

ELA CORE

ABOUT THIS BENEFIT OPTION



REASONS WHY THE LA CORE OPTION IS THE BEST CHOICE FOR YOU

This Option has a Major Medical Benefit for all in-hospital and large expenses. It provides cover for medicine for Chronic Disease List conditions that form part of the Prescribed Minimum Benefits, as well as for several additional chronic conditions. It pays for day-to-day expenses from a Medical Savings Account, with additional cover for specific disciplines through Extended Day-to-day Benefits (GPs, specialists, dentists, acute medicine, radiology, pathology and optical benefits). All planned procedures must be preauthorised.



Prescribed Minimum Benefits

Prescribed Minimum Benefits are paid at cost, subject to clinical criteria. If you go to a KeyCare Network Hospital, the Scheme's Designated Service Provider for Prescribed Minimum Benefits, or a Specialist in the KeyCare hospital or a Discovery Health Network GP or a Premier A or Premier B Specialist admits you, we will pay all claims related to the authorised procedure or treatment in full, even if some of the other providers treating you are not Designated Service Providers.

If you do not go to a KeyCare Network Hospital and/or your admitting GP or Specialist is not a DSP provider, the Scheme will pay the PMB claims up to the LA Health Rate only.

Out-of-hospital Prescribed Minimum
Benefits are paid in full, subject to
the use of the Scheme's Designated
Service Providers, or at cost when there
are no Designated Service Providers.

Non-PMB Benefits are paid up to 100% of the LA Health Rate, subject to clinical criteria, the use of the Scheme's Network providers and applicable limits.

We cover you in an emergency

LA Core covers you for emergency transport. We pay for this service from the Major Medical Benefit and there is no overall limit. Call Discovery 911 for authorisation.

Cover for GPs and specialists in and out of hospital

To have your Prescribed Minimum Benefit claims paid in full when you are in hospital, the Specialist or GP who admits you must be on the Scheme's Network. When you're admitted to a hospital, there is no overall limit that applies to GP and specialist visits. We pay up to 100% of the LA Health Rate from the Major Medical Benefit.

We pay for out-of-hospital GP and specialist visits from the Medical Savings Account or the Extended Dayto-day Benefit.

We cover you when you have to be admitted to hospital

Hospitalisation, theatre fees and costs for intensive and high care at private hospitals have no overall limit, but you must obtain preauthorisation from the Scheme for any planned procedures. You will have a deductible (upfront payment) if you do not preauthorise your planned treatment). We pay these costs from the Major Medical Benefit up to 100% of the LA Health Rate.

You can enjoy the best of care during your pregnancy

No overall limit applies when you're admitted to hospital as long as you get preauthorisation for the admission. We pay certain out-of-hospital benefits for the mother and baby from the Major Medical Benefit, if the mother registers on the Scheme's Maternity Programme. If not registered, all pregnancy-related benefits will be paid from the available benefits in the Medical Savings Account or Extended Day-to-day Benefit.

Cover for chronic and acute medicine

You have medicine cover for all approved Prescribed Minimum Benefit Chronic Disease List conditions, paid in full from the Major Medical Benefit up to the LA Health Medicine Rate for listed medicine. Medicine that is not on the medicine list is paid up to a Chronic Drug Amount.

Medicine, for approved Additional Disease List conditions, is paid up to a Chronic Drug Amount up to an annual limit. This is up to a specific amount based on your family size.

Prescribed, acute medicine on the preferred list are paid from the available funds in your Medical Savings Account, or from the Extended Day-today Benefit at 100% of the LA Health Rate for medicine and those on the non-preferred list are paid at 90% of the LA Health Rate for medicine.

You also have cover for over-thecounter (schedule 0, 1 and 2) medicine bought at a pharmacy at 100% of the cost from the available funds in your Medical Savings Account or from the Extended Day-to-day Benefit. This benefit is limited.

When you are discharged from hospital after an admission, we pay for takehome medicine from the available funds in your Medical Savings Account or from the Extended Day-to-day Benefit at 100% of the LA Health Rate for medicine on the preferred list and at 90% for medicine on the non-preferred list.

The Scheme pays for the completion of the Chronic Illness Benefit application form by your provider, if the condition is approved.

We pay for certain preventive screening tests or vaccines

The Major Medical Benefit provides cover for:

 A screening test (to check your blood glucose, blood pressure, cholesterol and body mass index), or a flu vaccination at one of the Scheme's designated service providers or a network pharmacy. We also pay for certain screening tests for children.

- One specific pneumococcal vaccination in a beneficiary's lifetime for qualifying members.
- Pap smears, mammograms and prostate-specific antigen tests, subject to clinical criteria.

We pay for the consultation and other related costs from your Medical Savings Account. If these are needed as part of Prescribed Minimum Benefit, we pay the costs from the Major Medical Benefit.

We pay these costs from the Major Medical Benefit up to 100% of the LA Health Rate.

World Health Organisation (WHO) Outbreak Benefit

The Scheme pays PMB benefits for your treatment and care that is related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Benefits are subject to clinical criteria and the use of the services of the Scheme's Designated Service Providers.

SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS

OVERALL ANNUAL LIMITS	Hospital	No overall limit				
	Extended Day-to-day Benefit	Member	Spouse/Adult	Child (max 3)		
		R6 669	R4 657	R1 815		
E €	Medical Savings Account	R10 068	R8 796	R4 044		
AMBULANCE SERVICES	Must call Discovery 911 for authorisation					
	Emergency transport	Paid from Major Medio No overall limit	Paid from Major Medical Benefit, up to 100% of the LA Health Rate subject to authorisation No overall limit			
BLOOD TRANSFUSIONS AND BLOOD PRODUCTS	Blood transfusions and blood products	Subject to Prescribed	Minimum Benefits. Paid from Major	Medical Benefit. No overall limit		

		Maxillo-facial procedures: certain severe infections, jaw-joint replacements, cancer-related and certain trauma-related surgery, cleft-lip and palate repair						
		Specialised dentistry	Members will have to make an upfront payment (deductible)					
			Hospital	R2 120				
				Older than 13 years	R5 360			
			Day clinics	Younger than 13 years	R1 040			
				Older than 13 years	R3 510			
			Hospital and related hospital accounts paid from Major Medical Benefit, up to 100% of the LA Health Rate Related, non-hospital accounts (for dentists, anaesthetists, etc), subject to a limit of R31 260 per person per year					
		Basic dentistry	Members will have to make an upfront payment (deductible)					
			Hospital	Younger than 13 years	R2 120			
	ы.			Older than 13 years	R5 360			
	ΙZ		Day clinics	Younger than 13 years	R1 040			
	IN-HOSPITAL			Older than 13 years	R3 510			
			Hospital account paid from the Major Medical Benefit. Related accounts (for dentists, anaesthetists, etc), paid from and limited to available funds in the Medical Savings Account and the Extended Day-to-day Benefit					
TRY	OUT-OF-HOSPITAL	Specialised dentistry	Paid from and limited to funds in Medical Savings Account and Extended Day-to-day Benefit					
DENTISTRY		Basic dentistry	Paid from and limited to funds in Medical Savings Account and Extended Day-to-day Benefit					
	IN-HOSPITAL	Visits	Paid from Major Medical Benefit up to 100% of the LA Health Rate. No overall limit					
STS		GP and specialist visits: actual, virtual and tele consultations or emergency room visits	Paid from Medical Savings Account or Extended Day-to-day Benefit					
GPS AND SPECIALISTS	OUT-OF-HOSPITAL	Virtual paediatrician consultations for children aged 14 years and younger from a Network Paediatrician consulted in the six months before the virtual consultation	Paid from Major Medical Benefit once the member's Medical Savings Account and Extended Day-to-day Benefit have been depleted. Subject to criteria					
3PS ANE		Trauma-related casualty visits for children when day- to-day benefits are exhausted	Paid from Major Medical Benefit. Cover for two trauma-related casualty visits for children aged 10 and under, once the Medical Savings Account and Extended Day-to-day Benefit have been depleted Includes the cost of the consultation, facility fee and consumables					
<u>ئ</u>		International clinical review consultations	Paid from Major Medical benefit to a maximum of 50% of the cost of the consultation Subject to preauthorisation					
SO	ΗIV	prophylaxis (rape or mother-to-child transmission)	Prescribed Minimum Benefits. Paid from Major Medical Benefit. No overall limit					
HIV OR AIDS	HIV- or AIDS-related illnesses		Prescribed Minimum Benefits. Paid from Major Medical Benefit. No overall limit, subject to clinical entry criteria and HIVCare Programme protocols. If the services of non-Designated Service Providers are used voluntarily, a 20% co-payment will apply					
	HIV	/- or AIDS-related consultations	Covered with no overall limit from the Scheme's Designated Service Provider. A 20% co-payment applies if the services of a non-DSP are used					
HOME-BASED CARE	Wo	rund care, end-of-life care, IV infusions and postnatal re	Paid from Major Medical Benefit up to 100% of the LA Health Rate subject to authorisation, clinical criteria and management by the Scheme's Designated Service Providers					
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All planned procedures must be preauthorised Hospitalisation, theatre fees, intensive and high care

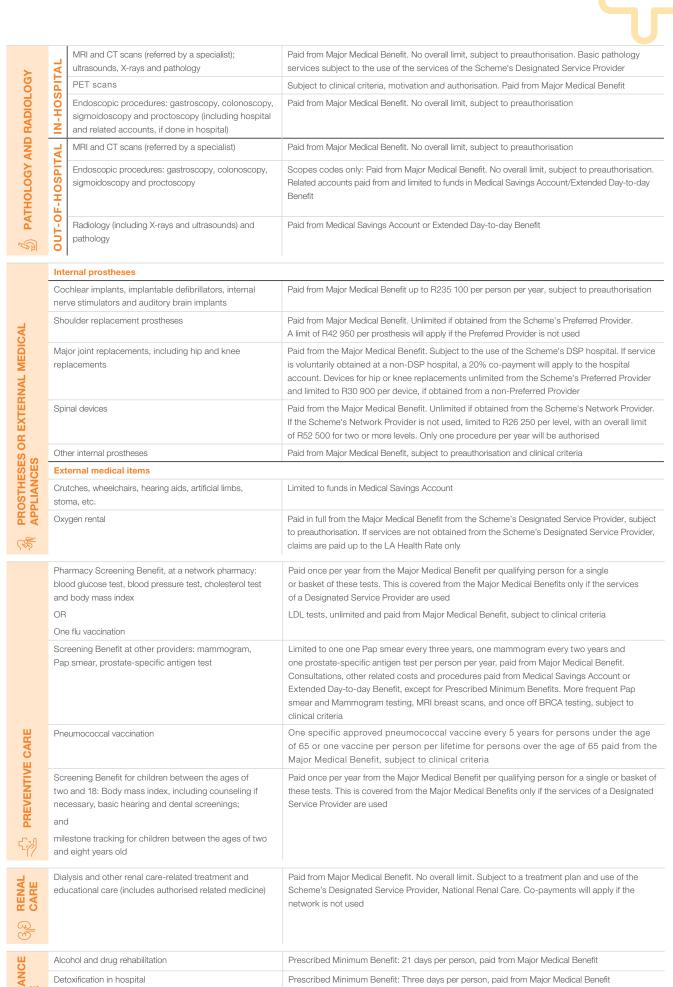
In-hospital services obtained out of hospital, subject to

preauthorisation Emergency in-hospital care subject to Prescribed Minimum Benefits Prescribed Minimum Benefit-related treatment and procedures Paid at 100% of the cost for services provided in a KeyCare Network Hospital, the Scheme's Designated Service Provider for Prescribed Minimum Benefits, when a Specialist in the KeyCare hospital, a Discovery Health Network GP or a Premier A or Premier B Specialist admits the member If Prescribed Minimum Benefit-related services are not obtained at a Designated Service Provider Hospital, and the admitting doctor is not a Designated Service Provider, PMB claims will be paid up to the LA Health Rate only Non-Prescribed Minimum Benefit planned in-hospital treatment and procedures: paid up to 100% of the LA Health Rate only Paid from the Major Medical Benefit, up to 100% of the LA Health Rate. Subject to preauthorisation IN-HOSPI **Maternity Programme** Paid from the Major Medical Benefit, up to 100% of the LA Health Rate. Subject to registration on the Programme. If not registered on the Programme subject, and limited, to Medical Savings Account and Extended Day-to-day Benefits • 8 Antenatal consultations with a gynaecologist, GP or midwife Antenatal visits, ultrasounds and scans, selected One Nuchal translucency or one non-invasive prenatal test (NIPT) or one T21 Chromosome blood tests, pre- or post-natal classes, GP and test, subject to clinical entry criteria Specialist consultations Two 2D ultrasound scans A defined basket of blood tests 5 pre- or post-natal classes or consultations with a registered nurse 2 visits to a GP, paediatrician or ear, nose and throat (ENT) specialist Cover for the newborn baby for up to two years after **MATERNITY BENEFIT** Cover for the mother of the newborn baby for up to A consultation at a GP or gynaecologist for post-natal complications two years after the birth One nutritional assessment at a dietitian HOSPI Two mental health consultations with a counsellor or psychologist One lactation consultation with a registered nurse or lactation specialist OF Antenatal classes If not registered on the Maternity Programme: Limited to funds in the Medical Savings Account Doulas Paid from the Medical Savings Account 07 Services rendered by Doulas Prescribed Minimum Benefit Chronic Disease List (PMB We will pay your approved medicine in full if it is on our medicine list (formulary), if it is not we will pay for it up to a set monthly amount, called the Chronic Drug Amount (CDA). If you use CDL) conditions (subject to benefit entry criteria and approval) more than one medicine from the same medicine category, we will pay up to the monthly CDA, whether they are on the medicine list, or not Additional chronic conditions (subject to approval and Paid up to the applicable monthly Chronic Drug Amount (CDA) from the same medicine a defined list of conditions) category, limited to: Member: R11 495 Member + 1+: R22 810 Diabetes Care and Cardio Care Programmes Up to 100% of the LA Health Rate for non-PMB GP-related services covered in a treatment basket, subject to registration on the Chronic Illness Benefit and referral by the Scheme's Network GP Paid from the Major Medical Benefit. Paid from and limited to funds in the Medical Savings Account or Extended Day-to-day Benefit. Prescribed/acute medicine Paid at 100% of the LA Health Rate for medicine on the preferred medicine list and at 90% for MEDICINE medicine on the non-preferred medicine list Limited to R1 500 per person per year and further limited to funds in Medical Savings Account Medicine bought over-the-counter at a pharmacy (schedule 0, 1 and 2) and generic or non-generic or Extended Day-to-day Benefit. Paid up to 100% of the cost Take-home medicine (when discharged from hospital) Limited to funds in the Medical Savings Account or Extended Day-to-day Benefit. Paid at 100% of the LA Health Rate for medicine on the preferred medicine list and at 90% for medicine on the non-preferred medicine list

No overall limit. Paid from the Major Medical Benefit. Subject to preauthorisation and clinical

	Prescribed Minimum Benefits: Psychiatric care subject to preauthorisation and case management.		In and out of hospital, a maximum of 21 days per person, paid from Major Medical Benefit. Where members voluntarily make use of the services of a hospital that is not a Designated Service Provider, a 20% co-payment will apply to the hospital account			
MENTAL	Out-of-hospital: Psychologists, psychiatrists, art therapy and social workers		Limited to funds in the Medical Savings Account			
W WE	Out-of-hospital: Mental Health Care Programme		Up to 100% of the LA Health Rate for non-PMB GP-related services covered in a treatment basket, subject to criteria and referral by the Scheme's Network GP. Paid from the Major Medical Benefit			
CARE)	Oncology Programme (including chemotherapy and radiotherapy)		Paid from Major Medical Benefit. Subject to the Oncology threshold of R456 000 in a 12 month cycle, approval of the treatment plan and paid at the LA Health rate. All oncology claims accumulate to a threshold of R456 000 A 20% co-payment applies after this. Prescribed Minimum Benefit oncology-related care is paid in full, from the Scheme's Designated Service Providers, subject to clinical entry criteria			
R-RELATED	Oncology-related PET scans		Paid from Major Medical Benefit, subject to the Oncology threshold of R456 000 in a 12 month cycle. Scans must be done at the Scheme's Designated Service Provider, subject to preauthorisation A 20% deductible will apply from R1 if the services of a Designated Service Provider is not used			
ANCEI	Stem cell transplants		You have access to local and international bone marrow donor searches and transplants up to the agreed rate. Your cover is subject to clinical protocols, review and approval			
.0GY (C.	Advanced Illness Benefit for pastage cancer	tients with end-of-life	Paid from Major Medical Benefit. Subject to a basket of care and registration on the Oncology Programme by the treating doctor			
(ONCOLOGY (CANCER-RELATED CARE)	Access to cover for a defined list of non-PMB novel and ultra-high cost cancer treatment		Paid at 75% of the Scheme Medicine Rate before and after the Oncology threshold of R456 000, with no overall limit. Subject to meeting certain clinical criteria and peer review by a Scheme-appointed panel of specialists			
OPTICAL	Optometry consultations		Limited to funds in the Medical Savings Account or Extended Day-to-day Benefit			
.do	Spectacles, frames, contact lenses and refractive eye surgery		Limited to funds in the Medical Savings Account or Extended Day-to-day Benefit			
	Auxiliary services (physical therapy, audiology, psychology)		Paid from Major Medical Benefit subject to preauthorisation and clinical criteria			
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OTHER SERVICES	Auxilliary services (physici therapy, audiology, psych therapy, audiology, psych therapy, audiology, psych therapy audiology, psych therapy, audiology, psych therapy audiology, psych ther		Limited to funds in the Medical Savings Account			
Ė O	Nurse practitioners		Limited to funds in the Medical Savings Account			
	Unani-Tibb therapy		Paid from Medical Savings Account			
40	Hospitalisation and harvesting of organ for transplants		Paid from the Major Medical Benefit. No overall limit. Subject to Prescribed Minimum Benefits, preauthorisation and the use of the Scheme's Designated Service Provider. Claims paid up to the LA Health Rate if non-DSP services are used			
ORGAN TRANSPLANTS	Medicine for immuno-suppressive therapy		Paid according to Prescribed Minimum Benefits, subject to the Chronic Illness Benefit Chronic Drug Amount			









TRAUMA RECOVERY BENEFIT

COVID-19 BENEFITS



Cover for specific trauma-related incidents. The benefit is paid up to the end of the year following the one in which the traumatic event occurred.

Benefits are paid according to general Rules applicable to this Benefit Option in terms of Designated Service Providers and clinical entry criteria

Paid from Major Medical Benefit up to 100% of the LA Health Rate up to the following limits per family for the benefits listed below:

Allied and therapeutic healthcare services	M	R20 950
	M + 1	R28 450
	M + 2	R34 700
	M + 3+	R40 250
External medical appliances	R40 800	
Hearing aids	R21 350	
Prescribed medicine	М	R22 850
	M + 1	R27 700
	M + 2	R33 350
	M + 3+	R36 400
Prosthetic limbs	R88 250	
(with no further access to the external medica	l items limit)	

World Health Organisation (WHO) Outbreak Benefit

Benefit for out-of-hospital management and appropriate supportive treatment and care for Global WHO recognised disease outbreaks

Prescribed Minimum Benefits

Paid at 100% of the cost from the Major Medical Benefit, subject to the use of the Scheme's Designated Service Providers and clinical guidelines.

Includes benefits for:

- A screening consultation with a nurse or DSP GP
- A defined basket of pathology services, including 2 COVID-19 specific tests per person per year, on referral
- A defined set of COVID-19 specific X-rays and scans
- Covid-19 specific supportive acute medicine
- Contact tracing
- At home care in lieu of hospitalisation (requires authorisation)
- Covid-19 vaccination
- Pulse oximeters (subject to clinical criteria)

Total monthly contributions including your Medical Savings Account for 2021

	MEMBER	ADULT	CHILD DEPENDENT	+2 MAXIMUM FOR 3 CHILD DEPENDANTS		
TOTAL MONTHLY CONTRIBUTIONS	R5 814	R5 248	R1 737	R5 211		
40% in-service member's portion of contributions if a 60% subsidy applies. Maximum subsidy of R4 773.12						

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LA CORE CONTRIBUTIONS



What we do not cover (exclusions)

There are certain medical expenses and other costs the Scheme does not cover, except when it is a PMB. We call these exclusions. LA Health will not cover any of the following, or the direct or indirect consequences of these treatments, procedures or costs incurred by members:

Certain types of treatments and procedures

- Cosmetic procedures, for example, otoplasty for jug ears; portwine stains; blepharoplasty (eyelid surgery); keloid scars; hair removal; nasal reconstruction (including septoplasties, osteotomies and nasal tip surgery) and healthcare services related to gender reassignment.
- · Breast reductions and implants
- Treatment for obesity
- Treatment for infertility, subject to PMB
- Frail care
- Experimental, unproven or unregistered treatment or practices.

The purchase of the following, unless prescribed:

- applicators, toiletries and beauty preparations
- bandages, cotton wool and other consumable items
- patented foods, including baby foods
- tonics, slimming preparations and drugs
- household and other biochemical remedies
- anabolic steroids
- sunscreen agents.

Unless otherwise decided by the Scheme, benefits in respect of these items, on prescription, are limited to one month's supply for each prescription or repeat thereof.

Certain costs

- Costs of search and rescue
- Any costs that another party is legally responsible for
- Facility fees at casualty facilities (these are administration fees that are charged directly by the hospital or other casualty facility).

Always check with us

Please contact us if you have one of the conditions we exclude so we can let you know if there is any cover. In some cases, you might be covered for these conditions if they are part of Prescribed Minimum Benefits.

This is a summary of the LA Core benefits and features, submitted to the Registrar of Medical Schemes. If there is any discrepancy between this document and the registered Rules, the Rules will always apply.

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