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Dear Healthcare Provider

RE: RPL for 2010

Medscheme has been advised that the Department of Health (DoH) has been prohibited from publishing a reference pricing list (RPL) for the calendar year 2010.

This is as a result of various legal challenges brought against the DOH regarding the publishing of the 2009 RPL. The first legal hearing has been scheduled for February 2010.

Please be advised that in order to facilitate payment of claims from January 2010, Medscheme has been instructed to apply an inflation-related adjustment of +7.16% to the 2009 RPL, by the following medical schemes:

- Bonitas Medical Fund
- Fedhealth Medical Scheme
- Oxygen Medical Scheme
- AECI Medical Aid Society
- Barloworld Medical Scheme
- BMW Employees Medical Aid Society
- Eyethumed Medical Scheme
- Massmart Health Plan
- MB Med Medical Aid Scheme
- Metrocare Medical Scheme
- Oxygen Medical Scheme
- Parmed Medical Aid Scheme
- SABC Medical Scheme
- Sasolmed Medical Scheme
- Siemens Medical Scheme
- University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg Staff Medical Aid Fund
- Xstrata Medical Aid Scheme

This inflation adjustment is an interim measure based on the December 2009 Reuters Consensus Forecast number for the average 2009 CPI.

To assist healthcare providers with updating their practice management software, Medscheme will be publishing the adjusted rates for 2010 in the, Provider zone, on the Medscheme website.

The rates will be published in MS Excel format and will be available via the following link;
<http://www.medscheme.co.za/LrPresentation/CMS/Templates.aspx?P=27>.

Providers will also be able to collect a CD containing the 2010 rates from any of the Medscheme walk-in centres.

Yours Faithfully

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