

Annexure

**BONITAS MEDICAL FUND
DOCTOR NETWORK ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2024****1. Application**

The arrangements set out in this annexure are applicable to all the Options other than the BonCap , BonStart and BonStart Plus Options of the Bonitas Medical Fund during the 2024 calendar year.

2. Conditions of Participation

To participate in this Scheme specific arrangement the Participating Doctor agrees to the following:

- 2.1 To adhere to the terms of the main Medscheme IPA Doctor Network Agreement to which this is an Annexure; and
- 2.2 To function as an appointed designated service provider (DSP) as defined in the Act for purposes of this Annexure; and
- 2.3 To charge for the Relevant Health Services rendered in terms of the Defined Medical Benefits at the Scheme Rate and not to levy co-payments. Any additional performance based reimbursement as specified in clause 3 below will be allocated to the Practice automatically by Medscheme and must not be billed as part of the consultation fee; and
- 2.4 A quarterly review of the performance of his / her practice; and
- 2.5 To actively participate in risk management initiatives such as disease management programmes by applying agreed best practice clinical guidelines to Members. This will be applicable to acute and chronic diseases. In addition, to support risk management initiatives such as coordination of care, beneficiary risk management and the implementation of the FP (Participating Doctor) pathology request form; and
- 2.6 To adhere to the use of agreed formularies, i.e. medicines, pathology and radiology; and
- 2.7 To support Bonitas Members who are required to nominate a Network Family Practitioner (Participating Doctor) of choice with the relevant information as required by the nomination process; and
- 2.8 To use best endeavours to refer a Member to a Network Medical Specialist (where applicable) only once an automatic authorisation number has been obtained from Medscheme prior to the referral; and
- 2.9 To abide to the Scheme's claims submission processes by providing correct ICD10 coding and submit all claims lines despite payment of a fixed fee; and
- 2.10 To consent to having his / her practice listed in a database that is accessible to Beneficiaries; and
- 2.11 To confirm that he/she has not been found guilty of a legal transgression in his/her professional capacity nor that he/she is under investigation by the Medscheme special investigation unit; and
- 2.12 To agree to be subject to a peer management process where applicable. This to be performed by a central peer management committee as utilised by the Medscheme IPA Doctor Network.

3. Reimbursement of Participating Doctors

Participating Doctors will receive additional performance based reimbursement based on their categorisation according to REPI². The categorisation will be updated quarterly and changes in categories will be communicated to Participating Doctors. The following will be applied based on the REPI² review:

- 3.1 REPI² Category 1 Participating Doctors will be paid at the Scheme Rate plus R58.30
- 3.2 REPI² Category 2 Participating Doctors will be paid at the Scheme Rate plus R29.20
- 3.3 REPI² Category 3 Participating Doctors will be paid at the Scheme Rate.

4. Supporting Interventions

The following supporting interventions will be provided by Medscheme:

Practice Number: ► Practice Name: ► Initial here: ►

4.1 Clinical Guidelines / Protocols

All Participating Doctors will be provided with simple evidence based clinical guidelines that will support the Doctor in managing patients enrolled on risk management programmes. These guidelines will focus on the evidence based management of chronic disease within the context of the Scheme's benefit design.

4.2 Information sharing with Participating Doctors

Participating Doctors will receive regular reports of their patients enrolled on risk management programmes; which will inform them of their progress in terms of the above model.

4.3 Beneficiary care interventions

A number of educational Beneficiary interventions will be initiated that will support the network model. These Beneficiary interventions are part of the risk management programmes that Medscheme renders to the Scheme.

5. **Proviso**

From time to time it may be necessary to make minor changes to the methodology in this arrangement. Unless these changes have a material effect on the outcome of this arrangement Medscheme reserves the right to make these changes without necessarily adding an addendum to this Agreement.

Practice Name.....

Signature.....

Date.....