO.	BENEFIT GROUP	% COVER	MAXIMA (per annum)
1.	Statutory PMBs For HIV management, registration is required with the Scheme's chosen provider (tel: 0861 888 300)	100% of cost or UPFS/ Agreed Tariff, as applicable	No limit
2.	Overall Annual Limit		R600 000 per family
3.	Hospitalisation (tel: 0861 888 309) Subject to pre-authorisation prior to admission or within 1 working day in the case of an emergency A penalty of R500 is payable by the member to the service provider failing pre-authorisation (i) Private hospitals (ii) Provincial hospitals (iii) Approved secondary/step-down facilities (iv) Medicines dispensed in hospital (v) In-patient mental illness/substance abuse No benefit for hospital to-take-out medicine	100% of Agreed Tariff 100% of cost/UPFS 100% of Agreed Tariff 100% of SEP plus regulated dispensing fee 100% of Agreed Tariff	Subject to Overall Annual Limit      21 days per beneficiary, subject to Overall Annual Limit
4.	Confinements Subject to pre-authorisation for hospitalisation Benefits are also allowed in terms of home births if assistance is provided by a registered service provider	100% of Scheme Rate	Subject to Overall Annual Limit
5.	GPs and specialists (in hospital) Consultations, visits, operations and procedures	100% of Scheme Rate	Subject to Overall Annual Limit
6.	GPs and medication (out of hospital) (i) GP consultations, procedures and injection material (ii) Acute and self-medication	100% of Scheme Rate  100% of SEP plus regulated dispensing fee	R500 per family
7.	Auxiliary services* (in hospital)	100% of Scheme Rate	Subject to Overall Annual Limit
8.	Chronic medication (Including the cost of immuno-suppressant drugs and medication administered during chemotherapy treatment)	100% of SEP plus regulated dispensing fee	R6 000 per beneficiary, subject to Overall Annual Limit and authorisation by the Scheme's pre-authorisation provider

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9.	Organ transplants and dialysis (Hospitalisation and related costs)	100% of Scheme Rate	R152 200 for total cost per beneficiary, subject to Overall Annual Limit
10.	Internal medical and surgical appliances	100% of cost	Limit of R20 700 per beneficiary except in the following cases where specified limits apply, subject to Overall Annual Limit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partial hip replacement – R16 700</li> <li>• Total hip replacement – R33 200</li> <li>• Knee replacement – R40 200</li> <li>• Spinal fusion – R33 200</li> <li>• Cardiac stents – R18 000 each (max. 3)</li> <li>• Pacemaker – R49 900</li> <li>• Cardiac valves – R27 700 each</li> <li>• Artificial limbs – R26 400</li> <li>• Artificial eyes – R12 400</li> </ul>
11.	Radiology and pathology (in hospital)	100% of Scheme Rate	Subject to Overall Annual Limit
12.	MRI and CT scans (in and out of hospital) (tel: 0861 888 309) Subject to pre-authorisation, as with hospitalisation A penalty of R500 is payable by the member to the service provider failing pre-authorisation	100% of Scheme Rate	Subject to Overall Annual Limit
13.	Radiotherapy and chemotherapy (in and out of hospital)	100% of Scheme Rate	Subject to Overall Annual Limit
14.	Maxillo-facial treatment (in hospital)	100% of Scheme Rate	Subject to Overall Annual Limit
15.	Blood transfusions	100% of cost	Subject to Overall Annual Limit
16.	Ambulance services	100% of Scheme Rate	Subject to Overall Annual Limit

Agreed Tariff = The fees for any healthcare services which are determined by the Board

NHRPL = National Health Reference Price List

PMB = Prescribed Minimum Benefits

Scheme Rate = For 2008, the Scheme Rate is defined as the NHRPL for 2006, plus a 12.35% inflationary increase

SEP = Single Exit Price

UPFS = Uniform Patient Fee Schedule (tariff structure used by provincial hospitals)

\*Auxiliary services (in hospital): Physiotherapy, biokinetics, dietetics, clinical psychology, speech therapy, audiology, occupational therapy, podiatry, orthoptics, social work, acupuncture and chiropractic services