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## Circular 51 of 2019: Communication for the Section 59 Investigation

The Council for Medical Schemes (CMS) hereby gives notice that as of 15 July 2019, all communication pertaining to the Section 59 Investigation will emanate directly from the Section 59 Investigating Panel.

The Section 59 Investigation follows allegations made by medical practitioners that they are treated unfairly, racially profiled and their funds are being withheld by the medical schemes and their administrators. The Section 59 Investigation Panel will be chaired by Advocate Tembeka Ngcukaitobi (SC), who will be supported by Advocates Adila Hassim and Kerry Williams.

The Investigation panel has appointed Hogan Lovells Inc as the briefing attorneys, and all communication regarding the Section 59 Investigation should be directed to them on the following details:

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The <u>Terms of Reference</u>, and <u>Rules of Procedure</u> of the Section 59 Investigation Panel have been published on the Section 59 Investigation <u>website</u>.

## Submissions

The Section 59 Investigation is receiving written submissions from all interested parties until 19 July 2019 through the email <u>cmsinvestigation@medicalschemes.com</u>.

Public Hearings and Interviews

Public Hearings will take place from 10:00 – 16:30 on the dates listed below at the CMS' Offices in Centurion.

| Description                  | Dates                     |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| JULY/AUGUST                  |                           |
| Public Hearing 1             | 29 July – 2 August 2019   |
| Private bilateral interviews | 12 - 14 August 2019       |
| Public Hearing 2             | 20, 21 and 23 August 2019 |
| Public Hearing 3             | 29 - 30 August 2019       |
| SEPTEMBER                    |                           |
| Public Hearing 4             | 11 - 13 September 2019    |
| Public Hearing 5             | 17 - 19 September 2019    |
| Public Hearing 6             | 25 - 27 September 2019    |

There will be no hearings in October unless the need arises. The full report will be published on 1 November 2019 by the panel.

Announcements, additional information, daily summaries, and transcriptions will also be made available on the Section 59 Investigation website.

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