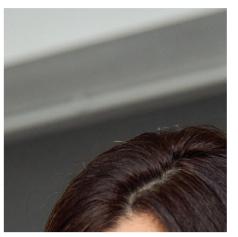
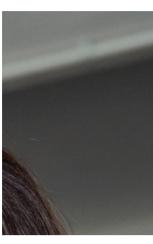
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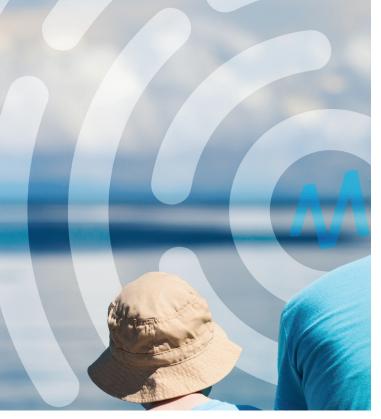






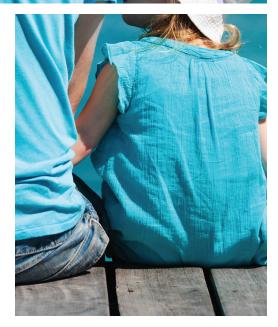


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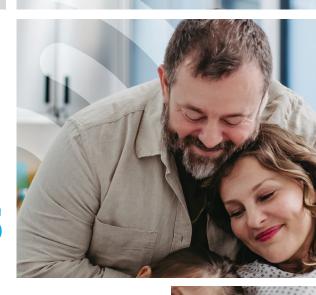
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# Bestmed Important Contact Details



#### **ADVISOR SUPPORT**

Jel: 012 472 7182

Any enquiry may be directed to advisor support services, i.e. benefit confirmation, chronic medicine enquiries, claims enquiries etc

#### **NEW INDIVIDUAL & CORPORATE APPLICATIONS**

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#### LIBERTY APPLICATIONS

#### TRANSNET APPLICATIONS

# ESCALATIONS (OF UNSATISFACTORY FEEDBACK/COMPLAINT OR SERVICE)

#### **CLAIMS**

#### **CHRONIC MEDICINE APPLICATIONS & ENQUIRIES**

J Tel: 086 000 2378

#### **AUTHORISATIONS**

J Tel: 080 022 0106

#### **PMB APPLICATIONS AND ENQUIRIES**

#### **NETCARE 911 EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Jel: 082 911

#### **ONCOLOGY**

#### **DISEASE MANAGEMENT**

#### **MATERNITY CARE**

J Tel: 012 472 6797

#### **OPTOMETRY ENQUIRIES**

www.ppn.co.za

#### **CARD ESCALATIONS (ONLY)**

#### **BESTMED BANKING DETAILS**

Bank: ABSA

Account Number: 610000266

Branch Code: 632005

Reference: Membership Number

#### N ADVISOR PORTAL LINK

https://rb.gy/li2yls

#### ACCREDITATION PORTAL LINK

https://rb.gy/7mcki8

#### **BESTMED LATEST BROCHURES AND FORMS**

https://rb.gy/8tt95m

#### **BUSINESS CONSULTANT CONTACT DETAILS**

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Eastern Cape	Merencia Ellis	076 900 2906	merencia.ellis@bestmed.co.za
Northern Cape	Ruann Britz	071 868 2625	ruann.britz@bestmed.co.za

#### **NEW BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST**

QUERY	NAME	CONTACT	EMAIL
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#### **ADVISOR SALES ADMINISTRATOR**

QUERY	NAME	CONTACT	EMAIL
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Contract Management	Tshepiso Musundwa	012 472 6058	tshepiso.musundwa@bestmed.co.za

# Member application checklist -

To assist in ensuring that your application submitted to Bestmed Medical Scheme is processed as quickly as possible without outstanding requirements, please use the checklist below for a complete application form.

Please ensure applications are submitted with all supporting documents to <a href="mailto:brokerindividual@bestmed.co.za">brokerindividual@bestmed.co.za</a>.

NB: Previous membership certificates with an end date specified are required to calculate late-joiner penalties (LJP) and apply waiting periods. LJPs and waiting periods may be applied if we do not receive proof of previous medical aid history.

New business cut-off dates:	
27 <sup>th</sup> of the current month for Individual members	
10 <sup>th</sup> of the next month for Corporate members	

	Join date, title, full names, ID/Passport number, gender and SARS tax reparticipating employer groups). Page 1	iumber. If	applicable, please provide current employer details (for					
	Benefit option and income bracket (if applicable) indicated with "X". Page	<u>1</u>						
	Healthcare advisor signature, date, name and advisor code (sub-code required, not the brokerage / house code). Page 2							
	Member contact number, email, residential address and postal address	s. Page 2						
	Completed banking and refund details. If "OTHER" please complete req Page 3	uired deta	ails below the account section for SARS legislative requirements.					
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	Complete dependant details. Please specify relationship to principal member. (Pages 4, 5, 6)							
	Partnership and child declaration completed and signed by the principal	al membe	r. Full details of partner and child (where surname differs). Page 6					
	<b>Previous membership history completed.</b> NB: Arrear paying is only allow previous scheme. <b>Page 7</b>	ved for co	ntinuous members who were previously arrear paying with their					
	<b>Medical questionnaire completed in full.</b> Indicate YES or NO for all 26 que treatment date, diagnosed condition, medicine and dosage, nature of treatment date, diagnosed condition, medicine and dosage, nature of treatment date.							
	Member signatures required on pages 3 or 4, 11, 12, 13 and 14. If appli	cable for	Declaration, <b>page 7.</b>					
	HR Details, Signature and Stamp (if applicable - Corporate Application Fo	orm), <b>pag</b>	e 15.					
Attacl	nments that may be required:							
	<b>Previous membership certificates with end date</b> (required to calculate LJP and WP)		<b>Declaration for unemployed overage dependants</b> (older than 24 as adult dependant)					
	Affidavit confirming <b>dependency for extended family dependants</b> (siblings, parents and others approved by the boards)		Proof of income for Rhythm options (most recent 3 month's payslips / bank statements)					
	<b>Report from medical practitioner</b> for handicapped dependant (for adult dependants)		Chronic application form submit to medicine@bestmed.co.za once active					
	Affidavit for <b>previous membership</b> including day/month/year/names of schemes <b>(terminated more than 5 years ago)</b>							

## **Underwriting definitions**

#### **Underwriting categories defined:**

#### New Entry (Category A)

Any person of whom an application is made for membership or admission as a dependant, and who was not a beneficiary of a medical scheme for a period of at least 90 (ninety) days preceding the date of application.

#### **Not Continuous (Category B)**

Any person of whom an application is made for membership or admission as a dependant, and who was previously a beneficiary of a medical scheme for a continuous period of up to 24 (twenty-four) months, terminating less than 90 (ninety) days immediately prior to the date of application.

#### Continuous (Category C)

Any person of whom an application is made for membership or admission as a dependant, and who was previously a beneficiary of a medical scheme for a continuous period of more than 24 (twenty-four) months, terminating less than 90 (ninety) days immediately prior to the date of application.

#### **Underwriting application defined:**

#### Monitoring for possible non-disclosure:

To exclude the possibility of non-disclosure of material information, for the first 12 (twelve) months we will monitor membership for "New Entry" and "Not Continuous" beneficiaries. Please note that if membership is subject to the abovementioned 12-month (twelve-month) monitoring period, the Scheme may request additional medical history upon receiving a claim and/or a request for authorisation. In this case, the Scheme will only confirm benefits once it is satisfied with the additional information received.

#### General waiting period (PMB or No PMB)

Means a period in which a beneficiary is not entitled to claim any benefits for up to 3-months from the join date, either including Prescribed Minimum Benefits (PMBs) or except in respect of any treatment or diagnostic procedures covered within the PMBs.

#### Condition specific waiting period (PMB or non-PMB)

Means a period in which a beneficiary is not entitled to claim any benefits for any pre-existing medical conditions for up to 12-months from the join date, either including Prescribed Minimum Benefits (PMBs) or except in respect of any treatment or diagnostic procedures covered within the PMBs.

#### Late-Joiner Penalty (in terms of Regulation 131 of the Medical Schemes Act [Act 131 of 1998])

Late-joiner penalties are imposed on new members and dependant(s) over the age of 35 years. Depending on the number of years the member and dependant(s) did not belong to a medical scheme, a late joiner penalty will be added to the member / dependant's monthly contribution. The penalty is calculated on a sliding scale, based on the total number of years from the age of 35 years being effective 1 April 2001, where a member / dependant did not belong to a medical scheme. Please refer to the below table:

Number of years since age 35 where applicant was not a member of a medical scheme	Penalty
1 - 4 years	0.05 x risk contribution
5 - 14 years	0.25 x risk contribution
15 - 24 years	0.50 x risk contribution
25+ years	0.75 x risk contribution

# Individual member underwriting flowchart

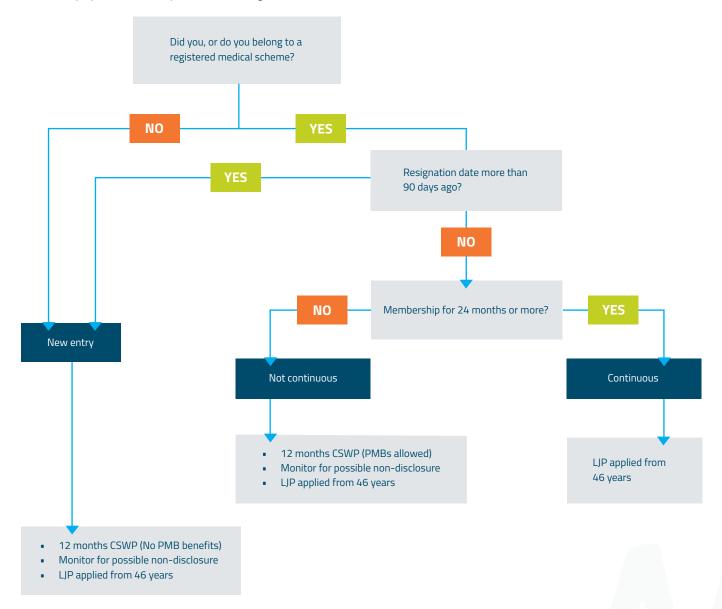






This underwriting flow chart applies to individual members and their immediate family i.e. spouse/partner and children

\*Extended family dependants will be subject to full underwriting.



Bestmed reserves the right to re-evaluate and amend the terms and conditions of this Individual Member Underwriting Policy in accordance with the Medical Schemes Act (No. 131 of 1998).

## Employer group underwriting

All existing employer groups are granted a once-off underwriting concession at the end of the year from 1 October to 31 December to join the Scheme without any underwriting, upon approval by the Board of Trustees of the Scheme.

The underwriting concession is valid for new members from existing schemes who would like to apply to join Bestmed, along with their immediate dependants from the same inception date. Immediate dependants include spouses, partners and children, as defined in the Bestmed Rules. Extended family members will, however, be subject to full underwriting.

The window period does not extend to existing Bestmed members who apply to have their immediate dependants registered with the Scheme. Normal risk underwriting in accordance with Bestmed's Rules will be applicable after the concession period as stipulated in our Risk Underwriting Policy below:

#### Risk free underwriting is applicable to members and immediate family

#### NO underwriting is applicable in any of the below events:

- Member joining within 90 (ninety) days from permanent appointment.
- Joining within 90 (ninety) days from date of marriage.
- Joining within 90 (ninety) days from date of divorce.
- Joining within 90 (ninety) days from compulsory termination of previously recognised scheme.
- Joining child dependant within 90 (ninety) days from registration as a student.
- Joining child dependant within 90 (ninety) days from adoption date or foster care.
- Joining child dependant within 90 (ninety) days from birth (born while membership is active).
- In respect of whom an application is made for membership or admission as a dependant, and who was previously a beneficiary of a medical scheme for a continuous period of more than 24 (twenty-four) months, terminating less than 90 (ninety) days immediately prior to the date of application.

Principal members, adult dependants and child dependants who join after the above events will be subject to the underwriting conditions specified below.

#### a) New entry - Risk underwriting

The Scheme may impose upon a person in respect of whom an application is made for membership or admission as a dependant, and who was not a beneficiary of a medical scheme for a period of at least 90 (ninety) days preceding the date of application.

- A general waiting period of up to 3 (three) months (during this general waiting period no claims will be funded by the Scheme).
- A condition-specific waiting period of up to 12 (twelve) months.
- The Scheme will monitor membership for 12 (twelve) months for possible pre-existing medical conditions, whether or not a condition specific waiting period has been applied.

#### b) Not continuous - Risk underwriting

The Scheme may impose upon any person in respect of whom an application is made for membership or admission as a dependant, and who was previously a beneficiary of a medical scheme for a continuous period of up to 24 (twenty-four) months, terminating less than 90 (ninety) days immediately prior to the date of application:

- A condition-specific waiting period of up to 12 (twelve) months, except in respect of any treatment or diagnostic procedures covered within the Prescribed Minimum Benefits (PMBs).
- The Scheme will monitor membership for 12 (twelve) months for possible pre-existing, medical conditions, whether or not a condition specific waiting period has been applied.
- In respect of any person, contemplated in this sub-rule, where the previous medical scheme had imposed a condition-specific waiting period, and such waiting period had not expired at the time of termination, a condition-specific waiting period for the unexpired duration of such waiting period imposed by the former medical scheme.

#### c) Extended family (parents and siblings)

FULL risk underwriting conditions will be applicable as per the Act including LJPs (in terms of Regulation 131 of the Medical Schemes Act [Act 131 of 1998]).

Bestmed reserves the right to re-evaluate and amend the terms and conditions of this Corporate Member Underwriting Policy in accordance with the Medical Schemes Act (No. 131 of 1998).

For more information regarding the application of underwriting and late-joiner penalties, please refer to the Council for Medical Schemes website: Medical Schemes.co.za

# **Employer group proposition**

#### Trusted medical aid for thousands of employees

Bestmed is the scheme of choice for all types of employer groups across various industries. With our comprehensive service offering, our members at participating employer groups have chosen Bestmed to provide the cover for their medical aid needs. At Bestmed, we accept split-risk arrangements with other schemes to cater to our employers' needs.

#### A Personally Yours service offering

Our employer groups receive only the best ongoing support from a dedicated Key Accounts Consultant, Corporate Membership Consultant and your own Business Consultant. Our services include assisting with Wellness Days via our Tempo wellness programme, conducting inductions and year-end presentations to staff members, regular site visits and employer group reporting.



#### Choose only the BEST for your employer groups!

Speak to your Business Consultant or our New Business Development Specialist today to request a quote or underwriting concession for your employer groups. Register a "Micro Group" with a minimum of 2 employees or a Corporate Group with a minimum of 15 employees.

#### Kindly refer to the Paver Criteria below:

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Description	Micro Groups	Corporate Groups					
Size	Two to fourteen main members	Fifteen members or more					
Underwriting	Member underwriting	Concession free underwriting based on group criteria and demographics and group underwriting after take-on					
Underwriting decision	We may apply 12-month condition-specific waiting periods and later joiner penalties	We may apply full-risk underwriting decisions at the Scheme's discretion					
Collateral	Micro group collateral submission	Corporate group collateral					
Monthly cut-off for processing	27th of previous month for inception on the 1st	10th of current month for inception on the 1st					
Billing	Access to portal to download billing	Access to portal to download billing					
Dedicated billing specialist	Yes	Yes					
Special year-end concession	Not applicable	Applicable as per the Scheme's decision					
Payer application to be completed	Payer application form	Payer application form					

#### What is required:

- **Demographics** (number of employees and their dependants with ages or date of birth and annual / monthly income if applicable for Rhythm options)
- Industry type (Financial Services, Mining, Education etc.)
- Compulsory or voluntary
- Currently covered (Yes or No number of uncovered lives if applicable)
- Subsidy (Yes or No please specify Rand amount or %)
- Split risk (Yes or No please specify which schemes)
- Interested options (e.g. Beat2 and Pace1)

# Why Bestmed?

Reasons to join the Personally Yours scheme.



Expansive provider network of more than 22 000 contracted healthcare providers nationwide!



Child dependant rates up to the age of 24 and pay for only the first 3 children (except Rhythm1).



Up to 16 preventative care benefits that do not utilise your medical savings account.



Maternity benefits leading up to childbirth on all options.



Eight Managed care programmes with the best partners in healthcare, so our members received the best.



Comprehensive Oncology care programme with the largest network of Oncologists in the country - ICON (Independent Clinical Oncology Network).



International medical travel cover on all our options for both leisure and business travel.



**Tempo wellness benefits** across all Bestmed options available for beneficiaries 16 years and older. Do an annual Tempo Lifestyle Screening, visit a Tempo partner biokineticist and/or dietitian, and join our monthly Tempo Wellness Webinars. All the Tempo benefits are available free of charge.



**Chronic medicine and treatment plans** across all Bestmed options for up to **44 chronic conditions** (27 CDL and 17 PMB). Depending on your Bestmed option, up to **29 additional chronic conditions** (non-CDL).









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Terms and conditions apply.

Scheme Rules, funding guidelines, protocols and pre-authorisation are required where applicable. Visit www.bestmed.co.za to view more information.









# Unlock your BEST Self with the Tempo wellness programme

Start by completing your Tempo Lifestyle Screening to unlock your Tempo benefits

#### START HERE

#### **Tempo Lifestyle Screening**

The Tempo Lifestyle Screening is intended for beneficiaries 16 years and older and includes: the Bestmed Tempo lifestyle questionnaire; a blood pressure check, cholesterol check, glucose check, as well as a height and weight check.

#### Where you can do your Tempo Lifestyle Screening:

- A Bestmed-contracted pharmacy (Dis-Chem, Clicks, Van Heerden Pharmacy, Arrie Nel Pharmacy Group, and The Local Choice)
- On-site at participating employer groups
- Various Tempo partner biokineticists
- Online via the Tempo Lifestyle Screening button on the Tempo main page

#### CONTINUE HERE

#### **Physical wellbeing and Nutrition benefits**

- Get 2 x consultations with a Tempo partner biokineticist
- Get 2 x consultations with a Tempo partner dietitian

Find a service provider here.

### AND HERE

#### **Emotional wellbeing**

In addition to the Tempo physical wellbeing and nutrition benefits, you will also have access to Tempo Wellness Webinars hosted throughout the year. The webinars are themed around mental health and emotional wellbeing and various other wellness-related topics.

 $For more information visit \ \underline{https://www.bestmed.co.za/tempo-wellness/tempo-wellness-programme \ \underline{https://www.bestmed.co.za/tempo-wellness/te$ 

# Bestmed 2026 contribution comparison

		BEAT1 N	BEAT1	BEAT2 N	BEAT2	BEAT3 N	ВЕАТ 3	BEAT3 PLUS	BEAT4
Medical Savings Ac	count	r	I/A		16%	1	5%	25%	14%
PRINCIPAL	Risk	R2 269	R2 523	R2 331	R2 591	R3 453	R3 837	R3 781	R6 334
MEMBER	Savings	RO	R0	R444	R493	R609	R677	R1 261	R1 031
	Total	R2 269	R2 523	R2 775	R3 084	R4 062	R4 514	R5 042	R7 365
ADULT	Risk	R1 764	R1 959	R1 811	R2 012	R2 463	R2 737	R2 809	R5 231
DEPENDANT	Savings	RO	R0	R345	R383	R435	R483	R937	R851
	Total	R1 764	R1 959	R2 156	R2 395	R2 898	R3 220	R3 746	R6 082
CHILD	Risk	R956	R1 061	R980	R1 091	R1 219	R1 354	R1 426	R1 566
DEPENDANT	Savings	R0	R0	R187	R208	R215	R239	R476	R255
	Total	R956	R1 061	R1 167	R1 299	R1 434	R1 593	R1 902	R1 821

You pay for a maximum of three children. Any additional children join as beneficiaries on the Scheme at no additional cost.

Recognition of a child dependant

Dependants under the age of 24 years are regarded as child dependants.

		PACE1	PACE2	PACE3	PACE4
Medical Savings Account		19%	14%	14%	3%
PRINCIPAL MEMBER	Risk	R4 807	R7 539	R8 655	R12 195
	Savings	R1 127	R1 227	R1 409	R377
	Total	R5 934	R8 766	R10 064	R12 572
ADULT DEPENDANT	Risk	R3 474	R7 393	R6 967	R12 195
	Savings	R815	R1 203	R1 134	R377
	Total	R4 289	R8 596	R8 101	R12 572
CHILD DEPENDANT	Risk	R1 248	R1 662	R1 489	R2 857
	Savings	R293	R271	R242	R88
	Total	R1 541	R1 933	R1 731	R2 945

You pay for a maximum of three children. Any additional children join as beneficiaries on the Scheme at no additional cost.

Recognition of a child dependant

Dependants under the age of 24 years are regarded as child dependants.

			Rhythm1			Rhythm2	
	Income level	R0 – R9 000 p.m.	R9 001 – R14 000 p.m.	> R14 001 p.m.	R0 – R5 500 p.m.	R5 501 – R8 500 p.m.	> R8 501 p.m.
	Risk	R1 736	R2 024	R3 615	R2 747	R3 300	R3 516
PRINCIPAL MEMBER	Savings	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO
WEWDER	Total	R1 736	R2 024	R3 615	R2 747	R3 300	R3 516
	Risk	R1 736	R2 024	R3 615	R2 610	R3 000	R3 165
ADULT DEPENDANT	Savings	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO
	Total	R1 736	R2 024	R3 615	R2 610	R3 000	R3 165
	Risk	R715	R860	R1 873	R1 653	R1 759	R1 759
CHILD DEPENDANT	Savings	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO
DEFENDANT	Total	R715	R860	R1 873	R1 653	R1 759	R1 759
	Maximum contribution child dependant - N/A				additional children	maximum of three n join as beneficiar t no additional cos	ies on the Scheme
Recognition of a chi	ild dependant	In accordance	ce with the Rules, d	ependants under th	e age of 24 years are	e regarded as child	dependants.

# Preventative care benefits -

BENEFIT	QUANTITY AND FREQUENCY	BENEFIT CRITERIA	BEAT	PACE	RHYTHM
Flu vaccines	1 per beneficiary per year.	Applicable to all active members and beneficiaries.	V	V	V
Pneumonia vaccines	Children: As per schedule of Department of Health. Adults: Twice in a lifetime with booster above 65 years of age.	The Scheme will identify high-risk individuals for immunisation.	V	V	V
Travel vaccines	Quantity and frequency depending on product up to the maximum allowed amount.	Mandatory travel vaccines for typhoid, yellow fever, tetanus, meningitis, hepatitis and cholera from Scheme risk benefits.	*Available on Beat2, Beat3, Beat3 Plus and Beat4	V	V
Paediatric immunisation	According to the Bestmed vaccine schedule.		*Available on Beat2, Beat3. Beat3 Plus and Beat4	V	V
Baby growth and development assessments	3 assessments per year for beneficiaries 0-2 years.	Assessments are done at a Bestmed partner pharmacy clinic.	V	V	V
Oral / injectable / implantable female contraceptives OR Intrauterine device (IUD))	Female contraceptive quantity and frequency dependent on product and subject to maximum amount OR 1 IUD device every 5 years.	Limits per female beneficiary per year apply per benefit option for oral female contraceptives.  IUD funding subject to applicable benefit limits per option.	V	V	V
Glaucoma screening	Beneficiaries 50 years and older. Once every 12 months.	Subject to service being received from the contracted Optometrist Network only.	X	*Available on Pace2, Pace3 and Pace4	X
Mammogram	Females 40 years and older. Once every 24 months.	Scheme tariff applies.	V	V	V
HPV vaccinations	3 vaccinations per beneficiary. Females 9 - 26 years.	Vaccinations funded at MRP.	V	V	*Available on Rhythm2
PSA Screening	Males 45 years and older. Once every 24 months.	Can be done at a urologist or GP. Consultation paid from the available savings/consultation benefit.	V	V	V
Bone densitometry	Beneficiaries 45 years and older. Once every 24 months.		X	*Available on Pace2, Pace3 and Pace4	X
Pap smear	18 years and older. Once every 24 months.	At any gynaecologist or GP. Consultation is paid at Scheme tariff from Scheme risk benefits.	√ *Consultation cost available on Beat4	√ *Consultation cost available	V
Preventative dentistry	Refer to Comparative guide for a full breakdown of benefits per option.	Subject to pre-authorisation, clinical protocols and funding guidelines.	*Available on Beat2, Beat3, Beat3 Plus and Beat4	V	V
Colon cancer screening	40 years and older. Once every 24 months.	Faecal Occult Blood Test (FOBT).	V	V	V

# Preventative care benefits (continued) -

BENEFIT	QUANTITY AND FREQUENCY	BENEFIT CRITERIA	BEAT	PACE	RHYTHM
HIV rapid test	1 per beneficiary per year.	At any DSP pharmacy.	V	V	V

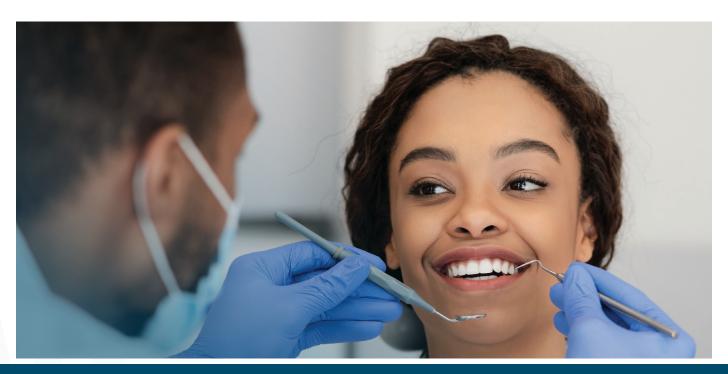
Note: The Rhythm range offers preventative services under the basic dentistry benefit.

Benefits mentioned above may be subject to pre-authorisation, clinical protocols, formularies, funding guidelines and the Mediscor Reference Price (MRP).

# Preventative dentistry benefits

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE	AGE	FREQUENCY	ВЕАТ	PACE	RHYTHM
General full-mouth examination by a general	12 years and above	Once a year	*Available on Beat2, Beat3, Beat3 Plus and Beat4	V	
dentist (incl. gloves and use of sterile equipment for the visit)	Under 12 years	Twice a year	*Available on Beat2, Beat3, Beat3 Plus and Beat4	V	
Full-mouth intra-oral radiographs	All ages	Once every 36 months	*Available on Beat2, Beat3, Beat3 Plus and Beat4	V	Note:
Intra-oral radiographs	All ages	2 photos per year	*Available on Beat2, Beat3, Beat3 Plus and Beat4	V	The Rhythm range offers preventative
Scaling and/or polishing	All ages	Twice a year (i.e. every 6 months from the date of service)	*Available on Beat2, Beat3, Beat3 Plus and Beat4	V	services under the basic dentistry benefit.
Fluoride treatment	All ages	Twice a year (i.e. every 6 months from the date of service)	*Available on Beat2, Beat3, Beat3 Plus and Beat4	V	beneme.
Fissure sealing	Up to and including 21 years	In accordance with accepted protocols	*Available on Beat2, Beat3, Beat3 Plus and Beat4	V	
Space maintainers	During primary and mixed denture stage	Once per space	*Available on Beat2, Beat3, Beat3 Plus and Beat4	V	

 $<sup>\</sup>mbox{*Subject to pre-authorisation, clinical protocols}$  and funding guidelines.



# Paediatric vaccine list (Excluding Beat1 and Beat1N)

Funding for the vaccines listed below will be paid as Preventative Care, which is a Scheme benefit, and will not be paid from the savings or day-to-day benefit, provided that the age limitations set below are adhered to. These vaccines will also be covered as per the registered indications.

AGE GROUPS INDICATED FOR	NAME	DESCRIPTION	NAPPI CODE
<b>0 months to 2 months</b> (maximum 2 injections)	Bivalent Oral Polio Meriuex		722017001
	OPV Merieux 10 Dose		823678008
	OPV Merieux 10 Dose plastic tub	Polio	841307016
	OPV Meriuex 20 Dose Vaccine		823686019
	Polio TD 0.5ml		703335001
<b>0 months to 2 months</b> (maximum 1 injection)	BCG AJV Vaccine	Tuberculosis	872962016
O months to 5 years (Included on Beat1 and Beat1N) (maximum 3 injections)	Prevenar 13 28mcg/0.5ml Prefill Synflorix Vaccine	Pneumococcus	715858001 714999001
1 month to 4 months (maximum 2 injections)	Rotarix Liquid Oral Vaccine Rotateq 2ml Vaccine	Rotavirus	714133001 710935001
1 month to 6 months (maximum 1 injection)	Engerix-B Paed Monodose  Euvax B Vial 20mcg/ml  Euvax B Vial 20mcg/ml  Heberbiovac HB Single Dose 0.5ml  Heberbiovac HB Single Dose 1ml	Hepatitis B	700356001 713048002 715349001 701658001 701659001
		Diptheria	
1 month to 24 months	Tritanrix-hb 0.5ml Single dose	Haemophilus Influenzae Type B Pertussis	700768001
	Tetanus Vaccine Cipla 40iu/0.5ml	Tetanus	3002364001 3002364002
2 months to 6 months	DTP-Merieux Single Dose Syringe Infanrix Pre-filled Syringe 0.5ml	Pertussis	825158001 703994001
	Tetanus Vaccine Cipla 40iu/0.5ml	Tetanus	3002364001 3002364002
		Diptheria	
1 month to 18 months (maximum 4 injections)		Haemophilus Influenzae Type B	
	Hexaxim Pre-filled Syringe	Hepatitis B	719637001
	Infanrix Hexa Vaccine	Pertussis	707285001
		Polio	
			3002364001
	Tetanus Vaccine Cipla 40iu/0.5ml	Tetanus	3002364002

2 months to 5 years	ACT-HIB Flu Single Dose 0.5ml Hiberix Single Dose 0.5ml + Saline	Haemophilus Influenzae Type B	813206006 700767001
6 months to 12 months (maximum 2 injections)	Measles vaccine live attenuated  Measles vaccine Cipla  Measbio Multi-Dose Powder Vial	Measles	720384001 3002554001 722290001
9 months to 12 years	Menactra Vaccine 0.5ml Vial	Meningitis	720708001
12 months to 24 months	Avaxim Prefilled Syringe 80 0.5ml  Avaxim Prefilled Syringe 0.5ml  Havrix Junior Single Dose 0.5ml	Hepatitis A	700513001 848905008 703448001
12 months to 6 years	Onvara 1350 PFU/Vial Varilrix Vial	Chickenpox	723131001 892939001
9 months to 6 years	Measles, mumps & rubella 0.2ml  Morupar Single Dose  Omzyta Vaccine Powder  Priorix Single Dose 0.5ml Prefill	Measles Mumps Rubella	720383001 879452005 724016001 700772001
9 months to 12 years	Priorix Tetra Vial	Chickenpox Measles Mumps Rubella	716550001
1 year to 12 years	Twinrix Vaccine	Hepatitis A and B	706829001
2 years to 12 years	Typherix Pre-Filled Syringe Single Typhim VI 0.5ml Prefilled	Typhoid Fever	703442001 822442019
2 years to 12 years	Dukoral Vaccine	Cholera	703846001
4 years to 12 years	Boostrix Tetra Pre-filled Syringe Adacel Quadra Prefill Syringe Adacel Vial 0.5ml Tetraxim Prefilled Syringe 0.5  Tetanus Vaccine Cipla 40iu/0.5ml	Diptheria Pertussis Polio Tetanus Tetanus	716655001 713229001 3002510001 711258001 3002364001 3002364002
	Boostrix Vaccine Prefilled	Diptheria Pertussis Tetanus	3000689001
7 years to 12 years (maximum 2 injections)	Tetanus Vaccine Cipla 40iu/0.5ml	Tetanus	3002364001 3002364002

# Female contraceptive list ·

All females of child-bearing age qualify for female contraceptives (12 years and older).

#### Benefits are subject to the following:

- Mediscor Reference Price (MRP) MRP is a reference pricing model applicable to all medicines with generic equivalents or biosimilars. MRP sets a maximum reimbursable price for a list of generically similar or biosimilar products with a cost lower than that of the original medicine. If a beneficiary opts to use a medicine that is more expensive than the MRP, the beneficiary will have to pay the difference between the price of the chosen medicine and that of MRP.
- This list is subject to change without notice.

#### **ORAL CONTRACEPTIVE TABLETS (ONE CLAIM EVERY 24 DAYS)**

NAME	NAPPI CODE	NAME	NAPPI CODE
Actordene tabs	3005867001	Melodene tabs	842893008
Biphasil tab	825808006	Mercilon tabs	825972019
Carmadene tabs	3005872001	Merdeza tabs	3006185001
Contrez tabs	3007984001	Microval tabs	826006019
Contrezin tabs	3007983001	Minerva tabs	897311004
Desimar tabs	3005921001	Minesse tabs	879576006
Diane-35 tabs	825859018	Minulette tabs	826014003
Diva-35 tabs	707875001	Mirelle tabs	880418001
Drasira tabs	3005920001	Nessifem tabs	3005891001
Dyolafem tabs	3007504001	Nordette tabs	826030009
Ekuvor 1.5mg tabs	3005437001	Nordiol tabs	826049001
Ella 30mg tabs	3002636001	Norlevo tabs	880612002
Eloine tabs	3001962001	Novynette tabs	723085001
Ermaft 0.75mg tabs	3004529001	Ocaz tabs	3007415001
Ermaft 1.5mg tabs	3004530001	Oralcon tabs	720419001
Escapelle 1.5mg tabs	710109001	Ovral tab	826138004
Estelo 1.5mg tabs	3007553001	Plan B 0.75mg tabs	721167001
Famynor tabs	720417001	Qlaira tabs	716676001
Femilevo 1.5mg tabs	3006780001	Rubaz tabs	3006169001
Femodene ed tabs	825905001	Ruby tabs	716207001
Ginette tabs	897214005	Trigestrel tabs	720420001
Hy-an 30mcg tabs	720418001	Triphasil tabs	825832004
Jarina tabs	3001904001	Vonel 0.75mg tabs	723165001
Levette tabs	721606001	Yade tabs	723652001
Lexilev tabs	3007262001	Yasmin plus tabs	723736001
Leyla tabs	3005428001	Yasmin tabs	700089001
Logynon ed tabs	825956005	Yaz plus tabs	723730001
Marvelon tabs	825964008	Yaz tabs	712856001
Maya tabs	723653001	Ynez tabs	3001912001
Medilevo 1.5mg tabs	3000062001	Zoely 2.5mg/1.5mg tabs	720904001
Medinor 1.5mg tabs	3000741001		

TRANSDERMAL (ONE CLAIM EVERY 28 DAYS)	NAPPI CODE
Evra patches	704091001
VAGINAL RING (ONE CLAIM EVERY 28 DAYS)	NAPPI CODE
Nuvaring vaginal ring	715533001

INJECTABLES (ONE CLAIM EVERY 90 DAYS)	NAPPI CODE
Depo-provera 150mg/ml 1ml vial	718440005
Mytricon 150mg/ml susp for inj	3005353001
Nur-isterate 200mg/ml inj	748552006
Petogen FSK 150mg/ml 1ml vial	780642007

IMPLANTABLE (ONE CLAIM EVERY 36 MONTHS)	NAPPI CODE
Implanon nxt implant (Limited to 1 device every 3 years)	718619001

INTRA-UTERINE DEVICE (ONE CLAIM EVERY 60 MONTHS)	NAPPI CODE
Ball intra-uterine contraceptive device	277898001
Contraceptive device intra-uterine	191107001
Contraceptive device with copper	1015109001
Copper-t premium pack	600290001
Copper-t 380A	438254006
Dalcept c contraceptive device	664354007
Device contraceptive cu.375	527056002
Device cuprocept ccl	549612003
Intra-uterine contraceptive	152454001
Intra-uterine copper device cu	137456002
Intra-uterine device copper t	1053532001
Intra-uterine device cu375	131904001
Intra-uterine copper contraceptive	1009992001
Intra-uterine device postpartum	1163203001
Intra-uterine iud copper Yanae	1123992001
Kyleena 19.5mg iud	3000026001
Mirena kit	852252005
Nova T 380 iud	530671003



# **Managed care** programmes



# Back and neck care programme

#### What is the Back and neck programme?

The back and neck programme's goal is to assist members with chronic back and/or neck pain and to improve the clinical state of the back and/or neck to prevent surgery. Documented Based Care (DBC) and Workability facilities are Bestmed's contracted healthcare providers for this programme.

The principles applied include analysis, correction, and maintenance of the correct body posture as well as stabilisation of the spine. All members are entitled to this benefit, provided they meet the entry criteria. To be considered for the programme, a member must be referred by a medical doctor to visit a DBC Clinic or Workability facility for an evaluation/first assessment to determine if the member has a suitable clinical profile and will benefit from the programme. If the member is considered to qualify for the programme, the doctor will provide a motivation to the Scheme. The member can then send the application to Bestmed for consideration and authorisation.

#### Which Scheme options provide cover under this benefit?

This benefit is available to qualifying members on all the Scheme options. It is available where there are DBC/Workability facilities in the area.

#### How to apply for the benefit?

A member must be referred by a medical doctor to make an appointment at a DBC/Workability facility. A member then needs to visit the DBC/Workability facility and undergo an initial assessment for the clinic to determine if the member is a suitable candidate. The first assessment will be covered by the Scheme if the member qualifies for the programme. If the member does not qualify, the amount of the first assessment will either be payable from available day-to-day benefits/savings or be for the member's own expense. There are also instances where the Scheme could refer a member that is scheduled for surgery, to visit such a facility. These referrals are covered by Bestmed.

Please keep in mind that a full clinical history, including the latest X-rays and other reports are required for the Scheme to evaluate the request. Once the assessment report has been evaluated, the rehabilitation treatment programme may be approved as suggested or declined. Bestmed will confirm the services that will be reimbursed and for which duration the approval is valid. After obtaining pre—authorisation from the Scheme, the healthcare provider will schedule an appointment for the member to start the programme.

It is important to take note that for this programme to have optimum results, the member must adhere to all clinic visits without any interruption.

Visit the <u>Bestmed website</u> for a list of the Designated Service Provider (DSP) facilities available for this programme. For more information contact us via telephone on +27 (0)12 472 6235/6249, or email to <a href="mailto:mhc@bestmed.co.za">mhc@bestmed.co.za</a>.

#### HIV/AIDS care -

Bestmed implemented the HIV/AIDS managed care programme to help members and their dependants living with HIV to remain healthy and to live a productive life. This is done by managing the disease as efficiently as possible. The aim of the programme is to improve the member's quality of life by ensuring that the correct medicines are prescribed (according to the stage of infection).

The treatment programme covered by the Scheme is based on HIV/AIDS funding guidelines and approved treatment depends on the clinical parameters of each individual. The stage of the disease and the results of blood tests determine what treatment will be covered and how often the individual must be followed up. Cover is also provided for mother-to-child transmission in pregnancy and post-exposure prophylaxis.

To qualify for your HIV related prescribed minimum benefits (PMBs) members have to register their condition with Bestmed by calling 086 000 2378 and submitting proof of your diagnosis. Once a HIV/AIDS diagnosis has been confirmed with the Scheme, members can submit a treatment plan from their doctor to Bestmed for approval. In addition to the PMBs, Bestmed also offers an HIV/AIDS managed care programme with LifeSense that members can register for to receive additional support and guidance for living with the condition.

#### **Enrolling on the HIV/AIDS programme**

To register on the HIV/AIDS managed care programme, members simply have to phone the LifeSense Helpline on 086 050 6080. LifeSense will send you an application form, which has to be completed by you or your dependant and the treating doctor.

- The doctor will submit your form to LifeSense together with your blood test results.
- LifeSense will approve a treatment plan based on the information they've received.
- Once enrolled, LifeSense will forward a treatment plan to your doctor.
- The LifeSense disease management case manager will, from this point onwards, keep in regular contact with you. The case manager will give
  assistance and support, and emphasise the importance of using your medicine correctly.
- If you're responding satisfactorily, your medicine will be continued.
- If you're not responding satisfactorily to your treatment, LifeSense will review and make appropriate recommendations to your doctor to change your treatment.
- Any member receiving medicine for TB, or diagnosed with TB, must inform LifeSense about this.

# Dialysis care

Members who require chronic dialysis for end-stage renal disease can register on the dialysis programme. Depending on clinical and other parameters the Scheme will consider funding for peritoneal or haemodialysis. Certain medicines which are used in end-stage renal disease are only covered when the Scheme funding guidelines are met. Bestmed has appointed National Renal Care (NRC) as Designated Service Provider (DSP) for renal dialysis services for its members on all the benefit options.

#### Register to access benefits

Members are required to register for the Dialysis care programme to qualify for additional benefits. To successfully register on the programme, members need to submit a clinical summary of their condition, as set out by their treating doctor. The summary should include the history and ICD-10 codes.

#### Follow these easy steps to register

- 1. Download the chronic dialysis application form from our website (<u>www.bestmed.co.za</u>) and complete all the relevant sections.
- Email the completed form and clinical summary (including the ICD-10 codes) to mhc@bestmed.co.za.
- 3. For enquiries/assistance please contact: 012 472 6235/6249

Kindly refer to the Contact details section, at the back of the guide, for contact details.

#### Alcohol and substance abuse care

Bestmed has contracted with various Designated Service Providers (DSPs) to provide rehabilitation for alcohol and substance abuse. Please note that this benefit is subject to pre-authorisation and will be funded up to a maximum limit or a duration of 21 days whichever is depleted first.

#### Wound care

Specialised wound care therapy, including dressings and negative-pressure wound therapy (NPWT) treatment and related nursing services, are included in Bestmed's Provider Network.

### Stoma care

Bestmed has partnered with Dis-Chem for the supply and distribution of stoma and incontinence care products. Bestmed members who are registered for stoma care receive the following value-added benefits:

- Assistance with obtaining the relevant Scheme authorisation for their stoma products.
- Provided with direct contact details for the supplier's business unit to address all product-related enquiries.
- Provided with a quoting and product sourcing service of the most affordable and cost-effective products as not all stoma and incontinence care needs
  of patients are covered in full by Bestmed.
- Direct submissions of claims to Bestmed to ensure that they don't have to pay cash up front and claim back from the Scheme.
- A delivery service will be provided free of charge.

### Maternity care

Finding out you are pregnant comes with a whole lot of emotions, questions and information. Sometimes just knowing where to start and which information you can trust can be a challenge.

Pregnant members and dependants have access to the Maternity care programme. The programme provides comprehensive information and services and was designed with the needs of expectant parents and their support network in mind.

#### Registration

You need to register on the Bestmed Maternity care programme as soon as you confirmed your pregnancy by means of a pathology test and or scan from your family practitioner or gynaecologist. After registering your information, a consultant will contact you. If your pregnancy is associated with risks the information will be forwarded to Bestmed's case managers who will contact you to help monitor your progress.

#### How to register:

- Send an email to <u>maternity@bestmed.co.za</u> or call us on 012 472 6797.
- Please include the expectant member's contact number and email address, your membership number and your expected delivery date in the email.

Once registered on the Maternity Care Programme, you will receive a confirmation letter indicating all necessary information, including an informative pregnancy book about the stages of pregnancy.

Our third-party service provider, DLA, will be in contact within the next two to three weeks via email requesting you to complete a registration form. Keep an eye on your inbox (including the spam folder) for such an email. Completing this form will ensure you are registered on their database to ensure you receive maternity information, additional support if the pregnancy is identified as a high-risk pregnancy and a gift on behalf of Bestmed towards the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester. DLA will guide you through the process of selecting a gift. The registration form and gift selection form must be returned to DLA directly. The maternity gift will only be sent towards the end of the 2nd trimester.

Registration provides you with access to a 24-hour medical advice line and benefits through each phase of your pregnancy.

#### Please take note of the following important information:

- All enquiries related to claims should be directed to <u>service@bestmed.co.za</u>.
- For hospital delivery pre-authorisations, please contact <u>authorisations@bestmed.co.za</u>.
- To confirm available benefits and for other general enquiries, please contact <a href="mailto:service@bestmed.co.za">service@bestmed.co.za</a>
- To register your newborn baby on the Scheme after delivery, please contact <u>membership@bestmed.co.za</u>

## Oncology care

Bestmed's various healthcare options have specified benefits that define the cover for cancer. These benefits are called oncology benefits. The Bestmed Oncology programme offers coverage for PMB (Prescribed Minimum Benefits) diagnoses and non-PMB diagnoses. Thus all types of cancer are covered under the Bestmed Oncology programme. Bestmed uses protocols, funding guidelines and evidence based medicine principles, to assist in making funding decisions. Review is done on a case by case basis - each member is important to us and Bestmed provides special attention to each request received.

#### Registration on the Oncology Programme and summary of benefits with registration

To register members diagnosed with cancer on the Oncology programme, they need to forward a clinical summary and histology of their cancer, as set out by their treating doctor. This must contain the clinical history, ICD-10 codes, the clinical findings of the doctor; as well as the test results confirming the specific type of cancer.

This registration process results in extensive benefits authorised and allocated to the member.

#### These benefits include:

- tariffs claimed by the treating doctor and facility (includes consultations, administration and facility)
- chemotherapy according to the type of cancer subject to pre-authorisation
- radiotherapy according to the type of cancer subject to pre-authorisation
- implantable cancer treatments for example brachytherapy in prostate cancer
- supportive hardware and consumables (like drip bags, pumps and intra-venous (IV) solutions used during the administration of the chemotherapy)
- supportive medicine given for symptomatic treatment of side-effects
- pathology tests
- pain medicine
- radiology which includes clinically appropriate scans for the specific cancer: which includes CT, MRI and PET scans, ultrasound, bone scans, scopes and other specialised scans.

#### **Oncology benefits**

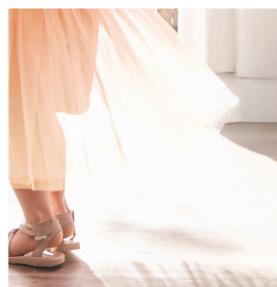
Options	Extended benefit	Standard benefit
	-	Rhythm1 & Rhythm2
	Pace3	
	Pace4	Beat1 & Beat1N
	-	Beat2 & Beat2N
	-	Beat3 & Beat3N
	-	Beat3 Plus
	-	Beat4
	-	Pace1
	-	Pace2
Providers	Make use of ICON as the DSP	
Protocols/formularies	Essential (all options) Core and Enhanced (Pace3 and Pace4)	
Registration on oncology programme	Only approved treatment would qualify oncology benefit	for the
	ICON network has to be used	
	Evidence-based medicine principles are	applied
	Registered indication/s of medicines at the SAHPRA are taken into account	
	Medicines reimbursed at MRP	

Biological and other high-cost medicine limits per option		
RHYTHM range, BEAT range and PACE1	No benefit available, except where treatment is PMB level of care for a specific cancer and its stage.	
Pace2	Benefit of R210 208 per beneficiary, subject to pre-authorisation. Additional benefit available where treatment is PMB level of care for a specific cancer and its stage.	
Pace3	Benefit of R420 695 per beneficiary, subject to pre-authorisation. Additional benefit available where treatment is PMB level of care for a specific cancer and its stage.	
Pace4	Biological and other high-cost medicine benefit of R622 628 per beneficiary, subject to pre-authorisation. Additional benefit available where treatment is PMB level of care for a specific cancer and its stage.	

 $ICON = Independent\ Clinical\ Oncology\ Network, SAHPRA = South\ African\ Health\ Products\ Regulatory\ Authority,\ MRP = Mediscor\ Reference\ Price.$ 



# International medical travel cover



#### What does the International Travel Policy Cover?

The benefit covers you and your family for Medical Emergencies when you travel outside of South Africa.

The International travel insurance for Emergency Medical Conditions covers unforeseen and unexpected illnesses or accidental injuries (includes pre-existing medical conditions up to R250 000).

The cover provided is not a comprehensive medical scheme option and does not cover medical procedures that can be done in South Africa.

#### What is the benefit limit?

#### Holiday travel: emergency medical & expenses

Limited to 90 days and R5 000 000 per family, i.e. members and dependants. Limited to R1 000 000 per family for travel to the USA.

#### Business travel: emergency medical & expenses

Limited to 60 days and R5 000 000 per family, i.e. members and dependants. Limited to R1 000 000 per family for travel to the USA.

#### What is covered?

- Emergency medical and related expenses
- Hospitalisation: outpatient and in-patient
- Emergency optical and dental expenses
- Medical repatriation, evacuation and transportation

Limits, excesses, terms and conditions apply. These are outlined in the policy wording and documents, which you will receive once you have registered with Europ Assistance.

#### What is not covered (excluded)?

- Vaccines
- Traveling on a one-way airline ticket
- Cover for winter sports, adventure, and/or hazardous activities
- Cover not activated before you leave South Africa
- A child born whilst on the journey
- Treatment that the medical advisors are aware of will arise during the international journey or where a medical advisor has advised against travel
- Investigatory treatment that is not specified by the medical practitioner appointed by the insurer as immediately necessary
- Elective surgery, procedures or medical appointments, and travel specifically to obtain treatment abroad
- The benefits will not cover you if you intend to emigrate
- Expenses incurred in obtaining or replacing medication
- Additional costs arising from single or private room accommodation
- Treatment of services provided by a health spa, convalescent or nursing home, or any rehabilitation centre unless agreed by the Emergency Assistance Service
- Any costs incurred by you to visit another person in hospital
- Any expenses incurred after you have returned to your home
- Any expenses incurred after the date we exercise our rights under this section to move you from one hospital to another and/or arrange your repatriation, but you decide not to be moved or repatriated
- Business travel undertaking manual labour

#### How to make sure you are covered before your departure

Call 0861 838 333 or email <u>bestmed-assist@linkham.com</u> to activate the international travel benefit when you are planning to travel out of the country. To be eligible to receive the benefits included in the international travel insurance policy, your premiums must be up to date and the travel insurance policy must be issued before your date of departure from the country of residence.

Please note that the turnaround time for receipt of the policy document is 24 business hours. Please read the policy document carefully to ensure that you understand all the terms and conditions.

#### What information is required when requesting cover for an international trip?

- Member medical aid and plan
- Membership number
- Full names and surname as reflected in the passport
- ID number
- Contact numbers
- Departure date and date of arrival back in South Africa
- Destinations
- Are you traveling for business or leisure?
- Will you be participating in any hazardous pursuits of adventure sports?
- Do you have any pre-existing conditions?
- Email address to where the policy should be emailed
- Physical Address
- Credit card used to purchase an airline ticket

#### If you require emergency assistance abroad

Emergency medical assistance is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Call +27 (11) 991 8055, WhatsApp +27 83 676 0411 or email <u>assist@europassistance.co.za</u>. as soon as possible if you need assistance. Reverse call charges are also accepted.

#### What must you do?

- Read the Policy Wording and Schedule of Benefits to familiarise yourself with what is covered and not covered
- Obtain your family's travel insurance policies before they leave on the trip
- Be fit and healthy to travel

In the event of an incident, it is your duty to contact the Emergency Assistance Services.

All hospital admissions, treatment and/or medical care need to be pre-authorised by Europ Assistance via telephone on +27 (11) 991 8055, WhatsApp +27 83 676 0411 or email <a href="mailto:assist@europassistance.co.za">assist@europassistance.co.za</a>. Should pre-authorisation not have been obtained from Europ Assistance, they reserve the right to refuse reimbursement of your claim.







# The Bestmed advisor online experience



# Use your online profile to get access to:

- Update Contact and FAIS Information
- Updated Brokerage Details (House Code login)
- View employer group details
- Search for your members
- View member information, claims, authorisations, premiums, payment history, communication and benefits
- View your correspondence
- Submit and view Online Applications for individual members
- Search for Network Providers
- Use our Mediscor search for chronic medicine formulary and copayment enquiries

- Step 1: Visit the Bestmed website at www.bestmed.co.za
- **Step 2:** Click on the login icon on the top-right of your screen
- Step 3: Click on the "Advisor login" and click "Go to Login >"
- Step 4: A new window will open. If you have never registered a profile, click on "New user" or enter your user name and password to sign in
- Step 5: If you are a new user you will need to enter your 4 or 5 digit advisor sub-code
- Step 6: You will be asked to select your preferred verification method (SMS / email)
- Step 7: Once you have completed all the required fields you will receive a verification code. You will need to return to the login screen to verify your profile
- Step 8: Once the verification process is complete you can log on with your username and password

#### Important Information:

House code access on the Advisor Portal will not include online applications as the membership must be linked to a registered healthcare advisor. The house code access will also show all advisor sub-codes linked to the brokerage and their members.

You may register more than one user for a house code / sub-code to allow access for consultants or administrators to your Advisor Portal without sharing your username/password.

NB: Due to POPIA, we cannot access or reset your password for you. Please use the "Forgot your Password?" link to follow the prompts. Always use the email and cell number we have on your Bestmed profile to receive your OTP when attempting to reset your password. If your contact details have changed, please send a request to your Business Consultant (BC).

If you have forgotten your username, please ask your BC or register a new login.

#### Advisor Portal main page

Once you've logged in, you will find your profile information where you can update your details or your FAIS information. This main page will give you access to various tabs at the top to view your employers, members, correspondence, submit online applications, search for providers, change your profile on the settings tab, or link to the Mediscor website for chronic medicine search.

#### Members page

Here you can search through a list of your members using various parameters (employer, option, membership number, surname, ID number or even if they have been suspended). Click on the magnifying glass for a particular member and you will be taken to the Member details page.

#### Member details page

This page allows you to find an overview of your member's profile, including dependant information, contributions, savings, claims history, authorisations, payment history, correspondence and benefits available.

#### How to navigate the Advisor Portal



https://rb.gy/fw5rld

#### How to complete an online application



https://rb.gy/qw483s

# How to download the Bestmed App







#### Step 1: Visit the app store on your phone and search for the "Bestmed" App



Step 2: Download and



#### Step 3:

Register if you are a new user

#### Step 4:

Log in if you have already created an account







#### Step 5: Lets explore the main menu of the



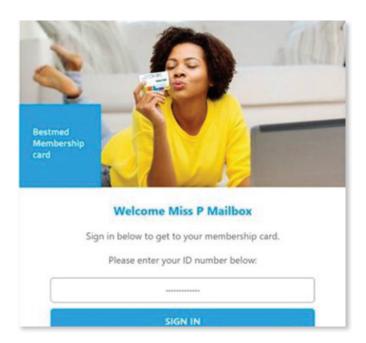


- INFO FEED covers all communications.
- **INTERACTIVE MEMBER CARD** is a digital copy of your membership card.
- BENEFITS + SAVINGS gives you all the information for those areas.
- **SELF SERVICE** gives you access to all the items which you can action yourself.
- **NETWORK PROVIDER SEARCH** lets you find a doctor or pharmacy or whichever healthcare provider you are looking for.
- SUBMIT A CLAIM / DOCUMENT lets you submit claims, right from your doctors office, with a photograph.
- CONTACT US puts you in touch with one of our Client Relationship Consultants.
- **PROFILE** gives you access to view or update your contact details.

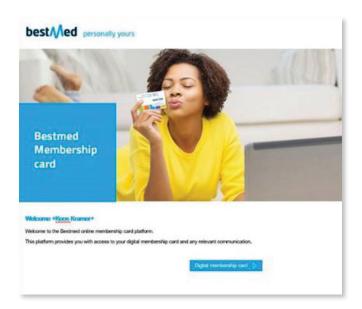
# Switch to Bestmed's digital membership card

To assist our members with queries about their digital membership cards, here's a quick reminder of the communication distributed via email and SMS to members. This included a link to the online membership card platform.

Members only need to click on the link and log in with their ID or passport number.



Once successfully logged in, the member is welcomed to the membership card platform and can then follow the instructions on the page.



Members have access to their digital card and related communication, all of which can be downloaded. Going forward, no physical membership cards will be posted. This enables us to reduce our carbon footprint and

paper usage, and to limit expenditure and resource allocation to services and offerings that do not add value to membership with the Scheme. Below is an example of what the screen will look like to a new member.



Members can also download their digital membership card to their smartphone or PC via the Bestmed App, to use anytime and anywhere just like a physical membership card. In other words, when a member is asked to present their Bestmed membership card, they can present the digital copy on their phone to their service provider. Bestmed's service providers are aware of the transition to digital membership cards as primary proof of membership, and will all gladly accept the Bestmed digital membership card. Members can also print it out if they prefer to have a printed copy at hand.

Principal members can also share the membership card with their dependants or service provider via SMS, email, WhatsApp or Telegram.

Should a member have no way to access and use a digital membership card, they can request a physical membership card at Bestmed Head Office, any of our Regional Offices, or via their appointed medical advisor (should they have one) or Key Accounts Consultant.

Members can also request a physical membership card by phoning our Call Centre on 086 000 2378, or contacting us via our WhatsApp support number on 068 376 7212.

Thank you for your *Personally Yours* assistance in encouraging our members to access their digital membership card.

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# Contact details

#### **CLIENT SERVICES**

Tel: +27 (0)86 000 2378 Email: service@bestmed.co.za

#### **HIV/AIDS CARE PROGRAMME**

Tel: +27 (0)86 000 2378 request x3333

Email: mhc@bestmed.co.za

# BESTMED HIV/AIDS MANAGED CARE ORGANISATION

**LIFESENSE** 

Tel: +27 (0)86 050 6080 Email:enquiry@lifesensedm.com

#### **BESTMED DSP PHARMACIES**

Please refer to the Bestmed website, www.bestmed.co.za, for network pharmacies in your area.

#### **ONCOLOGY CARE PROGRAMME**

Tel: +27 (0)86 000 2378 request x3333 Email: oncology@bestmed.co.za

#### **COMPLAINTS**

Tel: +27 (0)86 000 2378

Email: escalations@bestmed.co.za (Subject box: Manager, escalated query) Postal address:

PO Box 2297,

Pretoria, Gauteng, 0001

#### **CMS ESCALATIONS**

Should an issue remain unresolved with the Scheme, members can escalate to the Council for Medical Schemes (CMS) Registrar's office:

Fax Complaints: 086 673 2466.

Email Complaints: complaints@medicalschemes.co.za

Postal Address:

Private Bag X34, Hatfield, 0028

Physical Address:

Block A, Eco Glades 2 Office Park, 420 Witch-Hazel Avenue, Eco Park, Centurion, 0157

#### **REGIONAL OFFICES**

#### Pretoria (Head Office)

Tel: +27 (0)86 000 2378 Email: service@bestmed.co.za Glenfield Office Park, 361 Oberon Avenue, Faerie Glen, Pretoria, 0081

#### Cape Town

Tel: +27 (0)21 202 8808 Email: service@bestmed.co.za Belvedere Office Park Suite GE003, Portion Ground Floor Block E, Bella Rosa Street Bellville, Cape Town, 7550

#### **Durban**

Tel: +27 (0)31 279 5420 Email: service@bestmed.co.za Unit 8, Office 1, Pencarrow Park, Pencarrow Crescent, La Lucia Ridge, 4051

#### Ggeberha (Port Elizabeth)

Tel: +27 (0)41 363 8921 Email: service@bestmed.co.za 142 Cape Road, Mill Park, Gqeberha, 6001

#### Nelspruit

Tel: +27 (0)13 101 0280 Email: service@bestmed.co.za Crossing Office Block, Level 1, Block E, Crossing Shopping Centre, Nelspruit, 1200.

#### **Polokwane**

Tel: +27 (0)86 000 2378 Email: service@bestmed.co.za Unit 3 Tobara Place, 9 Watermelon Street, Platinum Park, Bendor, Polokwane, 0699



#### **HOSPITAL AUTHORISATION**

Tel: 080 022 0106

Email: authorisations@bestmed.co.za

#### **CHRONIC MEDICINE**

Tel: 086 000 2378

Email: medicine@bestmed.co.za

#### **CLAIMS**

Tel: 086 000 2378

Email: service@bestmed.co.za (queries) claims@bestmed.co.za (claim submissions)

#### **MATERNITY CARE**

Tel: 012 472 6797

Email: maternity@bestmed.co.za

#### **WALK-IN FACILITY**

Block A. Glenfield Office Park. 361 Oberon Avenue, Faerie Glen, Pretoria, 0081, South Africa

#### **POSTAL ADDRESS**

PO Box 2297, Arcadia, Pretoria, 0001, South Africa

#### **NETCARE 911**

Tel: 082 911

Email: customer.service@netcare.co.za (queries)

#### INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL TRAVEL **INSURANCE** (EUROP ASSISTANCE)

Tel: 0861 838 333 Claims and emergencies: assist@ europassistance.co.za Travel registrations: bestmed-assist@ linkham.com

#### **PMB**

Tel: 086 000 2378

Email: pmb@bestmed.co.za

#### **BESTMED HOTLINE, OPERATED BY KPMG**

Should you be aware of any fraudulent, corrupt or unethical practices involving Bestmed, members, service providers or employees, please report this anonymously to KPMG.

**Hotline:** 080 111 0210 toll-free from any Telkom line

080 020 0796 **Hotfax:** Hotmail: fraud@kpmg.co.za

Postal: KPMG Hotpost, at BNT 371,

PO Box 14671, Sinoville, 0129, South Africa



086 000 2378



service@bestmed.co.za



068 376 7212



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