

**Contact details**

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## Pre-assessment request

### Who we are

The Retail Medical Scheme (referred to as 'the Scheme'), registration number 1176. This is a non-profit organisation, registered with the Council for Medical Schemes.

Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd (referred to as 'the administrator') is a separate company and an authorised financial services provider (registration number 1997/013480/07). We take care of the administration of your membership for the Scheme.

When you sign this form, you are requesting Retail Medical Scheme to provide you with a quotation for a procedure you or a dependant is scheduled to have. This will enable you to compare the costs that your service providers have given you, with what your benefit option will pay.

**Please note:** You need to obtain an authorisation number from the preauthorisations department first before we can assist you with a pre-assessment request. To authorise the procedure, please call **0860 101 252**. You will need the following information when you contact our preauthorisations department:

- Date of admission
- Treatment and ICD-10 codes
- Practice numbers for the hospital and the treating doctor

Your doctor can provide you with this information.

**When you sign this pre-assessment request you confirm that the information provided is true and correct.**

If you have any questions, please let us know. Once we have assessed your request, we will give you a quote letter.

### How to complete this form

1. Please use one letter per block, complete in black ink and print clearly.
2. To avoid unnecessary delays, please
  - complete all sections. We cannot provide you with a pre-assessment if section 5 is not completed.
  - include all information, including the authorisation number.
3. Email the completed and signed form to [PREASSESSMENT\\_REQUESTS@retailmedicalscheme.co.za](mailto:PREASSESSMENT_REQUESTS@retailmedicalscheme.co.za)

### 1. Important details about pre-assessments

#### A pre-assessment helps you to understand your cover and any shortfalls you may have to pay

- With a completed pre-assessment, you are able to compare the costs that your service provider charged with the costs that your benefit option will cover. It helps you to understand any financial implications beforehand.
- A pre-assessment is a quote and does not guarantee payment.

#### A pre-assessment is done on request and you need to ask for it before having the procedure

- We will only do a pre-assessment before the procedure is done and we have issued an authorisation.
- We need at least seven working days to complete the assessment.

#### A pre-assessment does not replace the authorisation you need from the Scheme

- This is only a guideline for costs and what the Scheme will pay according to your benefit option and Scheme Rules – you still need to obtain the relevant authorisation before the procedure is done.
- Please note that we will only pay for the codes received according to this quote. If your doctor changes or adds codes to this quote, we cannot accept any responsibility for the difference in cover.

#### We will send a completed assessment letter to you

- Because the information in a pre-assessment form is confidential, we will send the completed assessment letter to you only.
- We will send the completed assessment letter using the preferred communication channel given in this form. If you do not give us an email address or if the details do not belong to you, we will post it to the address we have on our records for you.

#### Contact us if you have any questions about this pre-assessment form

If you need to check or query anything about this application, please call us on **0860 101 252**.

## 2. Main member details

Membership number	<input type="text"/>
ID or passport number	<input type="text"/>
Member's surname	<input type="text"/>
Member's name	<input type="text"/>

## 3. Patient's details

Title	<input type="text"/>	Initials	<input type="text"/>
First name(s) (as per identity document)	<input type="text"/>		
Surname	<input type="text"/>		
ID or passport number	<input type="text"/>	Membership number	<input type="text"/>
Telephone (H)	<input type="text"/>	Telephone (W)	<input type="text"/>
Cellphone	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Email	<input type="text"/>		
Relationship to main member	<input type="text"/>		

## 4. Doctor's details

Name	<input type="text"/>		
Billing practice number	<input type="text"/>	Treating practice number	<input type="text"/>
Contact number	<input type="text"/>	Date of treatment	<input type="text"/>
Email	<input type="text"/>		
Have you been referred for this treatment/procedure by another doctor?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
If yes, please provide benefit reference number	<input type="text"/>		

## 5. Details about the procedure

When will procedure be done?	<input type="text"/>	
Where will the procedure be done?	In hospital or day clinic <input type="checkbox"/>	Other facility instead of in hospital <input type="checkbox"/>
Please give the authorisation number for this procedure	<input type="text"/>	

### Procedure information

Please provide a separate rand value for each procedure code. We will not be able to assess estimated or combined amounts.

### Codes from your healthcare professional

We need the treatment and procedure codes to make sure we all refer to the same procedures and products. Please provide the ICD-10 diagnosis code and all the procedure and product codes.

(An ICD-10 code describes your diagnosis and contains numbers and letters, for example Tonsillitis could be coded as J35.0. An ICD-10 code may be 3, 4 or 5 characters in length. Procedure codes are 4-5 digits long and product codes are 6-9 digits long).

ICD-10 diagnosis code:

Practice number	Procedure code	Rand value		Practice number	Procedure code	Rand value

**Please note:**

If your healthcare professional gave you more codes than there are lines available on this form, you can attach extra pages. If you do add a page, it is very important that you include the practice number, codes and rand values for every code.

You can also attach the quotations you received from your healthcare professionals to this form, but please make sure that the practice numbers, procedure codes and rand values are included for every code on the quotation.

Signed at (town or city)

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Signature of main member

**Please do not sign an incomplete application form**