

## Procedural Notice pursuant to the Health Insurance Law (No 11 of 2013) of the Emirate of Dubai

### Procedural Notice Number 1 of 2019 (PN 01/2019)

Subject of this Procedural Notice	Patient Support Programs (BASMAH & HCV)
Applicability of this Procedural Notice	This notice applies to all HIPs & for the information of HIIPs
Purpose of this Procedural Notice	To advise on the requirement of amounts to be collected and transferred (where applicable) regarding the patient support programs
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Grace period for compliance	Not applicable

#### Preamble

As communicated in the past year via numerous circulars, ([PD 02/2018](#), [PD 03/2018](#), [PD 05/2018](#), [PD 06/2018](#) amongst other communications). It is required that all HIP's allocate AED 18 + VAT for the HCV patient support program and AED 19 + VAT for the BASMAH patient support program. This circular is intended to clarify the effective dates of these allocations.

#### Objectives of this Circular

- Clarify the allocation amounts and the intended uses
- The impact of VAT on the patient support programs
- Set the timeline for transfer of funds
- BASMAH Account and transfer requirements
- Treatment of additions and deletions throughout a policy period
- Mandatory loading

#### Allocation amounts

There is still confusion in the market around what fees are to be collected and what programs they apply to. What has always been communicated is insurers are to allocate AED 18 + VAT for the HCV Patient support program, which will

remain with the insurer. AED 2.6 of this amount is allocated for the DHIC assigned program manager, the remainder is held by the insurer to cover any costs associated with the HCV support program should any of their eligible insured members enroll in the program.

An additional AED 19 + VAT is to be collected for the BASMAH patient support program. This AED 19 + VAT is to be transferred to an account and within the timelines specified below. The allocations are applicable on both LSB and Non-LSB Members.

### Impact on VAT for the PSPs

It had previously been communicated that a 5% VAT charge was not applicable on the additional PSP charges. This is to clarify that VAT is in fact applicable on both the AED 18 + VAT and AED 19 + VAT allocated amounts for both patient support programs.

### Timeline on transfer of funds for BASMAH PSP

As the BASMAH patient support program now requires HIPs & PIs to transfer the allocated AED 19 + VAT to the account specified below, this is required to be transferred no later than the following 15<sup>th</sup> of each calendar month.

### BASMAH Fund Account

A dedicated BASMAH fund account has now been created for HIPs & PIs to transfer the allocated AED 19 + VAT, therefore there will be no reconciliation required or additional payments accrued by the HIP or PI should an insured and enrolled member exceed their annual limit. Any additional treatment costs will be borne by the Fund.

The Acct details are as follows:

Emirates NBD

**Account No.** 1011000008301

**IBAN** AE330260001011000008301

### Member Additions & Deletions

The total AED 37 + VAT allocation for both patient support programs is a fixed allocation upon the new enrollment or addition of any member. This should not be refunded in part or in whole upon the deletion of a member. This applies to both group and individual policies.

### Is Loading Mandatory

The total AED 37 + VAT required allocation for the patient support programs is not a mandatory premium increase. Should an insurer not see a need to add additional premium on its existing rate this is acceptable, however it must be noted that the AED 19 + VAT for the BASMAH fund is required to be transferred to the DHIC dedicated BASMAH fund account.