

UMVUZO CANCER MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

A cancer diagnosis can be frightening, but at

Umvuzo Health, you'll have access to top-notch care.

Our **Oncology (Cancer) Management Programme** ensures members diagnosed with cancer receive treatment defined within the Prescribed Minimum Benefits (PMBs).





WHAT ARE PRESCRIBED MINIMUM BENEFITS (PMBs)?

Prescribed Minimum Benefits (PMBs) comprise a set of defined benefits that ensure that medical scheme members have access to certain minimum health services. PMBs are a feature of the Medical Schemes Act, no 131 of 1998 and medical schemes must cover the costs related to the diagnosis, treatment and care of 270 defined medical conditions and any medical emergency.

This includes services relating to cancer from diagnosis to treatment.



TREATMENT INCLUDES:

Chemotherapy, radiotherapy, hormonal manipulation, and supportive treatments.

Rx Health is contracted with ICON Oncology and applies the ICON Essential Protocol which ensures that beneficiaries will have access to PMB level of care. Any treatment requests outside of the ICON Essential Protocol are reviewed clinically and, if indicated, referred to the Umvuzo Clinical Committee for treatment funding.

OVERVIEW OF UMVUZO ONCOLOGY BENEFITS:

Depending on the diagnosis and treatment plan the following benefits could be included in the management plan. Some of the benefits will be paid from the available limits, and once those limits are depleted, they will be funded as a PMB.



Consultations with your oncologist.



Chemotherapy and supportive treatment/materials, e.g., drips and needles.



Radiotherapy, including technical planning scans.



Hormonal therapy related to your cancer.







condition during active treatment and, once treatment is completed, for follow-up as required.

Pathology tests related to your



related to the diagnosis during active treatment and follow-up treatment.* Medication to treat pain, nausea and side

Radiology requested by your oncologist



effects resulting from the disease and treatment will be covered (within the Umvuzo Health formulary). Access to Palliative care to provide relief



from pain by optimising a person's comfort, helping you and your loved ones cope with the side effects of your treatment, or by providing emotional and spiritual support. *Radiology will be covered by available radiology benefit

limits and once depleted, PMBs will apply if indicated. These include basic X-rays; CT, MRI and PET CT scans; ultrasounds and isotope or nuclear bone scans.



DIAGNOSIS CONFIRMATION: The treating doctor will submit the relevant

oncology documentation via ICON to register any person who has been diagnosed with cancer. The cancer diagnosis is confirmed by relevant histological and/or pathological reports or scan results. TREATMENT AUTHORISATION:



If clinically appropriate, an authorisation is generated and provided to the treating

oncologist and member.



Any PET scans or other scans that are required to review a person's response to

EVALUATING YOUR RESPONSE TO TREATMENT:

treatment need to be authorised on its own prior to the date of service.



All oncology treatment plans are reviewed in accordance with the ICON Essential

REVIEW:

Oncology Treatment Protocol.



An authorisation will be issued monthly for members who are on an active

to care@rxhealth.co.za

MONTHLY AUTHORISATION:

oncology treatment plan in accordance with their oncology treatment cycle. **TREATMENT ENQUIRIES:**

Enquiries pertaining to your oncology



treatment plan registration can be emailed

ICD-10 CODING Please confirm that your healthcare professional always includes the cancer ICD-10 diagnosis code

on their accounts that are submitted to Umvuzo Health Medical Scheme. This will ensure that

they will not experience any delays in the payment of their accounts.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For any Oncology related benefits or registration on the Oncology (Cancer) Management Programme,



authorisations: **Email:**

please contact the Rx Health Care case manager for assistance and support.

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Umvuzo Oncology Care Team Working Hours:

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