

CHRONIC MEDICATION BENEFIT APPLICATION FORM

A. IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. One application must be completed per beneficiary applying for chronic medication.
2. Allow **5 working** days for the processing of your application.
3. The original prescription must be given to the provider who dispenses your medication.
4. It is essential that you submit all required information correctly and timeously as incomplete forms will not be processed.
5. Approval of chronic medication is subject to the rules and chronic protocols of the Scheme.
6. You may contact the Pharmacy Benefit Management (PBM) Team at **(041) 395 4482** or e-mail **chronic@thebemed.co.za**
7. Send completed forms via fax **086 680 8855**, mail **PO Box 1672, Port Elizabeth, 6000** or e-mail **chronic@thebemed.co.za**
8. Contact Thebemed Health Risk Management for information regarding HIV management at **011 544 8222**, e-mail **wellbeing@thebemed.co.za** or fax **086 634 9043**.

B. MEMBER DETAILS

Scheme	<input type="text"/>	Option	<input type="text"/>
Membership Number	<input type="text"/>		
Surname	<input type="text"/>	First Names	<input type="text"/>
Title	<input type="text"/>	Date of Birth	<input type="text" value="Y Y Y Y M M D D"/>
Telephone number (Home)	<input type="text"/>	(Work)	<input type="text"/>
Fax number (Confidential)	<input type="text"/>	Cellular	<input type="text"/>
Email address (Confidential)	<input type="text"/>		
Postal Address	<input type="text"/>		Code <input type="text"/>

C. PATIENT DETAILS (Beneficiary who requires Chronic Medication)

Surname	<input type="text"/>	First Names	<input type="text"/>
Title	<input type="text"/>	Date of Birth	<input type="text" value="Y Y Y Y M M D D"/>
Telephone number (Home)	<input type="text"/>	(Work)	<input type="text"/>
Fax number (Confidential)	<input type="text"/>	Cellular	<input type="text"/>
Email address (Confidential)	<input type="text"/>		

The outcome of this application must be communicated to me via my email address: Yes No

D. PATIENT DECLARATION

By signing below, I hereby give permission for, acknowledge and/or agree to the following:

- My (or my minor dependant's) doctor may provide clinical information regarding my (or my minor dependant's) condition to the PBM Team.
- Any information concerning this application will remain confidential at all times.
- It may be a pre-condition to the approval of the Chronic Medication Benefit that I (or my minor dependent) register and comply with the requirements of a Disease Management Programme.
- My (or my minor dependant's) doctor retains the responsibility for my (or my minor dependant's) condition, based on the understanding that I (or my minor dependant) also has a responsibility towards my (or my minor dependant's) own health concerns, irrespective of the outcome of this application.
- This funding authorisation is at all times subject to the Scheme rules even if a beneficiary's circumstances change after the authorisation is provided. This authorisation is not a guarantee of payment.
- This funding authorisation is based on the most appropriate clinical criteria in terms of the Scheme rules and protocols. All treatment decisions remain the responsibility of the beneficiary's health care provider irrespective of the funding decision made in terms of the Scheme rules, clinical criteria and protocols.
- The Scheme and its Administrator shall not accept responsibility for any act, errors or omissions, loss, damage or consequences of individual responses to the treatment authorised or not authorised for funding by the Scheme.

Patient Signature (or member if patient is a minor) _____

Date

Patient name

Membership number

E. PATIENT HEALTH INFORMATION (to be completed by doctor)

Weight kg Height m Hip/Waist ratio Smoker? Y N Ave per day

Exercise: Frequency X per week Intensity (Please tick) Low Medium High

Current blood pressure mmHg Available Blood Glucose result mmol/L Fasting Random

F. CLINICAL CRITERIA

The following information is required when applying for a new chronic condition

Certain conditions which do not appear on the form below may be considered for approval on the Chronic Benefit for certain options, although not all long-term conditions, which a doctor may define as chronic, will fulfill the criteria for approval.

Please contact the Scheme for a complete list of chronic conditions.

Condition	Requirements
Addison's Disease	1. Initial Specialist Application. 2. ACTH Stimulation Test. 3. Serum Cortisol Test.
Asthma	1. Lung function test (8 years of age and older).
Bipolar Mood Disorder	1. Psychiatrist to complete Section K.
Bronchiectasis	1. Initial Specialist Application. 2. Attach relevant radiology report.
Cardiac failure	1. Specialist to complete section G.
Cardiomyopathy	1. Initial Specialist Application.
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	1. Lung function test including FEV1/FVC and FEV1 post bronchodilator.
Chronic Renal Disease	1. Initial Specialist (Nephrologist) Application. 2. Serum Urea, Creatinine and GFR.
Coronary Artery Disease	1. Stress ECG confirming diagnosis. 2. Attach history of previous cardiovascular disease event(s).
Crohn's Disease	1. Initial Specialist Application. 2. Diagnostic reports to be supplied
Diabetes Insipidus	1. Initial Specialist Application. 2. Water deprivation test results.
Diabetes Mellitus	1. Prescriber to complete Section G and H. 2. Please attach the diagnostic Fasting/Random Blood Glucose results. The application cannot be reviewed if this is not submitted.
Dysrhythmias	1. Prescriber to clearly indicate ICD-10 code. 2. ECG confirming diagnosis.
Epilepsy	1. EEG report confirming diagnosis. 2. Attach detailed seizure history.
Glaucoma	1. Initial Specialist Application. 2. Supply initial diagnostic intra-ocular pressure/s.
Haemophilia	1. Initial Specialist Application. 2. Haemophilia A (Factor VIII as % of Normal). 2. Haemophilia B (Factor IX as % of Normal).
HIV & AIDS - Call 011 544 8222 for more information	1. HIV application available from wellbeing@thebemed.co.za or complete section L. 2. Eliza test result. 3. Baseline blood tests. 4. Crag test if CD4 count is below 100. 5. TB screening.
Hyperlipidaemia	1. Prescriber to complete Section G and J. 2. Please attach the diagnosing Lipogram. The application cannot be reviewed if this is not submitted.
Hypertension	1. Prescriber to complete Section G and I. 2. Initial Specialist Application if younger than 18 years of age.
Hypothyroidism	1. Attach initial diagnostic report.
Ischaemic heart disease	1. Stress ECG confirming diagnosis. 2. Attach history of previous cardiovascular disease event(s).
Menopause	1. Specialist application if <45yoa. 2. Reimbursed for a maximum of 5 years.
Multiple Sclerosis	1. Initial Specialist Application. 2. Comprehensive disease history. 3. Extended Disability Status score (EDSS).
Parkinson's Disease	1. Initial Specialist Application.
Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA)	1. Initial diagnostic test results confirming RA may be required where a "stepped therapy" approach has not been implemented. 2. Initial Specialist Application for Leflunomide and Specialist Motivation for Biologic DMARDs. 3. Baseline Disease Activity Scores.
Schizophrenia	1. Psychiatrist to complete Section K.
Systemic Lupus Erythematosus	1. Initial Specialist Application. 2. Comprehensive disease history
Ulcerative Colitis	1. Initial Specialist Application. 2. Diagnostic reports to be supplied

Patient name

Membership number

G. CARDIOVASCULAR (to be completed by doctor when applying for hypertension, hyperlipidaemia or diabetes mellitus)

Is microalbuminuria present?

Y	N
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Is GFR less than 60ml/min?

Y	N
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Please indicate which of the following co-morbidities/risk factors apply to this patient?

Peripheral arterial disease <input type="checkbox"/>	Nephropathy <input type="checkbox"/>	Retinopathy <input type="checkbox"/>	Heart Failure <input type="checkbox"/>
Left ventricular hypertrophy <input type="checkbox"/>	Chronic renal disease <input type="checkbox"/>	Cardiomyopathy <input type="checkbox"/>	Prior stroke/TIA <input type="checkbox"/>
Prior myocardial infarction <input type="checkbox"/>	Prior CABG <input type="checkbox"/>	Prior Stent <input type="checkbox"/>	Angina <input type="checkbox"/>

If heart failure is present, please indicate classification below:

NYHA/ACC-AHA Classification A B/I(Mild) C/II(Mild)-III(Moderate) D/IV(Severe)

H. DIABETES MELLITUS

Please attach the laboratory diagnostic Fasting or Random Blood Glucose results. The application cannot be reviewed if this is not submitted.

I. HYPERTENSION (to be completed by doctor when applying for hypertension)

Please supply two blood pressure readings, performed on two different occasions, before initiating drug therapy, for a newly diagnosed patient.

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J. HYPERLIPIDAEMIA (to be completed by doctor when applying for hyperlipidaemia)

Please attach the diagnosing lipogram. The application cannot be reviewed if this is not submitted.

Is there a family history of early-onset arteriosclerotic disease?

Y	N
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If yes, please provide details below:

Does the patient suffer from familial hyperlipidaemia?

Y	N
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 Has this been verified by an Endocrinologist?

Y	N
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If yes, please provide details below:

Please risk your patient as per the Framingham coronary prediction algorithm %

K. PSYCHIATRIC CONDITIONS (to be completed doctor by when applying for psychiatric disorders)

Please indicate DSM IV diagnosis

Please indicate number of relapses

L. HIV & AIDS

Date of HIV Diagnosis

Y	Y	Y	Y	M	M	D	D
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 Viral Load on Diagnosis CD4 count on Diagnosis

Previous ARV regimen	Date Started	Date Stopped	Reason for Change																
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Please describe any abnormality on examination or previous significant illness

All Baseline Investigations to be attached to application:

U & E FBC LFT RPR Current Viral load & CD4 count Creatinine Hep B sAg

Pap Smear CrAg Random Cholesterol & Glucose

TB Screen: Symptomatic

Y	N
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 Investigations: CXR

Y	N
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Y	N
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 Is member a candidate for IPT?

Y	N
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Alternate contact Relationship Cellular

M. ADDITIONAL NOTES

