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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**NOTICE 251 OF 2021****IMPOSITION OF LEVIES ON MEDICAL SCHEMES ISSUED IN
TERMS OF SECTION 2 OF THE COUNCIL FOR MEDICAL
SCHEMES LEVIES ACT (ACT 58 OF 2000)**

The Council for Medical Schemes referred to in Section 1 of the Council for Medical Schemes Levies Act, 2000 (Act No. 58 of 2000), after consultation with the Minister of Health, hereby confirms the imposition of levies on medical schemes.

The notice on the imposition of levies in the government gazette dated 13 March 2020 (no. 43090) notified that once approval has been received for the new levy, the Council for Medical Scheme will make adjustment to the levy already levied to schemes. The above gazette imposed a levy of **R38.67** and the new approved levy is **R40.41**. CMS now imposes a levy amount of **R1.74** being an adjustment to the levy published in the above gazette.

By order of the Council for Medical Schemes



Dr M Makiwane

Chairperson: Council for Medical Schemes

30 April 2021

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In this notice, unless the context indicates otherwise –
 - i. “Council” means the Council for Medical Schemes referred to in the Act;
 - ii. “Levy year” means the period from **01 April 2020 to 31 March 2021** and, subject to the provision of this Notice and any amendments, substitution or repeal thereof, such corresponding period in succeeding year in respect of which levies are imposed;
 - iii. “Registrar” means the Registrar of Medical Schemes, appointed in terms of Section 18 of the Medical Schemes Levies Act, 1998 (Act No. 131 of 1998);
 - iv. “The Act” means the Council for Medical Schemes Levies Act, 2000 (Act No. 58 of 2000).

Imposition

2. In respect of a medical scheme registered in terms of section 20 of the Medical Schemes Act, 1998 (Act No. 131 of 1998), the adjusted levy is an amount of **R1.74** per member per year, which shall be paid no later than 31 May 2021. Invoices to schemes will be adjusted accordingly for this payment.
3. In respect of the levy year, the number of members referred to in item 2 shall correspond with the membership as **at 31 December 2020**.

Payment/Interest on overdue Levies

4. On amounts of overdue levies, interest will be charged at a rate applicable to a debt owing to the state, as determined by the Minister of Finance in terms of section 80(1) (b) of the Public Finance Management Act.
5. The levies and interest (if any) referred to in this Notice shall be paid by a medical scheme directly in the bank account of the Council, the details of which are:

Bank : ABSA
Account Holder : Council for Medical Schemes
Branch Name : ABSA Corporate Branch

Branch Code : 517 245

Account Number : 405 116 3394

6. A deposit advice slip issued by the aforementioned Bank in respect of a deposit contemplated in item 5, received by the Council for Medical Schemes, and bearing the name of the relevant medical scheme, shall serve as *prima facie* proof of payment of a levy.

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