

EXTENDED ONCOLOGY BENEFIT

DISCOVERY HEALTH MEDICAL SCHEME
2025





Overview

The Extended Oncology Benefit gives members on the Executive and Classic Comprehensive Plans access to extended cover for specific medicine (without you having to pay part of the cost of medicine) once the 12-month cycle cover amount is used up. This benefit is not available on the Classic Smart Comprehensive Plan.

About some of the terms we use in this document

There may be some terms we refer to in the document that you may not be familiar with. Here are the meanings of these terms

TERMINOLOGY	DESCRIPTION
Co-payment	This is an amount that you have to pay towards a healthcare service. The amount can vary, depending on the type of healthcare service, the place of service and whether the amount that the service provider charges is higher than the rate that we cover. If the co-payment amount is higher than the amount charged for the healthcare service, you will have to pay for the cost of the healthcare service.
Designated service provider (DSP)	This refers to a healthcare professional or provider (for example, a doctor, specialist, allied healthcare professional, pharmacy or hospital) who/that has agreed to provide Discovery Health Medical Scheme members with treatment or services at a contracted rate. To view the full list of designated service providers, visit www.discovery.co.za or click on 'Find a healthcare provider' on the Discovery Health app.
Discovery Health Rate (DHR)	This is the rate that we pay for medicine. It is the Single Exit Price of medicine plus the relevant dispensing fee.

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The Extended Oncology Benefit provides continued cover for a defined list of medicine for specific conditions, as outlined in the table below. Approval is subject to meeting the Scheme's clinical criteria. We may ask an external panel to review requests for funding from this benefit.

We will continue to pay up to 100% of the Discovery Health Rate (DHR) for these specific approved medicines once the R500 000 12-month cycle cover amount is used up. Once the 12-month cycle cover amount is renewed, we will pay for the approved medicine from the 12-month cover amount. Please refer to the [Oncology Programme benefit guide](#) for all additional approved items such as consultations, facility fees and pathology.

Specific medicine covered from the Extended Oncology Benefit

If you meet the Scheme's clinical criteria, you have cover for the following oncology medicines:

INDICATION	NAPPI	PRODUCT NAME	STRENGTH	FORM	CLINICAL CRITERIA
Multiple Myeloma	722781	Valtib	3,5 mg	Injection	Multiple myeloma; and newly diagnosed (1st line therapy); and prior to autologous stem-cell transplantation
	3000409	Miblex vial powder for reconstitution	3,5 mg	Injection	
	3004803	Bortiv	3,5 mg	Injection	



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Multiple Myeloma	3000842	Bertred lyophilised powder for injection vial	3,5 mg	Injection	Multiple myeloma; and newly diagnosed (1st line therapy); and prior to autologous stem-cell transplantation
	3006362	Valoma powder for solution for injection vial	1 mg	Injection	
	3003579	Valtib powder for solution for injection vial	1 mg	Injection	
Non-small Cell Lung Cancer	3002811	Tarpib	25 mg	Tablet	Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer; and EGFR positive; and 1st line treatment only
	3002816	Tarpib	100 mg	Tablet	
	3002632	Erlocip	100 mg	Tablet	
	3002419	Terlot	100 mg	Tablet	
	3007451	Bilura	100 mg	Tablet	
	3007452	Bilura	150 mg	Tablet	
	3002817	Tarpib	150 mg	Tablet	
	3002633	Erlocip	150 mg	Tablet	
	3002420	Terlot	150 mg	Tablet	
	723384	Pemetrexed accord powder for solution vial	500 mg	Infusion	1st line treatment only; and Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer; and Non-squamous subtype; and Locally advanced stage; or Metastatic stage
	3002218	Pemject powder for solution vial	500 mg	Infusion	
	3003490	Extreda vial powder concentrate for solution	500 mg	Infusion	
	3002874	Pexitaz 500 powder for solution for Infusionusion vial	500 mg	Infusion	
	3003581	Pexali powder for solution vial	500 mg	Infusion	
	3005136	Apimex 500 powder concentrate for solution vial	500 mg	Infusion	
	3003580	Pexali powder for solution vial	100 mg	Infusion	
	3003489	Extreda vial powder concentrate for solution	100 mg	Infusion	

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Metastatic Breast Cancer	3000927	Ogivri vial powder for reconstitution with diluent	440mg	Infusion	Breast cancer; and HER2 positive; and Metastatic stage; and 1st line treatment only
	3002658	Trastuzumab cipla vial powder for recon with diluent	440mg	Infusion	
Metastatic castrate resistant prostate cancer	3002439	Teroread	250 mg	Tablet	Prostate cancer; and Metastatic stage; and Castration-resistant
	3002487	Protyga	250 mg	Tablet	
	3006933	Abizista	250 mg	Tablet	
	3004852	Heteran	250 mg	Tablet	
	720690	Zytiga	250 mg	Tablet	
	3002660	Abiraterone cipla	250 mg	Tablet	
	3006934	Abizista	500 mg	Tablet	
	3007584	Teroread	500 mg	Tablet	
Metastatic Colorectal Cancer	3005441	Abevmy 400mg	400mg/ 16ml	Injection	Colorectal cancer; and Metastatic stage; and 1st line treatment only
	3005459	Bevamyl 400mg	400 mg	Injection	
	3005442	Abevmy 100mg	100mg / 4ml	Injection	
	3005458	Bevamyl 100mg	100mg / 4ml	Injection	
	714612	Vectibix vial 5ml	20mg/1mL	Injection	Colorectal cancer; and RAS wildtype only; and Metastatic stage; and 1st line treatment only
	715052	Erbix 20ml	5mg/1mL	Infusion	
	715052	Erbix vial 50ml	2mg/1mL	Infusion	

Use our designated service providers (DSPs)

You have cover in our designated service provider (DSP) networks and for providers who we have a payment arrangement with.

You should use our pharmacy designated service provider (DSP) for approved oncology medicine. Speak to your treating doctor and confirm that they are using our network pharmacy for your medicine received for treatment in their rooms or in a treatment facility.

For approved oncology-related medicine where the doctor provides you with a prescription, you should use a MedXpress Network pharmacy. To find a MedXpress Network pharmacy visit www.discovery.co.za or choose Medical aid > Find a healthcare provider on the Discovery Health app.

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Our goal is to provide support for you in the times when you need it most.

How to contact us

Tel (members): 0860 99 88 77, Tel (health partners): 0860 44 55 66

Go to www.discovery.co.za to Get Help or ask a question on WhatsApp. Save this number 0860 756 756 on your phone and say "Hi" to start chatting with us 24/7.

PO Box 784262, Sandton, 2146. 1 Discovery Place, Sandton, 2196.

What to do if you have a complaint

01 | TO TAKE YOUR QUERY FURTHER:

If you have already contacted the Discovery Health Medical Scheme and feel that your query has still not been resolved, please complete our online complaints form on www.discovery.co.za. We would also love to hear from you if we have exceeded your expectations.

02 | TO CONTACT THE PRINCIPAL OFFICER:

If you are still not satisfied with the resolution of your complaint after following the process in Step 1 you are able to escalate your complaint to the Principal Officer of the Discovery Health Medical Scheme. You may lodge a query or complaint with Discovery Health Medical Scheme by completing the online form on www.discovery.co.za or by emailing principalofficer@discovery.co.za.

03 | TO LODGE A DISPUTE:

If you have received a final decision from Discovery Health Medical Scheme and want to challenge it, you may lodge a formal dispute. You can find more information of the Scheme's dispute process on the [website](#).

04 | TO CONTACT THE COUNCIL FOR MEDICAL SCHEMES:

Discovery Health Medical Scheme is regulated by the Council for Medical Schemes. You may contact the Council at any stage of the complaints process, but we encourage you to first follow the steps above to resolve your complaint before contacting the Council. Contact details for the Council for Medical Schemes: Council for Medical Schemes Complaints Unit, Block A, Eco Glades 2 Office Park, 420 Witch-Hazel Avenue, Eco Park, Centurion 0157 | complaints@medicalschemes.co.za | 0861 123 267 | www.medicalschemes.co.za.

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