Circular 69 of 2017: Adjustment to fees payable to Brokers with effect from 1 January 2018

The Council for Medical Schemes (CMS) hereby confirms that the Minister of Health, Dr Aaron Motsoaledi, has approved an increase to the maximum amount payable to brokers in terms of Section 65 of the Medical Schemes Act, 131 of 1998 to R90.00 plus value added tax (VAT).

Government Gazette No 41244 incorporating Government Notice No. 1253 dated 10 November 2017 is appended hereto for your information. The effective date of implementation in respect of contributions received by medical schemes is 1 January 2018 and beyond.

Regulation 28(2) published in terms of the Medical Schemes Act, now effectively reads as follows:

“Subject to sub-regulation (3), the maximum amount payable to a broker by a medical scheme in respect of the introduction of a member to a medical scheme by that broker and the provision of ongoing service or advice to that member, shall not exceed –

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(a)  R90.00, plus value added tax (VAT) per month, or such other monthly amount as the Minister shall determine annually in the Government Gazette, taking into consideration the rate of normal inflation; or

(b)  3% plus value added tax (VAT) of the contributions payable in respect of that member, whichever is the lesser.”

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GOVERNMENT NOTICES

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

NO. 1253

MEDICAL SCHEMES ACT, 1998 (ACT NO 131 OF 1998)
ADJUSTMENT TO FEES PAYABLE TO BROKERS

The Minister of Health has, in terms of section 65 of the Medical Schemes Act, 1998 (Act No. 131 of 1998) ("the Act"), read with Regulation 28(2)(a) of the Regulations in terms of the Medical Schemes Act, as amended, determined R90,00 plus Value Added Tax (VAT) as an amount that is payable by medical schemes to brokers with effect from 1 January 2018.

DR A. MOTSOALEDI, MP
MINISTER OF HEALTH
DATE: 25/10/2017