

## Pula Medical Aid Fund

Guidelines Covid -19 Testing, Hospitalisations and Vaccines



Our members and their covered loved ones are covered 100% for hospitalisations due to covid in all the major private hospitals in Botswana, including:

- Debswana Hospitals
- · Lenmed Bokamoso Private Hospital
- Gaborone Private Hospital
- Riverside Hospital
- Sidilega Private Hospital

## We cover:

- Asymptomatic and mildly symptomatic patients
- Patients with severe/ serious symptoms

100% UNLIMITED COVER FOR COVID-19
HOSPITALISATION FOR ALL MEMBERS ON ALL BENEFIT
OPTIONS



## Hospital admission Pre- Authorisation Process

A patient diagonosed with severe or serious Covid-19 symptoms visits hospital

Hospital confirms **Covid-19** diagnosis and decides to admit patient'

Hospital confirms patient's cover with Pula Medical Aid Fund online.

ALL BENEFIT OPTIONS COVERED FOR COVID-19 ADMISSIONS

Hospital requests Pre-authorisation from Pula Medical Aid Fund to admit the patient:

- ► Patient name and surname
- Medical Aid number and option name
- Diagnosis
- Proposed treatment plan
- Establish and estimate Length of Stay (LoS) and Level of Care (LoC) required by the patient
- Provide a cost estimate and request for authorisation.

Pre-authorisation request Assessed by Pula Medical Aid Fund administrators and approved.

Post admission
Pre-Authorisations ALLOWED



Patient admitted to hospital and monitored for progress (Case Management)



- Covid-19 Rapid (Antigen) Testing Cover shall be extended to all Pula beneficiaries, and each beneficiary shall be eligible for two (2) Covid-19 Rapid (Antigen) Tests per annum.
- Covid-19 rapid (antigen) testing will be covered for all beneficiaries who are deemed to have been exposed to the coronavirus primarily through contact with a person(s) who has been diagnosed as Covid-19 positive.
- The Covid-19 Rapid (antigen) Testing may be accessed directly through accredited/approved pathology laboratories, testing centres and/or through approved practitioners. That is testing may be done without first consulting a medical doctor.



There are no Co-payments and members will be fully covered during their admission to the hospital.

Members are **NOT** required to pay

- VAT
- Co-payment (i.e., no deposits are required for any Pula Medical Aid Fund member for Covid-19 admissions).



- The Fund has approved funding for the COVID-19 Vaccine for the employees and dependants of your company who are covered by Pula Medical Aid Fund, as soon as they are available.
- Our commitment stems from our mission, of promoting the wellbeing and health of our members by ensuring access to healthcare.

'COVID-19 Vaccines are an important tool in curbing the pandemic. However, we encourage our stakeholders and their families to continue following all the current guidelines and protocols from health authorities. We also send our condolences to the many families who have lost loved ones'.

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