

BOARD NOTICE

HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA

Proposed process on the determination of the fee norm

The Medical and Dental Professions Board hereby publishes the proposed process that will be followed in the determination of the fee that will be used as a norm in the adjudication of complaints of overcharging in terms of Section 53 of the Health Professions Act, 1974 (Act No. 56 of 1974).

Interested persons are invited to submit any substantiated comments or representations in writing, on the proposed process as published on the Health Professions Council of South Africa's website, to the Registrar, Health Professions Council of South Africa for the attention of the Board Manager: Medical and Dental Professions Board within 30 days from date of publication of this notice and by:

- Post to: P O Box 205, Pretoria 0001;
- E-mail to: bekima@hpcsa.co.za; or
- Fax to: 012 338 9347.

Interested persons are particularly requested to submit any substantiated comments, representations, or inputs on the following elements of the proposed process:

1. The suitability of the proposed 2014 process;
2. The suitability of the overall design of the process for 2015 and subsequent years;
3. The criteria for appointment of the technical panel, including ideal skills and composition of the panel;
4. The suggested criteria for the selection of participants;
5. The completeness of the Terms of Reference of the proposed process;

6. The completeness of the elements of the process that participants are expected to deliberate on;
7. The appropriateness of the general structure of the participant conference of the proposed process. Interested persons are specifically requested to suggest, if any, the different manner in which the working groups can be better structured to achieve the Terms of Reference;
8. The most suitable manner in which the conference can deal with issues relating to coding within the proposed structure;
9. The manner in which the practical aspects of the conference can be best managed to ensure that the process is completed timeously and to ensure maximum probability of achieving consensus;
10. The envisaged unconstrained nature of evidence to be submitted;
11. The open and transparent nature of the proposed process; and
12. Any additional constructive input not detailed in any of the points above.