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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DEPARTEMENT VAN GESONDHEID

No. R. 1410

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MEDICAL SCHEMES ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 131 OF 1998)

AMENDMENT TO THE GENERAL REGULATIONS MADE IN TERMS OF THE MEDICAL SCHEMES ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 131 OF 1998)

The Minister of Health has, in terms of the Medical Schemes Act, 1998 (Act No 131 d 1998), after consultation with the Council for Medical Schemes, made the regulations in the Schedule.

## SCHEDULE

## Definitions

1. In this Schedule, "the Regulations" means the regulations published under Government Notice No. **R.** 1262 of 20 October 1999, as amended **by** the following Government Notices: No. R. 570 of *5* June 2000; No **R.** 650 of 30 June 2000; No. **R.** 247 of 01 March 2002 and No. **R.** 1360 of **4** November 2002; and "Annexure A" means annexure A of the regulations.

### Amendment of Annexure A

2. Annexure A of the regulations is hereby amended, in the part entitled HAEMATOLOGICAL, INFECTIOUS AND MISCELLANEOUS SUSTEMIC CONDITIONS", by the substitution for Code 168S of the following Code:

"Code: 168S
Diagnosis: #HIV- Infection
Treatment: - HIV voluntary counselling and testing

Co-trimoxazole as preventive therapy
Screening and preventive therapy for TB

- Diagnosis and treatment of sexually transmitted infections
- Pain management in palliative care
- Treatment of opportunistic infections
- Prevention of mother to child transmission of HIV
- Post-exposure prophylaxis following occupational exposure or sexual assault
- Medical management and medication, including the provision of anti-retroviral therapy, and ongoing monitoring for medicine effectiveness and safety, to the extent provided for in the national guidelines applicable in the public sector (*The national guidelines are set out in the Operational Plan for Comprehensive HIV and AIDS Care, Management and Treatment for South Africa; and the National Antiretroviral Treatment Guidelines. Both documents are available at the office of the Director-General: National Department of Health*)."

#### **Commencement of regulations**

3. These regulations come into operation on 01 January 2005.

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