

Dear Pharmacist

Changes to the way we will pay Engen Medical Benefit Fund (EMBF) chronic medicine in future

We would like to inform you about important changes regarding how we pay chronic medicine or items from **01 July 2025**.

These changes are part of our ongoing efforts to enhance the sustainability and efficiency of the Fund, ensuring that we continue to provide members with high-quality healthcare services.

- **Formulary medicine or items**

Formulary medicine or items will continue to be funded in full up to the Fund rate.

- **Non-formulary medicine or items**

Effective from 01 July 2025, we will no longer cover approved chronic medicine up the Maximum Medical Aid Price. Instead, we are implementing a Chronic Drug Amount (CDA) and Therapeutic Reference Price (TRP) funding structure for non-formulary medicine and items

Like always, you will be alerted by the reason codes where claims are affected. You will recognize these as:

Pharmacy message

Paid item at the reference price.

Member statement message

We paid this item at the reference price. This claim will accumulate to the limit of your 12-month cycle. Once you've reached your cycle limit, we'll pay claims at 80% of the reference price.

Please assist your customers who are members of the scheme which are administered by Discovery Health and are impacted by this change, with choosing cost-efficient options so they can limit or avoid co-payments.

Regards

Engen Medical Benefit Fund