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CIRCULAR 39 OF 2015: INVITATION TO COMMENT ON THE RESULTS OF ITAP INITIATIVE WITH REGARD TO MANAGED CARE TREATMENT GUIDELINES OF HIV AS CHRONIC DISEASE CONDITION

The Industry Technical Advisory Panel (ITAP) is a panel of experts and participants who contribute towards the mandate of measuring the impact of managed care interventions.

It was resolved to commence with a process to create a mechanism in collaboration with industry stakeholders to measure and evaluate the performance of managed care organisations which are accredited. These entities are required to demonstrate their value proposition as it relates to the manner in which they render the managed care services to beneficiaries of medical schemes contracted to them.

The process adopted includes the development of entry level criteria, process indicators and outcomes for all chronic disease conditions which medical schemes provide to their beneficiaries as part of the prescribed minimum benefits. The first thereof to be circulated is HIV/AIDS while other conditions will be circulated as and when the work has been finalised over time. Documentation links below:

1. Minimum data specification: Process indicators and clinical outcomes including related HIV ICD-10 treatment codes (Excel spreadsheet).
2. ICD-10 Codes applicable to identifying HIV treatment as entry and verification criteria with notes thereto; and
3. Explanatory note to the managed care HIV minimum data specification.
Please consider the self-explanatory documentation with regard to the treatment of HIV/AIDS by medical schemes and their contracted parties and furnish this office with any comments or suggested changes you may have.

Kindly furnish such comments to the Accreditation Unit for the attention of Ms B van der Walt by e-mail to b.vdwalt@medicalschemas.com by 31 July 2015.

A final document incorporating the comments and suggested changes by stakeholders will thereafter be published for the information of stakeholders. It will be introduced in the evaluation process and standards to accredit managed care organisations which provide these services.

We appreciate your participation in this process.

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