

NOTICE TO STAKEHOLDERS

Publication of reports as set out in the Revised Administrative Timetable

Dear Stakeholder,

1. On 1 December 2016, the Health Market Inquiry (HMI) published a Revised Administrative Timetable setting out the key milestones, reports to be published and timeframes for the completion of HMI by 15 December 2017
2. According to the Revised Administrative Timetable, the HMI is due to publish the following reports between 28 February to 15 March 2017:
 - 2.1 Analytical report on Prescribed Minimum Benefits (PMBs)
 - 2.2 Report on supplier induced demand in private healthcare
 - 2.3 Facilities analysis report
 - 2.4 Funder analysis report
 - 2.5 Practitioner analysis report
 - 2.6 Research report on brokers in healthcare financing
 - 2.7 Profitability analysis of private healthcare funders
 - 2.8 Profitability analysis of private healthcare facilities
3. The reports listed under 2.1 to 2.5 are primarily based on the medical schemes data described in the previously published HMI “*Descriptive Statistics*” report.
4. Over the past two months, however, the HMI has received various requests for access to underlying data and information pertaining to reports it published in November and December 2016. Such data and information was received from multiple stakeholders and is subject to confidentiality claims made by the submitters thereof.

5. The HMI has sought to address these requests for access to data and information through stakeholder engagement and has further solicited input from all stakeholders on its proposed way forward¹.
6. Many stakeholders have, however, requested extensions to the deadline of 20 February 2017 for submission of their responses to the above notice. As such, HMI is yet to consider all stakeholder responses to ensure that all material input is taken into account.
7. In addition, at the stakeholder engagement held on 7 February 2017, certain stakeholders requested the HMI not to publish further reports related to the medical schemes claims data, until the issue of access to the underlying data and information had been sufficiently addressed.
8. Apart from this, the HMI has experienced an unexpected delay in the publication of these reports.
9. With regard to the reports listed under 2.6. to 2.8 in Par. 2, the HMI is currently engaging stakeholders on an individual basis to complete the verification of their information submitted to the HMI. This process is due to conclude shortly.
10. Therefore, in light of the above, the HMI will not publish the above reports on the dates reflected in the Revised Administrative Timetable.
11. Stakeholders will be advised of new publication dates for these reports by publication of a further Notice in that regard.

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¹ Notice to stakeholders published on 14 February 2017.