

KZN SPECIALIST NETWORK NEWSLETTER

The executive of the KZN Specialist Network wishes you well during this Nationwide Lockdown.

IMPORTANT UPDATES

MEDICAL PROTECTION INSURANCE

The KZN Specialist Network has been in contact with most of the medical insurers including MPS, PPS, Shackleton Risk, EthiQal and Constantia following queries from several of our members. It appears that all members would be covered if they are sick in addition they would be covered if they have forced to quarantine following exposure to a patient that has COVID-19 on condition that there is a written confirmation from a registered authority e.g. NICD.

Regarding wavering of subscriptions during the lockdown phase, **PPS is the only organization that have committed to reducing the monthly subscriptions of up to 50%.**

CANCELLED KZNSN EVENTS

Following upon the National Lockdown, most of the KZNSN events have been cancelled including our Golf Day, Medicolegal Workshop, Antibiotic Stewardship Meetings, Academic (CME) Meetings and the Antibiotic Stewardship Nursing Conference. These events have been postponed to a later date that will be announced later this year.

WEBINAR MEETINGS

The KZN Specialist Network is investigating hosting online meetings via the web. You will be updated regarding the progress of these webinars.

DOCTORS ON CALL

All KZN Specialist Network members are encouraged to join the Doctors on Call programme as initiated by the Department of Health. To join this initiative, click on this link: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/laHmmvPDYrCBx7hxpl3Whn>

COVID-19 AS A PMB

The Council of Medical Schemes (CMS) has approved COVID-19 as a PMB with regards to testing as well as treatment.