Discovery Health Medical Scheme provides health plans that are as unique as you are. Seamless, personalised, connected health cover to protect you and those that you care for most, at every stage of your life.

Read this guide to understand how your chosen health plan works including:

- What to do when you need to go to a doctor or to a hospital
- The preventative screening, medical conditions and treatments that we cover
- The payment rules for medicine and other treatments
- Which benefits you need to apply for and if there are any limits for certain benefits
- The medical conditions and treatments that we do not cover
- Tips for you to conveniently manage and access all the information for your chosen health plan using the Discovery app and website

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The Chronic Illness Benefit (CIB) covers you for a defined list of chronic conditions. You need to apply to have your medicine and treatment covered for your chronic condition.

**CHRONIC DISEASE LIST (CDL)**
A defined list of chronic conditions we cover according to the Prescribed Minimum Benefits (PMBs).

**CHRONIC DRUG AMOUNT (CDA)**
We pay up to a monthly amount for each chronic medicine class. This applies to chronic medicine that is not listed on the formulary or medicine list.

**CO-PAYMENT**
This is an amount that you need to pay towards a healthcare service. The amount can vary by the type of covered healthcare service, place of service, the age of the patient or if the amount the service provider charges is higher than the rate we cover. If the co-payment amount is higher than the amount charged for the healthcare service, you will have to pay for the cost of the healthcare service.

**COVER**
Cover refers to the benefits you have access to and how we pay for these healthcare services such as consultations, medicine and hospitals, on your health plan.

**DEDUCTIBLE**
This is the amount that you must pay upfront to the hospital or day clinic for specific treatments/procedures or if you use a facility outside of the network. If the upfront amount is higher than the amount charged for the healthcare service, you will have to pay for the cost of the healthcare service.

**DESIGNATED SERVICE PROVIDER (DSP)**
A healthcare provider (for example doctor, specialist, pharmacist or hospital) who we have an agreement with to provide treatment or services at a contracted rate. Visit [www.discovery.co.za](http://www.discovery.co.za) or click on Find a healthcare provider on the Discovery app to view the full list of DSPs.

**DISCOVERY HEALTH RATE (DHR)**
This is a rate we pay for healthcare services from hospitals, pharmacies, healthcare professionals and other providers of relevant health services.

**DISCOVERY HEALTH RATE FOR MEDICINE**
This is the rate we pay for medicine. It is the Single Exit Price of medicine plus the relevant dispensing fee.

**DISCOVERY HOME CARE**
Discovery Home Care is an additional service that offers you quality home-based care in the comfort of your home for healthcare services like IV infusions, wound care, post-natal care and advanced illness care.

**DISCOVERY MEDXPRESS**
Discovery MedXpress is a convenient and cost-effective medicine ordering and delivery service for your monthly chronic medicine, or you can choose to collect your medicine in-store at a MedXpress Network Pharmacy.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL CONDITION**
An emergency medical condition, also referred to as an emergency, is the sudden and, at the time unexpected onset of a health condition that requires immediate medical and surgical treatment, where failure to provide medical or surgical treatment would result in serious impairment to bodily functions or serious dysfunction of a bodily organ or part or would place the person's life in serious jeopardy.

An emergency does not necessarily require a hospital admission. We may ask you for additional information to confirm the emergency.
F FIND A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER
Find a healthcare provider is a medical and provider search tool which is available on the Discovery app and website www.discovery.co.za.

H HEALTHID
HealthID is an online digital platform that gives your doctor fast, up-to-date access to your health information. Once you have given consent, your doctor can use HealthID to access your medical history, make referrals to other healthcare professionals and check your relevant test results.

M MEDICINE LIST (FORMULARY)
A list of medicine we cover in full for the treatment of approved chronic condition(s). This list is also known as a formulary.

N NETWORKS
Depending on your chosen plan, you may need to make use of specific hospitals, pharmacies, doctors or specialists in a network. We have payment arrangements with these providers to ensure you get access to quality care at an affordable cost. By using network providers, you can avoid having to pay additional costs and co-payments yourself.

P PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS
The Scheme has payment arrangements with various healthcare professionals and providers that to ensure you can get full cover with no co-payments.

PREMIER PLUS GP
A Premier Plus GP is a network GP who has contracted with us to provide you with high quality healthcare for defined chronic conditions.

PRESCRIBED MINIMUM BENEFITS (PMB)
In terms of the Medical Schemes Act of 1998 (Act No. 131 of 1998) and its Regulations, all medical schemes have to cover the costs related to the diagnosis, treatment and care of:

- An emergency medical condition
- A defined list of 270 diagnoses
- A defined list of 27 chronic conditions.

To access Prescribed Minimum Benefits, there are rules defined by the Council for Medical Schemes (CMS) that apply:

- Your medical condition must qualify for cover and be part of the defined list of Prescribed Minimum Benefit conditions
- The treatment needed must match the treatments in the defined benefits
- You must use Designated Service Providers (DSPs) in our network. This does not apply in emergencies. Where appropriate and according to the rules of the Scheme, you may be transferred to a hospital or other service providers in our network, once your condition has stabilised. If you do not use a DSP we will pay up to 80% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR). You will be responsible for the difference between what we pay and the actual cost of your treatment.
- If your treatment doesn’t meet the above criteria, we will pay according to your plan benefits.

R RELATED ACCOUNTS
Any account other than the hospital account for in-hospital care. This could include the accounts for the admitting doctor, anaesthetist and any approved healthcare expenses like radiology or pathology.

W WHO GLOBAL OUTBREAK BENEFIT
The WHO Global Outbreak Benefit provides cover for global disease outbreaks recognised by the World Health Organization (WHO) such as COVID-19. This benefit offers cover for out-of-hospital management and appropriate supportive treatment during the outbreak period.
There are five Core plan options:

- Classic Core
- Classic Delta Core
- Essential Core
- Essential Delta Core
- Coastal Core
UNLIMITED COVER FOR HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS
There is no overall limit for hospital cover on the Core plans.

FULL COVER IN HOSPITAL FOR SPECIALISTS
Full cover in hospital for specialists who we have a payment arrangement with, and up to 200% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR) on Classic plans, and up to 100% of the DHR on Essential and Coastal plans for other healthcare professionals.

COVER WHEN TRAVELLING
Cover for medical emergencies when travelling.

EXTENSIVE COVER FOR PREGNANCY
You get comprehensive benefits for maternity and early childhood that cover certain healthcare services before and after birth.

FULL COVER FOR CHRONIC MEDICINES
Full cover for chronic medicine on our formulary for all Chronic Disease List (CDL) conditions when you use MedXpress or a MedXpress Network Pharmacy.

SCREENING AND PREVENTION
Screening and prevention benefits that cover vital tests to detect early warning signs of serious illness.
The benefits on the different Core plans

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An emergency does not necessarily require a hospital admission. We may ask you or your treating provider for additional information to confirm the emergency.

What we pay for

We pay for all of the following medical services that you may receive in an emergency:

- the ambulance (or other medical transport)
- the account from the hospital
- the accounts from the doctor who admitted you to the hospital
- the anaesthetist
- any other healthcare provider that we approve.

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You have access to essential screening and prevention benefits

*We cover various screening tests at our wellness providers.*

This benefit pays for certain tests that can detect early warning signs of serious illnesses. We cover various screening tests at our wellness providers, for example, blood glucose, cholesterol, HIV, Pap smears, mammograms and prostate screenings.

**SCREENING FOR KIDS**

This benefit covers growth assessment tests, including height, weight, head circumference and health and milestone tracking at any one of our wellness providers.

**SCREENING FOR ADULTS**

This benefit covers certain tests such as blood glucose, blood pressure, cholesterol, body mass index and HIV screening at one of our wellness providers. We also cover a mammogram every two years, a Pap smear once every three years, PSA test (prostate screening) each year and bowel cancer screening tests every two years for members between 45 and 75 years.

**SCREENING FOR SENIORS**

In addition to the screening for adults, members aged 65 years and older have cover for a group of age appropriate screening tests in our defined pharmacy network. Cover includes hearing and visual screening and a falls risk assessment, for members 65 years and older. You may have cover for an additional GP consultation at a Premier Plus GP, depending on your screening test results and if you meet the Scheme’s clinical entry criteria.

**HOW WE PAY**

These tests are paid from the Screening and Prevention Benefit. Consultations that do not form part of PMBs will be paid from your available day-to-day benefits.

**ADDITIONAL TESTS**

Clinical entry criteria apply to these tests:

- Defined diabetes and cholesterol screening tests
- Breast MRI or mammogram and once-off BRCA testing for breast screening
- Pap smear for cervical screening
- Colonoscopy for bowel cancer screening.

Seasonal flu vaccine for members who are:

- Pregnant
- 65 years or older
- Registered for certain chronic conditions
- Healthcare professionals (given the potential exposure to COVID-19).

Visit [www.discovery.co.za](http://www.discovery.co.za) to view the detailed Screening and Prevention benefit guide.
You have cover for maternity and early childhood

DURING PREGNANCY

Antenatal consultations
We pay for up to eight consultations with your gynaecologist, GP or midwife.

Ultrasound scans and screenings during pregnancy
You are covered for up to two 2D ultrasound scans, including one nuchal translucency test. 3D and 4D scans are paid up to the rate we pay for 2D scans. You are also covered for one chromosome test or Non-Invasive Prenatal Test (NIPT) if you meet the clinical entry criteria.

Flu vaccinations
We pay for one flu vaccination during your pregnancy.

Blood tests
We pay for a defined list of blood tests for each pregnancy.

Pre- and postnatal care
We pay for a maximum of five antenatal or postnatal classes or consultations with a registered nurse up until two years after you have given birth. We pay for one breastfeeding consultation with a registered nurse or a breastfeeding specialist.

Visit www.discovery.co.za to view the detailed Maternity Benefit guide.

AFTER YOU GIVE BIRTH

GP and specialists to help you after birth
Your baby under the age of two years is covered for two visits to a GP, paediatrician or an ear, nose and throat specialist.

Other healthcare services
You also have access to postnatal care, which includes a postnatal consultation within six-weeks post-birth, a nutritional assessment with a dietitian and two mental healthcare consultations with a counsellor or psychologist.
You have cover for treatment for ongoing medical conditions (chronic conditions)

You have cover for the 27 medical conditions set out in the list of chronic conditions known as the Chronic Disease List (CDL).

WHAT IS THE BENEFIT?

The Chronic Illness Benefit (CIB) covers you for a defined list of 27 medical conditions known as the Chronic Disease List (CDL).

WHAT WE COVER

Prescribed Minimum Benefit (PMB) conditions

You have access to treatment for a list of medical conditions under the Prescribed Minimum Benefits (PMBs). The PMBs cover the 27 chronic conditions on the Chronic Disease List (CDL).

Our plans offer benefits that are richer than PMBs. To access PMBs, certain rules apply.

Medicine cover for the Chronic Disease List

You have full cover for approved chronic medicine on our medicine list.

For medicine not on our list, we cover you up to a set monthly rand amount called the Chronic Drug Amount (CDA).

How we pay for medicine

We pay for medicine up to a maximum of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR). The DHR for medicine is the price of the medicine and the fee for dispensing it.

HOW TO GET THE BENEFIT

You must apply for the Chronic Illness Benefit. Your doctor must complete the form online or send it to us for approval.

Visit www.discovery.co.za to view the detailed Chronic Illness Benefit guide.
CHRONIC DISEASE LIST (CDL) CONDITIONS

Chronic conditions covered on Core plans

A  Addison's disease, asthma
B  Bipolar mood disorder, bronchiectasis
C  Cardiac failure, cardiomyopathy, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, chronic renal disease, coronary artery disease, Crohn's disease
D  Diabetes insipidus, diabetes Type 1, diabetes Type 2, dysrhythmia
E  Epilepsy
G  Glaucoma
H  Haemophilia, HIV, hyperlipidaemia, hypertension, hypothyroidism
M  Multiple sclerosis
P  Parkinson's disease
R  Rheumatoid arthritis
S  Schizophrenia, systemic lupus erythematosus
U  Ulcerative colitis

If you need chronic dialysis

We cover these expenses in full if we have approved your treatment plan and you use a provider in our network. If you go elsewhere, we will pay up to 80% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR).
Where to get your chronic medicine

**USE A PHARMACY IN OUR NETWORK**

Avoid a 20% co-payment on your chronic medicine by using our Designated Service Providers (DSPs), MedXpress and MedXpress Network Pharmacies.

**MEDXPRESS AND MEDXPRESS NETWORK PHARMACIES**

You can order or reorder your medicine online through MedXpress and have it delivered to your work or home

or

- Order your medicine online and collect instore at a MedXpress Network Pharmacy

or

- Fill a prescription as usual at any MedXpress Network Pharmacy.

**MEDICINE TRACKER**

You can set up reminders and prompts to assist you with taking your medicine on time and as prescribed. Your approved chronic medicines will automatically be displayed, and you will then be prompted to take your medicine and confirm when each dose is taken.
Condition-specific care programmes for diabetes, mental health, HIV and heart conditions

We cover condition-specific care programmes that help you to manage diabetes, mental health, HIV or heart-related medical conditions. You have to be registered on these condition-specific care programmes to unlock additional benefits and services. You and your Premier Plus GP can track progress on a personalised dashboard to identify the next steps to optimally manage your condition and stay healthy over time.

MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMME

If you meet the Scheme’s clinical entry criteria, you have access to defined cover for the management of episodes of major depression. Enrolment on the programme unlocks cover for prescribed medicine, and additional GP consultations to allow for effective evaluation, tracking and monitoring of treatment.

DIABETES CARE PROGRAMME

If you are registered on the Chronic Illness Benefit for diabetes, you can join the Diabetes Care programme. The programme unlocks cover for additional consultations with dietitians and biokineticists. You may also have access to a nurse educator to help you with the day-to-day management of your condition. You have to see a Premier Plus GP to avoid a 20% co-payment.

HIV CARE PROGRAMME

If you are registered on the HIV programme, you are covered for the care you need, which includes additional cover for social workers. You can be assured of confidentiality at all times. You have to see a Premier Plus GP to avoid a 20% co-payment. You need to get your medicine from a Designated Service Provider (DSP) to avoid a 20% co-payment.

CARDIO CARE PROGRAMME

If you are registered on the Chronic Illness Benefit for hypertension, hyperlipidaemia or ischaemic heart disease, you have access to a defined basket of care and an annual cardiovascular assessment, if referred by your Premier Plus GP and enrolled on the Cardio Care programme.
You need to get your approved oncology medicine on our medicine list from a Designated Service Provider (DSP) to avoid a 20% co-payment. Speak to your treating doctor to confirm that they are using our DSPs for your medicine and treatment received in rooms or at a treatment facility.

Visit www.discovery.co.za to view the detailed Oncology Benefit guide.
If you need to be admitted to hospital

All Core plans offer cover for hospital stays. There is no overall limit for the hospital benefit.

If you have to go to hospital, we will pay your hospital expenses. There is no overall hospital limit for the year on any of the plans. However, there are limits to how much you can claim for some treatments.

Contact us in good time before you have to go to hospital. We’ll let you know what you are covered for. If you don’t contact us before you go, we might not pay the costs.

WHAT IS THE BENEFIT?
This benefit pays the costs when you are admitted into hospital.

WHAT WE COVER
Unlimited cover in any private hospitals approved by the Scheme, subject to the network requirements on the Delta options and Coastal plan. The funding of newly licensed facilities are subject to approval by the Scheme, on all health plans.

You have cover for planned and non-emergency stays in hospital.

HOW TO GET THE BENEFIT
Get our confirmation first

Contact us to confirm your hospital stay before you are admitted (this is known as preauthorisation).

Where to go
If you are on a Delta Core or Coastal Core plan you need to use a hospital in the network for your plan. On all other plans you can go to any private hospital approved for funding by the Scheme. The funding of newly licensed facilities are subject to approval by the Scheme, on all health plans.

What we pay
We pay for planned hospital stays from your Hospital Benefit.

We pay up to the Discovery Health Rate (DHR) for these healthcare services. We pay for services related to your hospital stay, including all healthcare professionals, services, medicines authorised by the Scheme for your hospital stay.

If you use doctors, specialists and other healthcare professionals that we have an agreement with, we will pay for these services in full. We pay up to 200% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR) on Classic plans, and up to 100% of the DHR for Essential and Coastal plans for other healthcare professionals.

Avoid co-payments by:
- Using healthcare professionals that we have a payment arrangement with
- Going to a hospital in the network of hospitals for your plan, if you are on the Delta or Coastal options.
## Your hospital cover

*The Core plans offer unlimited hospital cover.*

*The table below shows how we pay for your hospital admissions:*

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| **The hospital account**          | • The full account at the agreed rate with the hospital  
• On the Delta options, you must pay R8 400 upfront if you go to a hospital outside of the Delta Hospital Network  
• On the Coastal plan you must go to an approved hospital in the Coastal region for planned admissions  
  We pay 70% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR) if you go to a Scheme approved hospital outside of the coastal network  |
| **Upfront payment for a defined list of procedures performed outside of the day surgery network** | • Classic, Essential and Coastal plans: You must pay an upfront payment of R5 500  
• Delta options: You must pay an upfront payment of R8 400  |
| **Specialists we have a payment arrangement with** | The full account at the agreed rate  |
| **Specialists we don't have a payment arrangement with and other healthcare professionals** | • Classic plans: Twice the Discovery Health Rate (200%)  
• Essential and Coastal plans: The Discovery Health Rate (100%)  |
| **X-rays and blood tests**  
(radiology and pathology) accounts | The Discovery Health Rate (100%)  |
| **MRI & CT scans** | The Discovery Health Rate (100%) if it is related to your hospital admission from your Hospital Benefit.  
If it is not related to your admission, or for conservative back and neck treatment, we do not pay for it  |
| **Scopes**  
(gastroscopy, colonoscopy, sigmoidoscopy, and proctoscopy) | • You must pay the first R5 000. We cover the balance of the hospital account and related accounts from your Hospital Benefit  
• If both a gastroscopy and colonoscopy is performed in the same admission you must pay the first R6 250 and we will pay the balance of the hospital and related accounts from your Hospital Benefit  
• If performed outside of our network facilities, the highest of the upfront amounts will apply  
• If you do this in the doctor's rooms, you will not have to pay any amount upfront. We pay the account from the Hospital Benefit.  |
Benefits with an annual limit

**COCHLEAR IMPLANTS, AUDITORY BRAIN IMPLANTS AND PROCESSORS**
R223 700 per person for each benefit.

**INTERNAL NERVE STIMULATORS**
R160 500 per person.

**SHOULDER JOINT PROSTHESIS**
No limit if you get your prosthesis from a provider in our network or up to R41 700 if you use a provider outside our network.

**MAJOR JOINT SURGERY**
No limit for planned hip and knee joint replacements if you use a provider in our network.
80% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR) if you use a provider outside our network up to a maximum of R30 000 for each prosthesis for each admission. The network does not apply to emergency or trauma-related surgeries.

**MENTAL HEALTH**
21 days for admissions or up to 15 out-of-hospital consultations per person for major affective disorders, anorexia and bulimia and up to 12 out-of-hospital consultations for acute stress disorder accompanied by recent significant trauma. Three days per approved admission for attempted suicide.
21 days for all other mental health admissions.
All mental health admissions are covered in full at a network facility. If you go elsewhere, we will pay up to 80% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR) for the hospital account.

**ALCOHOL AND DRUG REHABILITATION**
We pay for 21 days of rehabilitation per person each year. Three days per approved admission per person for detoxification.

**PROSTHETIC DEVICES USED IN SPINAL SURGERY**
There is no overall limit if you get your prosthesis from our preferred suppliers. A limit of R25 500 applies for the first level and R51 000 for two or more levels, limited to one procedure per person each year outside of the network.

**DENTAL TREATMENT IN HOSPITAL**
**Dental limit**
You are responsible for paying the cost of all dental appliances, their placements and orthodontic treatment (including the related accounts for orthognathic surgery).

**Severe dental and oral surgery in hospital**
The Severe Dental and Oral Surgery Benefit covers a defined list of procedures, with no upfront payment and no overall limit. Certain procedures are covered in our day surgery network. This benefit is subject to authorisation and the Scheme’s rules.

Other dental treatment in hospital
You need to pay a portion of your hospital or day clinic account upfront for dental admissions. This amount varies, depending on your age and the place of treatment. We pay the balance of the hospital account from your Hospital Benefit, up to 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR).

We pay the related accounts, which include the dental surgeon’s account, from your Hospital Benefit, up to 100% of the DHR. On Classic plans, we pay anaesthetists up to 200% of the DHR.

**Upfront payment for dental admissions:**

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Cover for procedures in the day surgery network

We cover specific procedures that can be done in a day surgery network.

ABOUT THE BENEFIT

We cover certain planned procedures in a day surgery facility. A day surgery may be inside a hospital, in a clinic or at a standalone facility.

HOW TO GET THE BENEFIT

The list of day surgery procedures are set out on the next page of this guide. You must contact us to get confirmation of your procedure (called preauthorisation).

HOW WE PAY

We pay from your Hospital Benefit. We pay for services related to your hospital stay, including all healthcare professionals, services, medicines authorised by the Scheme for your hospital stay.

If you use doctors, specialists and other healthcare professionals that we have a payment arrangement with, we will pay for these services in full.

WHEN YOU NEED TO PAY IN

If you go to a medical facility that is not in your plan's day surgery network, you will have to pay an amount upfront as per the below table:

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LIST OF PROCEDURES COVERED IN THE DAY SURGERY NETWORK

The following is a list of procedures that can be performed in a day surgery facility.

**B** Biopsies
- Skin, subcutaneous tissue, soft tissue, muscle, bone, lymph, eye, mouth, throat, breast, cervix, vulva, prostate, penis, testes

**Breast procedures**
- Mastectomy for gynaecomastia
- Lumpectomy (fibroadenoma)

**E** Ear, nose and throat Procedures
- Tonsillectomy and/or adenoidectomy
- Repair nasal turbinates, nasal septum
- Simple procedures for nose bleed (extensive cautery)
- Sinus lavage
- Scopes (nasal endoscopy, laryngoscopy)
- Middle ear procedures ( tympanoplasty, mastoidectomy, myringoplasty, myringotomy and/or grommets)

**G** Ganglionectiontomy

**Gastrointestinal**
- Gastrointestinal scopes (oesophagoscopy, gastroscopy, colonoscopy, sigmoidoscopy, proctoscopy, anoscopy)
- Anorectal procedures (treatment of haemorrhoids, fissure, fistula)

**Gynaecological Procedures**
- Diagnostic Dilatation and Curettage
- Endometrial ablation
- Diagnostic Hysteroscopy
- Colposcopy with LLETZ
- Examination under anaesthesia

**Orthopaedic Procedures**
- Arthroscopy, arthrotomy (shoulder, elbow, knee, ankle, hand, wrist, foot, temporomandibular joint), arthrodesis (hand, wrist, foot)
- Minor joint arthroplasty (intercarpal, carpometacarpal and metacarpophalangeal, interphalangeal joint arthroplasty)
- Tendon and/or ligament repair, muscle debridement, fascia procedures (tenotomy, tenodesis, tenolysis, repair/reconstruction, capsulotomy, capsulectomy, synovectomy, excision tendon sheath lesion, fasciectomy, fasciectomy). Subject to individual case review
- Repair bunion or toe deformity
- Treatment of simple closed fractures and/or dislocations, removal of pins and plates. Subject to individual case review

**R** Removal of foreign body
- Subcutaneous tissue, muscle, external auditory canal under general anaesthesia

**S** Simple superficial lymphadenectomy

**Skin procedures**
- Debridement
- Removal of lesions (dependent on site and diameter)
- Simple repair of superficial wounds

**U** Urological
- Cystoscopy
- Male genital procedures (circumcision, repair of penis, exploration of testes and scrotum, orchietomy, epididymectomy, excision hydrocoele, excision varicocoele, vasectomy)
**Extra benefits on your plan**

**You get the following extra benefits to enhance your cover.**

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**HOME CARE BENEFIT**

Discovery Home Care is a service that offers you quality care in the comfort of your own home when recommended by your doctor as an alternative to a hospital stay. Services include postnatal care, end-of-life care, IV infusions (drips) and wound care.

These services are paid from the Hospital Benefit, subject to approval. Discovery Home Care is the Designated Service Provider (DSP) for administration of defined intravenous infusions. Avoid a 20% co-payment by using Discovery Home Care for these infusions.

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**WHO GLOBAL OUTBREAK BENEFIT**

You have cover up to 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR) for relevant healthcare services, as well as a defined basket of care for out-of-hospital healthcare services, related to global World Health Organization (WHO) recognised disease outbreaks such as COVID-19. This does not affect your day-to-day benefits, where applicable. You have access to screening consultations, testing, and out-of-hospital management and appropriate supportive treatment related to the outbreak disease, as long as they meet our Benefit entry criteria. In-hospital treatment related to the outbreak disease for approved admissions is covered from the Hospital Benefit based on your chosen health plan and in accordance with Prescribed Minimum Benefits (PMB) where applicable.

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**COMPASSIONATE CARE BENEFIT**

The Compassionate Care Benefit, gives you access to holistic home-based end-of-life care up to R68 100 per person in their lifetime, for care not related to cancer.

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**INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL BENEFIT**

You have cover for emergency medical costs of up to R5 million per person on each journey while you travel outside of South Africa. This cover is for a period of 90 days from your departure from South Africa. We may cover you at equivalent local costs for elective treatment received outside of South Africa, as long as the treatment is readily and freely available in South Africa and it would normally be covered by your plan according to the Scheme Rules. Pre-existing conditions are excluded.

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**AFRICA EVACUATION COVER**

You have cover for emergency medical evacuations from certain sub-Saharan African countries back to South Africa. Pre-existing conditions are excluded.

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**INTERNATIONAL SECOND OPINION SERVICES**

Through your specialist, you have access to second opinion services from Cleveland Clinic for life-threatening and life-changing conditions. We cover 50% for the cost of the second opinion service.
Contributions for the Core plans

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*We count a maximum of three children when we calculate the monthly contributions.
Healthcare services that are not covered on your plan

Discovery Health Medical Scheme has certain exclusions. We do not pay for healthcare services related to the following, except where stipulated as part of a defined benefit or under the Prescribed Minimum Benefits (PMBs). For a full list of exclusions, please visit www.discovery.co.za

MEDICAL CONDITIONS DURING A WAITING PERIOD

If we apply waiting periods because you have never belonged to a medical scheme or you have had a break in membership of more than 90 days before joining Discovery Health Medical Scheme, you will not have access to the Prescribed Minimum Benefits during your waiting periods. This includes cover for emergency admissions. If you had a break in cover of less than 90 days before joining Discovery Health Medical Scheme, you may have access to Prescribed Minimum Benefits during waiting periods.

THE GENERAL EXCLUSION LIST INCLUDES:

- Reconstructive treatment and surgery, including cosmetic procedures and treatments
- Otoplasty for bat ears, port-wine stains and blepharoplasty (eyelid surgery)
- Breast reductions or enlargements and gynaecomastia
- Obesity
- Frail care
- Infertility
- Alcohol, drug or solvent abuse
- Wilful and material violation of the law
- Wilful participation in war, terrorist activity, riot, civil commotion, rebellion or uprising
- Injuries sustained or healthcare services arising during travel to or in a country at war
- Experimental, unproven or unregistered treatments or practices
- Search and rescue

We also do not cover the complications or the direct or indirect expenses that arise from any of the exclusions listed above, except where stipulated as part of a defined benefit or under the Prescribed Minimum Benefits.
ACCESS TO VITALITY TO GET HEALTHIER

You have the opportunity to join the world’s leading science-based wellness programme, Vitality, which rewards you for getting healthier. Not only is a healthy lifestyle more enjoyable, it is clinically proven that Vitality members live healthier, longer lives.

SAVINGS ON PERSONAL AND FAMILY CARE ITEMS

You can sign up for Healthy Care to get savings on a vast range of personal and family care products at any Clicks or Dis-Chem. Healthy Care items include a list of baby care, dental care, eye care, foot care, sun care and hand care products, as well as first aid and emergency items and over-the-counter medicine.

SAVINGS ON STEM CELL BANKING

You get access to an exclusive offer with Netcells that gives expectant parents the opportunity to cryogenically store their newborn baby’s umbilical cord blood and tissue stem cells for potential future medical use, at a discounted rate.

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FRAMES AND LENSES

You get a 20% discount for frames and lenses at an optometrist in your plan’s network of optometrists. You will receive the discount immediately when you pay.

Vitality is not part of Discovery Health Medical Scheme. Vitality is a separate wellness product, sold and administered by Discovery Vitality (Pty) Ltd, registration number 1999/007736/07, an authorised financial services provider. Health Care is brought to you by Discovery Vitality (Pty) Ltd, registration number 1997/007736/07, an authorised financial services provider. Netcells is brought to you by Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd, registration number 1997/013480/07, an authorised financial services provider.
Discovery Health Medical Scheme is committed to providing you with the highest standard of service and your feedback is important to us. The following channels are available for your complaints.

PLEASE GO THROUGH THESE STEPS IF YOU HAVE A COMPLAINT:

01 | To take your query further
If you have already contacted Discovery Health Medical Scheme and feel that your query has still not been resolved, please complete our online complaints form on www.discovery.co.za. We would also love to hear from you if we have exceeded your expectations.

02 | To contact the Principal Officer
If you are still not satisfied with the resolution of your complaint after following the process in Step 1 you are able to escalate your complaint to the Principal Officer of the Discovery Health Medical Scheme. You may lodge a query or complaint with Discovery Health Medical Scheme by completing the online form on www.discovery.co.za or by e-mailing principalofficer@discovery.co.za.

03 | To lodge a dispute
If you have received a final decision from Discovery Health Medical Scheme and want to challenge it, you may lodge a formal dispute. You can find more information of the Scheme's dispute process on the website.

04 | To contact the Council for Medical Schemes
Discovery Health Medical Scheme is regulated by the Council for Medical Schemes. You may contact the Council at any stage of the complaints process, but we encourage you to first follow the steps above to resolve your complaint before contacting the Council. Contact details for the Council for Medical Schemes: Council for Medical Schemes Complaints Unit, Block A, Eco Glades 2 Office Park, 420 Witch-Hazel Avenue, Eco Park, Centurion 0157 | complaints@medicalschemes.com | 0861 123 267 | www.medicalschemes.com
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