

SUMMARY OF BONITAS MEDICINE BENEFITS

2021

	CHRONIC				ACUTE		OTHER	
	CONDITIONS COVERED	CHRONIC FORMULARY	DSP	CHRONIC BIOLOGICAL	ACUTE FORMULARY	DSP	MEL & REFERENCE PRICING	CONTRACEPTIVE BENEFIT
BONCOMPREHENSIVE	60 chronic conditions (incl. 27 PMBs). Visit www.bonitas.co.za for list of conditions	Comprehensive PMB Formulary	Preferred Provider = Bonitas Pharmacy Network	R200 100 per family	20% co-payment applies above threshold if medicine on acute out-of-formulary list.	20% co-payment if medicine claimed from non-network pharmacy. Co-payment applies above threshold only.	Medicine Exclusion List (MEL) & Bonitas Reference Pricing applies	R1 660 per family
BONCLASSIC	47 chronic conditions (incl. 27 PMBs) Visit www.bonitas.co.za for list of conditions	Standard PMB Formulary	Bonitas Pharmacy Network when benefits available. Pharmacy Direct when benefits depleted.	PMBs only	Acute medicine subject to savings benefit	Acute medicine subject to savings benefit	Medicine Exclusion List (MEL) & Bonitas Reference Pricing applies	R1 660 per family Subject to use of Pharmacy Direct as the DSP
BONCOMPLETE	31 chronic conditions (incl. 27 PMBs) Visit www.bonitas.co.za for list of conditions	Standard PMB Formulary	Pharmacy Direct	PMBs only	20% co-payment applies for medicine on acute out-of-formulary list. Co-payment applies above threshold only.	20% co-payment if medicine claimed from non-network pharmacy. Co-payment applies above threshold only.	Medicine Exclusion List (MEL) & Bonitas Reference Pricing applies	R1 660 per family Subject to use of Pharmacy Direct as the DSP
BONSAVE	PMBs only	Standard PMB Formulary	Pharmacy Direct	PMBs only	Acute medicine subject to savings benefit	Acute medicine subject to savings benefit	MEL & Bonitas Reference Pricing applies	R1 660 per family Subject to use of Pharmacy Direct as the DSP
BONFIT SELECT	PMBs only	Standard PMB Formulary	Pharmacy Direct	PMBs only	Acute medicine subject to savings benefit	Acute medicine subject to savings benefit	Medicine Exclusion List (MEL) & Bonitas Reference Pricing applies	R1 660 per family Subject to use of Pharmacy Direct as the DSP
BONSTART	PMBs only	Low Option Chronic Formulary	Pharmacy Direct	PMBs only	Low Option Acute formulary applies	Bonitas Pharmacy Network applies	Low Option Acute formulary applies	R1 070 per family Subject to use of Pharmacy Direct as the DSP
STANDARD	45 chronic conditions (incl. 27 PMBs) Visit www.bonitas.co.za for list of conditions	Comprehensive PMB Formulary when benefits available. Standard PMB Formulary when benefits are depleted	Bonitas Pharmacy Network when benefits available. Pharmacy Direct when benefits depleted.	PMBs only	20% co-payment applies if medicine is on acute out-of-formulary list	20% co-payment if medicine claimed from non-network pharmacy	Medicine Exclusion List (MEL) & Bonitas Reference Pricing applies	R1 660 per family Subject to use of Pharmacy Direct as the DSP
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PRIMARY	PMBs only	Standard PMB Formulary	Pharmacy Direct	PMBs only	20% co-payment applies if medicine is on acute out-of-formulary list	20% co-payment if medicine claimed from non-network pharmacy	Medicine Exclusion List (MEL) & Bonitas Reference Pricing applies	R1 660 per family Subject to use of Pharmacy Direct as the DSP
PRIMARY SELECT	PMBs only	Standard PMB Formulary	Pharmacy Direct	PMBs only	20% co-payment applies if medicine is on acute out-of-formulary list	20% co-payment if medicine claimed from non-network pharmacy	Medicine Exclusion List (MEL) & Bonitas Reference Pricing applies medicine	R1 660 per family Subject to use of Pharmacy Direct as the DSP
HOSPITAL STANDARD	PMBs only	Standard PMB Formulary	Pharmacy Direct	PMBs only	No benefit available	No benefit available	Medicine Exclusion List (MEL) & Bonitas Reference Pricing applies	R1 660 per family Subject to use of Pharmacy Direct as the DSP
BONESSENTIAL	PMBs only	Standard PMB Formulary	Pharmacy Direct	PMBs only	No benefit available	No benefit available	Medicine Exclusion List (MEL) & Bonitas Reference Pricing applies	R1 330 per family Subject to use of Pharmacy Direct as the DSP
BONESSENTIAL SELECT	PMBs only	Standard PMB Formulary	Pharmacy Direct	PMBs only	No benefit available	No benefit available	Medicine Exclusion List (MEL) & Bonitas Reference Pricing applies	R1 330 per family Subject to use of Pharmacy Direct as the DSP
BONCAP	PMBs only	Low Option Chronic Formulary	Pharmacy Direct	PMBs only	Low Option Acute formulary applies	Bonitas Pharmacy Network applies	Low Option Acute formulary applies	R1 110 per family Subject to use of Pharmacy Direct as the DSP

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WHERE TO VIEW BONITAS FORMULARIES AND MEDICINE PRICE LISTS

FORMULARY NAME	FORMULARY TYPE	WEBSITE LINK	WEB PATHWAY
*Comprehensive PMB Formulary	Chronic	http://www.medscheme.com/products-and-services/health-risk-management/pharmacy-benefit-management/	www.medscheme.co.za >> products and services >> pharmacy benefit management
*Standard PMB Formulary	Chronic		
Low Option Chronic Formulary	Chronic		
Acute Out-of-Formulary List	Acute		
Low Option Acute Formulary	Acute		
Medicine Exclusion List	Exclusion List		
Bonitas Reference Price List	Generic Reference Pricing	https://scriptpharm.co.za/bonitas-reference-price-list/	www.scriptpharm.co.za >> medical schemes >> Bonitas >> reference price list

*Please note: Reimbursement of formulary items is subject to the Chronic Medicine Management clinical guidelines and protocols and the Bonitas Reference Price List.

QUESTION	RESPONSE
How to apply for chronic medicine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please call the Bonitas Contact Centre on 0861 100 220 or email chronicmeds@bonitas.co.za. • You can also log in to www.medscheme.com > log in as a provider > click chronic application > insert membership number
Why do some patients have a co-pay on their chronic medication	<p>Co-payments can be avoided by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuring the patient makes use of the Designate Service Provider (DSP) • Ensuring that the patient is registered on the Chronic Programme • Prescribing in-formulary drugs • Asking the pharmacist to substitute expensive medications with a generic equivalent that will attract a co-payment • Patients needs to be registered on the Chronic Medicine Management Programme • Prescribing in-formulary drugs
Why is the Day-to-day limit not sufficient for the medication that is needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Payment of medication is subjected to Scheme Rules • Member's day-to-day benefit may have been exhausted
Why does medication that is prescribed by doctors gets changed at the Pharmacy	<p>The Pharmacist may need to change prescribed medication if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the medication prescribed by the HCP is not on the Bonitas formulary • If the pharmacy does not have the specific drug in stock • If the patient requests for more affordable medication

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