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Dear Member

## **2022 BENEFITS FOR WORKING MEMBERS AND PENSIONERS**

Transmed hereby presents the Fund's benefits for 2022. Accompanying this letter is your benefits guide, which will assist you in understanding how to best manage your medical benefits based on your chosen plan, as well as a plan selection form to complete if you wish to change your benefit plan for 2022. The completed form must reach the Fund by no later than 31 December 2021. Please read the information provided carefully before confirming your benefit plan for 2022.

### **Benefit limits**

Most of the individual benefit limits have been increased in line with anticipated tariff increases.

### **Prostheses limit**

The endovascular aneurysm repair (EVAR) prostheses limit has been increased in line with the current cost of the technology.

A new benefit limit has been created for transcatheter aortic valve implantation (TAVI).

### **Major medical benefit**

This benefit has now been extended to cover emergency treatment, including consultations and procedures in an emergency room or casualty facility for children under the age of 12, subject to pre-authorisation.

*Should you require assistance or clarity with any benefits, please call our customer service department on 0800 450 010 and speak to our customer service agents, who will gladly assist you.*

### **2022 contributions**

Despite the challenges faced by the healthcare industry, in terms of COVID-19-related costs experienced during 2021, Transmed managed to keep contribution increases on this plan at an overall increase of 9.5%. The 2022 benefits guide provides full details of the contributions.

*Please note that these benefit and contribution changes are still subject to approval by the Council for Medical Schemes.*

### **24-hour pre-authorisation service**

Transmed would like to remind you of the 24-hour pre-authorisation service (toll free on 0800 225 151) to direct you to appropriate treatment facilities during an emergency and when admission is required. This service is available every day for all admissions and after hours, weekends and public holidays in case of emergencies. It supplements the 24-hour emergency line (toll free on 0800 115 750), where an ambulance can be requested in case of a medical emergency.

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## **Personal information**

It is important that the Fund has your correct information to ensure that you receive Fund communication via post, SMS and email. Updating your information will not only ensure that our records are kept up to date, but will also assist us in further improving the quality of our service to you.

Should any of your contact details, such as your postal or email address or telephone numbers change, or if these details were not provided to the Fund, please update your information. You can update your contact details by contacting Transmed through one of the following channels:

- Customer service department: 0800 450 010
- Email: [membership@transmed.co.za](mailto:membership@transmed.co.za)
- Fax: 011 381 2041/42
- Post: Premium management department, PO Box 2269, Bellville 7535.

## **Protection of personal information**

The Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013 (POPIA) regulations came into effect on 1 July 2021.

The purpose of POPIA is to protect your right to privacy and to regulate how personal information is processed by public and private organisations.

It is important that Transmed has your and, of equal importance, any of your adult dependants' latest contact details on record. By law, any person who is 18 years of age and older is regarded as an adult and the POPIA privacy law therefore also entitles your adult dependants to confidentiality of their Transmed membership information.

You can update your and your dependants' contact details by contacting Transmed through one of the following channels:

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## **In closing**

COVID-19 has touched the lives of many of our members and their families. While we seem to be over the worse phase of the third wave of the pandemic, Transmed nevertheless encourages you to continue to take the necessary precautions to avoid being infected. Please also remember that the Fund pays in full for COVID-19 vaccinations for yourself and your registered dependants who are eligible for vaccination.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I would like to wish you and your family a healthy, and prosperous 2022.

Yours faithfully



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PRINCIPAL OFFICER