COUNCIL FOR MEDICAL SCHEMES LEVIES ACT 58 OF 2000

NOTICES

GNR.1440 of 8 June 2001: Imposition of levies on medical schemes

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The Council for Medical Schemes referred to in section 1 of the Council for Medical Schemes Levies Act, 2000 (Act No. 58 of 2000) after consultation with the Minister of Health and with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance, hereby confirms the imposition of levies on medical schemes, as set out in the Notice of Levies (No. 22029) on Medical Schemes contained in the Schedule. By order of the Council for Medical Schemes.

N PADAYACHEE Chairperson: Council for Medical Schemes

SCHEDULE

1. Definitions.—In this notice, unless the context indicates otherwise—

"Council" means the Council for Medical Schemes referred to in the Act;

"Levy year" means the period from 1 February 2001 to 31 December 2001 and, subject to the provision of this Notice and any amendment, substitution or repeal thereof, in succeeding years in respect of which levies are imposed, the period commencing on 1 January and terminating on 31 December of such years;

"**Registrar**" means the Registrar of Medical Schemes, appointed in terms of section 18 of the Medical Schemes Act, 1998 (Act No. 131 of 1998);

"The Act" means the Council for Medical Schemes Levies Act, 2000 (Act No. 58 of 2000).

2. Levies.—In respect of a medical scheme registered in terms of section 20 of the Medical Schemes Act, 1998 (Act No. 131 of 1998), the levy for the 2001 levy year shall be an amount of R8,06 per member per year, which shall be paid in two equal installments, the first of which shall be paid not later than 30 June of the levy year, and the second of which shall be paid not later than 31 August of the levy year.

3. In respect of the levy year, the number of members referred to in item 2 shall correspond with the latest statistics on record with the Council, as obtained from the latest returns furnished to the Registrar in terms of or by virtue of the Medical Schemes Act, 1998 (Act No. 131 of 1998) or with the latest certified number of members sent to the Registrar by the medical scheme.

4. Payment of Levies.—With respect to overdue levies, interest will be charged from the date on which the interest became due and payable, at a rate equal to the uniform interest rate applicable to a debt owing by the state, as determined by the Minister of Finance in terms of section 80 (1) (b) of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999.

5. All amounts referred to in this Schedule are exclusive of VAT.

6. The levies and interest (if any) payable in terms of this Notice shall be paid by a medical scheme directly in the bank account of the Council, the details of which are:

Bank:	ABSA
Account Holder:	Council for Medical Schemes
Branch Name:	ABSA Corporate Branch (Cnr Pretorius and Vermeulen Street, Pretoria)
Branch Code:	517 245
Account Number:	405 116 3394

7. A deposit advice slip issued by the aforementioned Bank in respect of a deposit contemplated in item 7, received by the Council for Medical Schemes, and bearing the name of the relevant medical scheme, shall serve as *prima facie* proof of payment of a levy.