



Health Alert: Momentum Health Access Option replaced by new Impact Option

While the formal approval process for the new Impact Option is still underway, the Council for Medical Schemes has agreed that we replace the Access Option with the Impact Option and make it available as an EDO (Efficiency Discount Option).

This is good news, as the Impact Option offers an exciting new opportunity for us to extend healthcare cover to more South Africans, while adding even more flexibility and choice to our offering.

The contributions on the Impact Option will be determined by the member's income band, as well as the chronic provider they choose. The same income definitions will apply as for the Ingwe Option. Major Medical Benefits and Day-to-day Benefits will be provided by the Impact Networks, consisting of the same providers that belonged to the Access Networks, and offering the same benefits.

Provider choice

Hospital provider	Chronic provider	Day-to-day provider
Impact Network hospitals	Any	Impact Primary Care Network
	Impact Primary Care Network	
	State facilities	

Contributions

Impact Option		Hospital	Chronic	Day-to-day	P	A	C
Monthly income	<= R8 500	Impact Network	State	Impact Primary Care Network	R1 140	R1 140	R405
			Impact Primary Care Network		R1 900	R1 900	R570
			Any		R2 150	R2 150	R635
	R8 501 - R11 700	Impact Network	State	Impact Primary Care Network	R1 305	R1 305	R435
			Impact Primary Care Network		R2 025	R2 025	R605
			Any		R2 270	R2 270	R675
	R11 701 +	Impact Network	State	Impact Primary Care Network	R2 350	R2 350	R785
			Impact Primary Care Network		R2 350	R2 350	R785
			Any		R2 630	R2 630	R880

Members currently on the Access Option

The Access Option will be renamed as the Impact Option. Members currently on the Access Option will default to the Impact Option with Impact Primary Care Network providers as their chronic provider, or they can choose to move to any other Momentum Health Option by completing an Option Selection form.

If we don't receive an Option Selection form, they will automatically move to the Impact Option with Impact Primary Care Network chronic provider and we will need proof of income for them to qualify for the relevant lower contribution in 2018.

Year-end communication

The changes have led to a delay in the finalisation of our year-end communication. We are doing our best to update and distribute the communication, including the Option Selection form, to employer groups and members by 4 November 2017. Members will still have 30 days from when the communication goes out to submit their option choice for 2018, should they wish to change their option.

2018 Marketing material

This change affects most of the 2018 marketing material, including brochures, focus pages, presentations, application forms, calculators and comparisons. We have started to update the material and appreciate your patience during this process.

Please discard any existing 2018 marketing material that you still have in stock once you receive your updated material.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

