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Prof. Yosuf Veriava is the new Chairperson of the Council for Medical Schemes (CMS).

He was appointed to the position by the Minister of Health on 29 November 2012.

Prof. Veriava is the Special Advisor to the Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of the Witwatersrand (Wits) in Johannesburg. He was previously Advisor to the Vice Dean, who was also the Head of the School of Clinical Medicine. Prof. Veriava has worked in the public sector throughout his career. He was associated with Wits first as a student and then as a member of staff for nearly 50 years.

"I am thankful and grateful to the Minister for appointing me to this very important and prominent position in the Council for Medical Schemes," said Prof. Veriava on his appointment. "Together with the highly skilled and experienced members of Council as well as the staff of this institution, I aim to promote the best interest of the millions of members of medical schemes during my tenure of office as Chairperson."

"I am happy to welcome Prof. Veriava to the CMS family and hope and trust that his tenure with us will be fruitful and rewarding both for him and for the industry we serve," said Dr Monwabisi Gantsho, Chief Executive of the CMS and Registrar of Medical Schemes. "The CMS is strengthened by this appointment as we continue to discharge our regulatory mandate of protecting beneficiaries and assisting medical schemes in support of national health policy."

The CMS is the regulator of the medical schemes industry, responsible for enforcing compliance with the Medical Schemes Act 131 of 1998 to ensure that the interests of beneficiaries are prioritised at all times.

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