

# ONCOLOGY TREATMENT BASKETS

DISCOVERY HEALTH MEDICAL SCHEME 2025





# **Overview**

This document will provide you with information about the Oncology treatment baskets available to you, such as access to consultations, radiology, pathology and procedure codes or treatments you are eligible for.

# **Staging baskets**

You have access to items from the staging basket from the date of your diagnosis until you start with active treatment (radiotherapy or chemotherapy or a combination of both). This basket is only available for 120 days. The basket provides the necessary work up and management of your condition.

DESCRIPTION OF TEST OR PROCEDURE	PROCEDURE OR TEST CODE	QUANTITY
Consultations	0190 or 0191 or 0192	Up to six
Chest X-ray	30100 or 30110 or 30155	One
Lymph node studies (Nuclear medicine study)	69940 or 69945 or 69950 or 69955 or 69960 or 79940 or 79945 or 79960 or 79950 or 39940 or 39945 or 39950	One
Bone scans (including whole body tumour studies) (Nuclear medicine study)	10910 or 51910 or 52910 or 55910 or 56910 or 56920 or 71905 or 53910 or 00900 or 00903 or 00909 or 00915 or 00912 or 00918 or 00965 or 29905	One
Ultrasound studies (abdomen, neck, pelvic organs, renal tract, soft tissue or pleural space)	40200 or 40210 or 41200 or 3627 or 20210 or 20200 or5100 or 3628 or 60200 or 5101 or 3629 or 30200 or 30210 or 30220	Up to two
CT or MRI scans (brain, abdomen, pelvis and chest)	10300 or 10310 or 10320 or 10410 or 10420 or 10430 or 10440 or 30320 or 30330 or 30350 or 30400 or 30420 or 40300 or 40310 or 40313 or 40320 or 40323 or 40330 or 40333 or 40337 or 40340 or 40355 or 40345 or 40350 or 40400 or 40410 or 40420 or 40430 or 41410 or 41400	Up to two
Full blood count (FBC)	(3755 or 53755) or (3739 or 53739) and (3762 or 53762) and (3783 or 53783) and (3785 or 53785) and (3791 or 53791)	One
Platelet count	3797 or 53797	One
Liver function test (LFT)	3999 or 4001 or 4009or 4010 or 4117 or 4130 or 4131or 4134 or 53999 or 54001 or 54009 or 54010 or 54117 or 54130 or 54131 or 54134	One
U & E including creatinine (U&E)	4171 or 4032 or 4151 or 4223 or 4315 or 4357 or 54221 or 54171 or 54032	One
Creatinine tests	4032 or 4221 or 4223 or 54032 or 54221 or 54223	One
Potassium	(4113 or 54113) or (4315 or 54315) or (4357 or 54357)	One

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DESCRIPTION OF TEST OR PROCEDURE	PROCEDURE OR TEST CODE	QUANTITY
Sodium	4114 or 54114	One
Urea	4151 or 54151	One
Urine Dipstick	4188 or 54188	Up to two
Tumour markers	54462 or 4462 or 54460 or 4460 or 4468 or 54468 or 54471 or 4471	One
Histology	4567 or 4571 or 4582 or 4584 or 4587 or 4589 or 4591 or 4592 or 4470 or 54470 or 4469 or 54469	One

### **Active treatment baskets**

You have access to items from the active treatment basket during your oncology treatment (radiotherapy or chemotherapy or a combination of both) and for follow up after each treatment cycle. This includes access to consultations and tests that you may require during treatment. The active treatment basket is available from the date that we authorise your treatment up until your treatment is expected to end. This basket allows for you to have continuous treatment up to a period of 12 months.

Other items that you may require while you are on active treatment include the following:

- Hydration items: Automatically available to you while you are on active treatment. Includes the fluids (drips) required during chemotherapy.
- Surgical items: Available while you are on active treatment. Includes items such as syringes, needles and drip sets used during treatment.
- Supportive formulary: This is a list of medications which you may need in the management of your condition or the possible side effects that you may experience while on treatment.
- Oxygen, Stoma products and PET scans: To access these items, you will need authorisation. Your treating doctor will need to let us know when you need them.

DESCRIPTION OF TEST OR PROCEDURE	PROCEDURE OR TEST CODE	QUANTITY
Consultations	0190 or 0191 or 0192 or 0130 or VCON	Up to 10
X-ray (chest)	30100 or 30110 or 30155	Up to two
Nuclear medicine study (lymph nodes)	69940 or 69945 or 69950 or 69955 or 69960 or 79940 or 79945 or 79960 or 79950 or 39940 or 39945 or 39950	Up to two
Ultrasound studies (abdomen, neck, pelvic organs, renal tract, soft tissue, pleural space, high-definition small parts)	3627 or 40200 or 40210 or 41200 or 20210 or 20200 or 5100 or 3628 or 60200 or 5101 or 3629 or 30200 or 30210 or 30220	Up to two
Full blood count (FBC)	(3755 or 53755) or (3739 or 53739) and (3762 or 53762) and (3783 or 53783) and (3785 or 53785) and (3791 or 53791)	Up to eight
Platelet count	3797 or 53797	Up to eight
Liver function test (LFT)	3999 ,4001, 4009, 4010 ,4117, 4130, 4131, 4134, 53999, 54001, 54009, 54010, 54117, 54130, 54131, 54134	Up to four
U & E including creatinine (U&E)	4171, 4032 or 4151 or 4223 or 4315 or 4357 or 54221 or 54171 or 54032	Up to six

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Creatinine tests	4032 or 4221 or 4223 or 54032 or 54221 or 54223	Up to four
Potassium	(4113 or 54113) or (4315 or 54315) or (4357 or 54357)	Up to four
Sodium	4114 or 54114	Up to four
Urea	4151 or 54151	Up to four
Urine dipstick	4188 or 54188	Up to four
Tumour markers	54462 or 4462 or 54460 or 4460 or 4468 or 54468 or 54471 or 4471 or 4470 or 54470 or 4469 or 54469	Up to four
Calcium, Magnesium, Phosphate	(4017 or 54017) or (4094 or 54094) or (4109 or 54109)	Up to four
PTT & PI	3805 or 53805 or 3837 or 53837	Up to two
Iron studies	4071 or 54701 or 4528 or 54528 or 44144 or 54144	Up to two

# Ongoing management (maintenance) basket

You have access to consultations, pathology and radiology that you may require for your scheduled follow-ups only once you have completed your active treatment. The ongoing management basket is also available to members that are on hormonal therapy. This basket will top up after each year.

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Consultations	0190 or 0191 or 0192 or 0130 or VCON	Up to six
X-ray (chest)	30100 or 30110 or 30155	Up to two
Nuclear medicine study (lymph nodes)	69940 or 69945 or 69950 or 69955 or 69960 or 79940 or 79945 or 79960 or 79950 or 39940 or 39945 or 39950	One
Ultrasound studies (abdomen, neck, pelvic organs, renal tract, soft tissue, pleural space, high definition small parts)	3627 or 40200 or 40210 or 41200 or 20210 or 20200 or 5100 or 3628 or 60200 or 5101 or 3629 or 30200 or 30210 or 30220	Up to two
Full blood count (FBC)	(3755 or 53755) or (3739 or 53739) and (3762 or 53762) and (3783 or 53783) and (3785 or 53785) and (3791 or 53791)	Up to three
Platelet count	3797 or 53797	Up to three
Liver function test (LFT)	3999, 4001, 4009, 4010, 4117, 4130, 4131, 4134, 53999, 54001, 54009, 54010, 54117, 54130, 54131, 54134	Up to two
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Potassium	4113 or 4315 or 4357 or 54113 or 54315 or 54357	one
Sodium	4114 or 54114	Up to two
Urea	4151 or 54151	Up to two
Urine dipstick	4188 or 54188	Up to two
Tumour markers	54462 or 4462 or 54460 or 4460 or 4468 or 54468 or 54471 or 4471 or 4470 or 54470 or 4469 or 54469	Up to two
Calcium, Magnesium, Phosphate	(4017 or 54017) or (4094 or 54094) or (4109 or 54109)	Up to two
PTT & PI	3805 or 53805 or 3837 or 53837	Up to two

# Request for additional items or tests

If you require additional items, such as specific tests or medicine or procedures, your doctor needs to let us know by emailing the request to <a href="mailto:DCO\_ONCOLOGY@discovery.co.za">DCO\_ONCOLOGY@discovery.co.za</a>. The Case Management team will review each case individually. If approved, these items will pay from the Oncology or other appropriate benefits.

# **Available oncology limits and benefit Information**

For more details about your available limits and benefit information you can view the most up-to-date Oncology Care Programme benefit guide when you log in to our website at <a href="https://www.discovery.co.za">www.discovery.co.za</a>.



# Working to care for and protect you

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 <a href="www.discovery.co.za">www.discovery.co.za</a> 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 <a href="https://www.discovery.co.za">www.discovery.co.za</a>. 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 <a href="https://www.discovery.co.za">www.discovery.co.za</a> or by emailing <a href="mailto:principalofficer@discovery.co.za">principalofficer@discovery.co.za</a>.

### 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 <u>website</u>.

### 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.

# Your privacy is important to us

We hold your privacy in the highest regard. Our unwavering commitment to protecting your personal information and ensuring the security and confidentiality of your data is clearly outlined in our Privacy Statement. You can view our latest version on <a href="https://www.discovery.co.za">www.discovery.co.za</a> > Medical aid > About Discovery Health Medical Scheme.