

Request for additional cover for out-of-hospital management of a Prescribed Minimum Benefit condition 2025



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Who we are

Netcare Medical Scheme, registration number 1584, is a non-profit organisation, registered with the Council for Medical Schemes.

Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd (referred to as "the administrator") is a separate company and an authorised financial services provider (registration number 1997/013480/07), which takes care of the administration of your membership of Netcare Medical Scheme.

About this form

This form should be completed when a member needs out-of-hospital treatment that falls outside of the basic level of care provided for in the Prescribed Minimum Benefits.

Please only complete this form if we have already reviewed a request for funding for your condition as a Prescribed Minimum Benefit.

How to complete this form

1. Please use one letter per block, complete in black ink and print clearly.
2. You (the member) must complete section 1 of this form.
3. Your Healthcare professional must complete sections 2 and 3 and include detailed documents to support this application for treatment of a Prescribed Minimum Benefit.
4. Please email this completed and signed form with any supporting documents to PMB_APP@netcaremedicalscheme.co.za.
5. You will receive a letter informing you of our decision and the process you should follow.

1. Patient details (member to complete)

Title	<input type="text"/>	Initials	<input type="text"/>
Surname	<input type="text"/>		
First name(s)	<input type="text"/>		
ID or passport number	<input type="text"/>	Membership number	<input type="text"/>
Telephone (H)	<input type="text"/>	Telephone (W)	<input type="text"/>
Cellphone	<input type="text"/>		
Email	<input type="text"/>		

Member's acceptance and permission

I give permission for my healthcare provider to provide Netcare Medical Scheme and the administrator with my diagnosis and other relevant clinical information required to review my application. I agree to my information being used to develop registries. This means that you give permission for us to collect and record information about your condition and treatment. This data will be analysed, evaluated and used to measure clinical outcomes and make informed funding decisions.

I understand that:

- 1.1. Funding from Prescribed Minimum Benefit is subject to meeting benefit entry criteria as determined by Netcare Medical Scheme and the administrator.
- 1.2. The Prescribed Minimum Benefit provides cover for disease-modifying therapy only, which means that not all medicines for a listed condition are automatically covered by Prescribed Minimum Benefits.
- 1.3. By registering for Prescribed Minimum Benefits, I agree that my condition may be subject to disease management interventions and periodic review and that this may include access to my medical records.
- 1.4. Funding for treatment from Prescribed Minimum Benefit will only be effective from when Netcare Medical Scheme or the administrator receives an application form that is completed in full.
- 1.5. An application form needs to be completed when applying for a newly diagnosed PMB condition.
- 1.6. If you are approved on the benefit, you need to let us know when your treating doctor changes your treatment plan so that we can update your Prescribed Minimum Benefit authorisation/s. You can do this by emailing the new prescription to us at PMB_APP@netcaremedicalscheme.co.za or asking your doctor or pharmacist to do this for you.

1.7. To make sure that we pay your claims from the correct benefit, we need the claims from your healthcare providers to be submitted with the relevant ICD-10 diagnosis code(s). Please ask your doctor to include your ICD-10 diagnosis code(s) on the claims they submit and on the form that they complete when they refer you to the pathologists and/or radiologists for tests. This will enable the pathologists and radiologists to include the relevant ICD-10 diagnosis code(s) on the claims they submit, ensuring that we pay your claims from the correct benefit.

Patient's signature

(If patient is a minor, main member to sign)

Date

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2. Application (healthcare professional to complete)

2.1 Application for out-of-hospital medical treatment

Condition	ICD-10 Code	Consultation or procedure code**	Consultation or procedure description	Quantity required

Please clearly specify what is required, for example consultations, pathology, radiology and/or procedure.

**The professional billing codes must be supplied for us to review the application.

Please attach any relevant supporting documentation, for example pathology tests. If the application is for psychotherapy treatment for members younger than 13 years of age, the scheme will require the latest Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM V) form including the World Health Organisation Disability Assessment Schedule - Children and Youth version (WHODAS-Child) form.

2.2 Application for medicine

Current medicine required (please provide supportive clinical results or information, where necessary)

Condition	ICD-10 code	Medicine name, strength and dosage	How long has the patient used this medicine?	
			Years	Months

2.3. Application for radiology

Condition	ICD-10 code	Procedure code	Procedure description	Quantity required

2.4. Application for pathology

Condition	ICD-10 code	Procedure code	Procedure description	Quantity required

3. Doctor's details (doctor to complete)

Name and surname	<input type="text"/>			
BHF practice number	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Speciality <input type="text"/>
Telephone	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Email	<input type="text"/>			

Notes to Doctor

- 3.1. Please ensure that the relevant ICD-10 diagnosis code(s) are used when you submit your claims to the Scheme to ensure payment from the correct benefit.
- 3.2. Please include the ICD-10 diagnosis code(s) when referring your patient to the pathologists and/or radiologists. This will enable the pathologists and radiologists to include this information on their claims and allow us to comply with legislation by paying Prescribed Minimum Benefits (PMB) claims correctly.
- 3.3. We will approve funding for generic medicine, where available, unless you have indicated otherwise.
- 3.4. Please submit all the requested supporting documents with this application to prevent delays in the review process.
- 3.5. Should you make changes to your patient's treatment plan, you need to let us know so that we can update their PMB authorisation(s). You can do this by emailing the new prescription to us at PMB_APP@netcaremedicalscheme.co.za. If you or your patient do not let us know about changes to the treatment plan, we may not pay claims from the correct benefit.

Doctor's signature

Date