

PRESS RELEASE

Reference : Attend your medical scheme's AGM – and win!

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Attend your medical scheme's Annual General Meeting, answer two easy questions using the Facebook and Twitter accounts of the Council for Medical Schemes (CMS) – and stand a chance to have your scheme contributions paid for three months!

The CMS launched a healthcare consumer education campaign and competition last week to encourage medical scheme beneficiaries to become more involved in the affairs of their respective schemes.

How to enter the competition

First, attend your scheme's AGM.

Second, like us on Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/pages/Council-for-Medical-Schemes/126756667407558?fref=ts) and/or follow us on Twitter (https://twitter.com/CMSCares4u).

Third, answer the following two questions on our Facebook page or our Twitter account:

- 1. To which regulator should you report the unethical or illegal conduct of your healthcare provider, such as your doctor or specialist?
- 2. Your medical scheme refuses to cover your guaranteed benefits and the dispute remains unresolved after you tried to reach an agreement with your scheme. To which regulator should you turn for help?

Competition rules

- CMS management, staff, suppliers, and their families may not participate in the competition.
- Proof of medical scheme membership (a copy of your medical scheme card) as well as of your attendance at the AGM is needed to enter the competition. Proxy votes unfortunately do not qualify.

Read more about the campaign and competition on the CMS website: http://www.medicalschemes.com/ReadNews.aspx?57.

The competition closes on 31 August 2013, and winners will be notified by 17 September 2013.

So, for starters, make sure you get to your scheme's AGM this year!

The dates of the AGMs are:

Medical schemes (in alphabetical order)	Date of AGM 2013
Parmed Medical Aid Scheme (R)	* (See comment below table)
April	
Pharos Medical Plan (O)	25 April
Resolution Health Medical Scheme (O)	30 April
Witbank Coalfields Medical Aid Scheme (R)	22 April
May	
Anglo Medical Scheme (R)	15 May
Anglovaal Group Medical Scheme (R)	23 May
Bestmed Medical Scheme (O)	31 May
BP Medical Aid Society (R)	23 May
Chartered Accountants (SA) Medical Aid Fund (CAMAF) (R)	30 May
Cape Medical Plan (O)	28 May
De Beers Benefit Society (R)	15 May
Pick & Pay Medical Scheme (R)	22 May
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June	
AECI Medical Aid Society (R)	26 June
Afrox Medical Aid Society (R)	20 June
Altron Medical Aid Scheme (R)	26 June
Bankmed (R)	19 June
Barloworld Medical Scheme (R)	12 June
BMW Employees Medical Aid Society (R)	19 June
Bonitas Medical Fund (O)	18 June
Building & Construction Industry Medical Aid Fund (R)	8 June
Compcare Wellness Medical Scheme (O)	25 June
Discovery Health Medical Scheme (O)	20 June
Engen Medical Benefit Fund (R)	13 June
Fedhealth Medical Scheme (O)	26 June
Fishing Industry Medical Scheme (Fishmed) (R)	18 June
Food Workers Medical Benefit Fund (R)	28 June
Genesis Medical Scheme (O)	21 June
Golden Arrows Employees Medical Benefit Fund (R)	19 June
Gold Fields Medical Scheme (R)	27 June
Grintek Electronics Medical Aid Scheme (R)	19 June
Horizon Medical Scheme (R)	14 June
IBM (SA) Medical Scheme (R)	26 June
LA Health Medical Scheme (R)	19 June

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Libcare Medical Scheme (R)	28 June
Liberty Medical Scheme (O)	27 June
Lonmin Medical Scheme (R)	20 June
Makoti Medical Scheme (O)	4 June
Malcor Medical Scheme (R)	26 June
Massmart Health Plan (R)	6 June
MBMed Medical Aid Fund (R)	12 June
Medihelp (O)	20 June
Medimed Medical Scheme (O)	5 June
Medipos Medical Scheme (R)	26 June
Metropolitan Medical Scheme (R)	5 June
Minemed Medical Scheme (R)	5 June
Momentum Health (O)	20 June
Motohealth Care (R)	20 June
Naspers Medical Fund (R)	28 June
Netcare Medical Scheme (R)	19 June
Old Mutual Staff Medical Aid Fund (R)	24 June
PG Bison Medical Aid Society (R)	26 June
PG Group Medical Scheme (R)	12 June
Platinum Health (R)	7 June
Profmed (R)	5 June
Quantum Medical Aid Society (R)	27 June
Rand Water Medical Scheme (R)	20 June
Remedi Medical Aid Scheme (R)	26 June
Retail Medical Scheme (R)	20 June
Rhodes University Medical Scheme (R)	11 June
SA Breweries Medical Aid Society (R)	6 June
SABC Medical Aid Scheme (R)	13 June
SAMWUMed (R)	25 June
Sasolmed (R)	21 June
Selfmed Medical Scheme (O)	29 June
Sizwe Medical Fund (O)	28 June
Spectramed (O)	27 June
Suremed Health (O)	21 June
Thebemed (O)	27 June
TFG Medical Aid Scheme (R)	20 June
Tiger Brands Medical Scheme (R)	20 June
Topmed Medical Scheme (O)	19 June
Transmed Medical Fund (R)	19 June
Tsogo Sun Group Medical Scheme (R)	28 June
Umvuzo Health Medical Scheme (R)	14 June
University of the Witwatersrand Staff Medical Aid Scheme (R)	11 June
Wooltru Healthcare Fund (R)	26 June
Xstrata Medical Aid Scheme (R)	11 June

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July	
Alliance Midmed Medical Scheme (R)	18 July
Community Medical Aid Scheme (COMMED) (R)	27 July
Government Employees Medical Scheme (GEMS) (R)	31 July
Hosmed Medical Aid Scheme (O)	26 July
Impala Medical Plan (R)	19 July
Imperial Group Medical Scheme (R)	19 July
Keyhealth (O)	26 July
Medshield Medical Scheme (O)	31 July
Nedgroup Medical Aid Scheme (R)	17 July
Sedmed (R)	25 July
South African Police Service Medical Scheme (POLMED) (R)	19 July
August	
University of KwaZulu-Natal Medical Scheme (R)	14 August

^{*} Parmed Medical Aid Scheme was unable to confirm the date of its Annual General Meeting (AGM) by the time this press release was being published. The scheme should be contacted directly to find out when its AGM will be held. Its call centre, operated by its administrator Medscheme Holdings (Pty) Ltd, can be reached on 086 000 2126, 011 671 2000, or medscheme@medscheme.co.za.

O = open medical scheme

R = restricted medical scheme

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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