

Permission to make certain information available to a third party



Contact details

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By completing this form, you allow us to share your information with any third party you nominate. A third party is any person or entity that has a relationship with LA Health Medical Scheme, including its administrator (currently Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd) and wellness partner (currently Discovery Vitality (Pty) Ltd), as well as those entities who do not have a direct relationship with LA Health Medical Scheme.

Who we are

LA Health Medical Scheme (referred to as 'the Scheme'), registration number 1145, is the medical scheme that you are applying to become a member of. This is a non-profit organisation, registered with the Council for Medical Schemes.

Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd (referred to as 'the administrator') is a separate company and an authorised financial services provider (registration number 1997/013480/07). We take care of the administration of your membership for the Scheme.

How to complete this form

1. Please use one letter per block, complete the form in black ink and print clearly.
2. To avoid administrative delays, please make sure this form is completed in full.
3. Incomplete forms will not be considered as valid consent.
4. Provide a copy of your nominated third party's identity document or valid passport.
5. Please fax the completed form to 011 539 5217 or e-mail it to consent@discovery.co.za

When you sign this form, you confirm the information provided is true and correct.

If your nominated third party has not previously given Discovery Health a copy of their identity document, please submit it with this form.

If we cannot identify your nominated third party, we cannot complete the request for this (applicable to section 2.5, 2.6 and 2.7).

1. About yourself (client)

Surname

First names (as per identity document)

ID or passport number Sex M F Date of birth

Country of issue

Membership number

2. About the third party (to whom we may give specified information)

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2.1 Financial adviser

2.2 Intermediary house

2.3 Your employer contact person

Surname

First names (as per identity document)

ID or passport number Sex M F Date of birth

Country of issue

Your employer contact person is the contact person or representative where you work. This contact person or representative may change occasionally. This means a new contact person or representative may have access to the information you make available. Your permission only applies to the contact person at your current employer. If you change employers, this permission will end. If you want to give permission to only a specific person and not the employer contact person in general, please complete the specific third party section of this form.

Please select the type of information you wish to make available: (you may select more than one option)

	From	To
Option A (biographic, financial, medical and benefit information) <input type="checkbox"/>	Y Y Y Y M M D D	Y Y Y Y M M D D
Option B (biographic and financial information) <input type="checkbox"/>	Y Y Y Y M M D D	Y Y Y Y M M D D

(Refer to table 1 on page 3 for examples of this type of information).

2. About the third party (to whom we may give specified information) (continued)

2.4 Your doctor

First name and surname

Practice number

Kindly select the type of information you wish to make available: (you may select more than one option)

	From								To							
Option A (biographic, benefit and medical information) - (including Health Record containing pathology and radiology results, which may include HIV information) <input type="checkbox"/>																
	Y	Y	Y	Y	M	M	D	D	Y	Y	Y	Y	M	M	D	D

(Refer to table 1 on page 3 for examples of this type of information).

* Please refer to the specific terms and conditions section under 'LA Health Medical Scheme Electronic Health Record application consent' on the final page of this form.

2.5 Specific third party 1

You provide permission to make information available to the third party specified below.

Surname

First names (as per identity document)

ID or passport number Sex M F Date of birth Y Y Y Y M M D D

Country of issue

2.6 Specific third party 2

You give permission to make information available to the third party specified below.

Surname

First names (as per identity document)

ID or passport number Sex M F Date of birth Y Y Y Y M M D D

Country of issue

2.7 Specific third party 3

You give permission to make information available to the third party specified below.

Surname

First names (as per identity document)

ID or passport number Sex M F Date of birth Y Y Y Y M M D D

Country of issue

3. About the information we may provide to the third party

Please specify the type of information each specific third party may have access to and for how long the access should be valid. Should you not specify a date, we will assume the permission to be valid from the date of signature, in section 4 of this form, to continue until you revoke the permission in writing.

Third party	Please tick the third party to which you wish to make information available																		
	Make all of the below available <input type="checkbox"/>																		
	Specific third party 1	Specific third party 2	Specific third party 3	From								To							
Biographic information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y	Y	Y	Y	M	M	D	D	Y	Y	Y	Y	M	M	D	D
Benefit information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y	Y	Y	Y	M	M	D	D	Y	Y	Y	Y	M	M	D	D
Financial information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y	Y	Y	Y	M	M	D	D	Y	Y	Y	Y	M	M	D	D
Medical information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y	Y	Y	Y	M	M	D	D	Y	Y	Y	Y	M	M	D	D

3. About the information we may provide to the third party (continued)

Examples of the type of information that we can make available to a third party are listed in the table below:

Examples of biographic information	Examples of benefit information	Examples of Financial information	Examples of Medical information
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership number • Date of birth • ID number • Postal and e-mail address • Physical address • Telephone numbers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan type • Medical Savings Account amounts available • Medical Savings Account choice: Scheme Rate or Cost • Current Medical Savings Account spent • Limits • Waiting period details • Self-payment Gap • Above Threshold Benefit • Wellness partner activation/ status / gym • Wellness partner benefit usage • Wellness partner Points Monitor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical scheme tax certificate and tax summary • Banking details • Total contribution and breakdown • Wellness partner rewards received 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indicator of chronic condition/s • Prescribed Minimum Benefit chronic condition details • Confirmation of claims paid (excluding amounts and origin of payments) • Claims transaction history, Hospital procedures, Procedure codes • Procedures done in doctors' rooms paid from Hospital Benefit <p>Doctors only Electronic Health Record (including pathology and radiology results and may include HIV-related information)</p>

4. Terms and conditions

- 4.1. This document provides LA Health Medical Scheme, and its outsourced service providers, including the administrator and wellness partner, permission to make certain information available to the named third party or third parties selected in this form and reserves the right to revoke this consent if there is a breach of any terms and conditions of this agreement or any rules by either of the parties.
- 4.2. You agree that by making this information available, LA Health Medical Scheme, and its outsourced service providers, including the administrator and wellness partner, are not responsible for any loss, whether direct, indirect or as a result of disclosing the information.
- 4.3. You agree that the named third parties receiving this information may not hold LA Health Medical Scheme, and its outsourced service providers, including the administrator and wellness partner, responsible for any claims that result from the wrongful use or disclosure of the information by the named third parties.
- 4.4. You agree that once you have provided permission, LA Health Medical Scheme, and its outsourced service providers, including the administrator and wellness partner, may give all the information that falls under the selected type of information to the named third parties.
- 4.5. This permission will end on the dates specified in section 2 and 3 of this form or when your employer contract ends (should your relationship with LA Health Medical Scheme, and its outsourced service providers, including the administrator and wellness partner, be through your employer).
You agree that should you have not given an expiry date in section 2 and 3 of this form, the permission will only end on your specific instruction in writing (or when the purpose of the permission has been served). Any 3rd party consent expires on death.
- 4.6. LA Health Medical Scheme, and its outsourced service providers, including the administrator and wellness partner, will only share the personal, financial and medical information for you or your dependants or beneficiaries on your Health Benefit Option or policies should it be requested by a third party to which you have already provided consent for disclosure and the parties with which LA Health Medical Scheme, and its outsourced service providers, including the administrator and wellness partner, share the information agree to keep the information confidential. Should LA Health Medical Scheme, and its outsourced service providers, including the administrator and wellness partner, wish to share your information for any other reason, we will do so only with your express consent.

5. Consent to use the LA Health Medical Scheme Electronic Health Record application. * (refer to 2.2)

Definitions

"Applicable law" includes all these:

- the Promotion of Access to Information Act 2 of 2000
- the Electronic Communications and Transactions Act 25 of 2002 (as amended)
- the Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013
- the Consumer Protection Act 68 of 2008
- the Medical Schemes Act 131 of 1998 (as amended)
- the National Health Act 61 of 2003
- the Children's Act 38 of 2005
- the Choice on Termination of Pregnancy Act 92 of 1996
- Ethical Rules of Conduct for Practitioners Registered under the Health Professions Act, 1974 published as GNR 717, dated 4 August 2006 in the Government Gazette ("the Ethical Rules")
- All applicable guidelines published in General Ethical Guidelines for the Health Care Professions as published by the Health Professions Council of South Africa ("the HPCSA guidelines").

"Electronic Health Record" (or EHR) is a regularly updated summary of all information (also referred to as "my information") that is accessible and made available through the LA Health Medical Scheme Electronic Health Record application.

"My information" refers to all personal, other and possibly sensitive medical, clinical or claim information (recorded in the EHR) and includes:

- All existing and newly diagnosed chronic conditions
- Chronic Illness Benefit and Benefit Option information
- Certain biographical details
- Medical information that healthcare providers send to the Scheme and its administrator
- All results, including pathology and radiology (if any), which may also include information about HIV or AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases and pregnancy or its termination.

5. Consent to use the LA Health Medical Scheme Electronic Health Record application. * (refer to 2.2) (continued)

Acknowledgement

I acknowledge that –

- LA Health Medical Scheme’s administrator has developed an application (“Electronic Health Record”) medical practitioners can use to access my information recorded in my Electronic Health Record (EHR).
- The purpose of Electronic Health Record is to support and enable quality clinical care to members and to help reduce the administrative burden on medical practitioners accessing my information.
- Only medical practitioners who have subscribed to and are authorised to use my Electronic Health Record and its features (“authorised medical practitioners”) can access my information.
- All authorised medical practitioners who treat me from time to time may only request and access my information through the EHR if they have my consent.
- Once I have granted consent, any authorised medical practitioners who I may consult from time to time and who have my consent may access all my information recorded in my EHR including details of consultations with other medical practitioners I may have consulted before.
- I may at any time change or revoke my consent by formally letting LA Health Medical Scheme know of my decision. In this case, Electronic Health Record will grant authorised medical practitioners access to my information only up to the date I change or revoke my consent and will not make my information available to any authorised medical practitioners from then on. By granting my consent, I provide LA Health Medical Scheme permission to share my information (through my EHR) with my authorised medical practitioners to assist in making informed clinical decisions.

I understand that once LA Health Medical Scheme has shared my information with authorised medical practitioners, LA Health Medical Scheme has no further control over this information and will not be accountable for its safeguarding. I also understand that the authorised medical practitioners have confirmed to the Scheme’s administrator that they will treat my information as confidential and in line with applicable laws. I note that LA Health Medical Scheme will, as required by and in adhering to applicable laws, protect and maintain the confidentiality of my information.

Consent

5.1 By consenting, I agree to –

- 5.1.1 My information being made available to authorised medical practitioners through Electronic Health Record for the purposes outlined here.
- 5.1.2 LA Health Medical Scheme’s administrator receiving my information directly from any healthcare provider and making this available through my Electronic Health Record.

5.2 I am entitled to change or revoke my consent at any time.
When I revoke my consent, medical practitioners will no longer be able to access my information.

5.3 The consent I provide (as set out in this form) is valid from the date and time when I give consent and will continue until I change or revoke my consent as explained in point 2.

5.4 I agree that by making this information available, the Scheme’s administrator will not be responsible for any loss or damage (whether direct or indirect) that may arise from the use of this information, other than where it is due to or attributable to grossly negligent or fraudulent conduct by the Scheme and / or its administrator.

5.5 I provide permission for my authorised medical practitioners to provide the Scheme and the administrator with my diagnosis and other relevant clinical information to review applications for the Chronic Illness Benefit. For the Chronic Illness Benefit, I understand that –

- 5.5.1 Funding from the Chronic Illness Benefit depends on meeting benefit entry requirements as determined by LA Health Medical Scheme.
- 5.5.2 It provides cover for disease modifying therapy only, which means that not all medicines for a listed condition are automatically covered or funded.
- 5.5.3 By registering, I agree that my condition may be subject to disease management interventions and periodic review and that this requires giving both LA Health Medical Scheme and my authorised medical practitioners access to my information.
- 5.5.4 Funding for medication will only be provided from when LA Health Medical Scheme receives and approves an application form that is completed in full.
- 5.5.5 I may need to send an updated or new application form, if LA Health Medical Scheme asks for this.

5.6 I have had an opportunity to read (or have read to me) and I am aware of and fully understand all the terms, conditions and consequences of providing my consent.

5.7 I have had sufficient opportunity to ask questions about this consent form and have had these questions, if any, answered to my satisfaction by LA Health Medical Scheme and/or its administrator.

5.8 I have been made aware that the full terms and conditions can be accessed on www.lahealth.co.za or by calling 0860 103 933 and that LA Health Medical Scheme will provide me with a copy of this consent form on my request.

5.9 My consent to all the terms and conditions of Electronic Health Record is provided of my own free will without any undue influence from any person whatsoever.

I indicate my full understanding and agreement to consent to use LA Health Medical Scheme Electronic Health Record.

My signature below indicates my understanding of an agreement to comply with the terms of this consent form.

Signed at (town or city) on

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Please print name _____

Signature of person providing permission