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NATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH MEDICINES AND RELATED SUBSTANCES ACT (NO. 101 OF 1965) REGULATIONS RELATING TO A TRANSPARENT PRICING SYSTEM FOR MEDICINES AND SCHEDULED SUBSTANCES

(METHODOLOGY FOR THE SYSTEMATIC REVIEW OF THE DISPENSING FEE FOR PHARMACISTS)

I, DR A MOTSOALEDI, the Minister of Health, have determined on recommendation of the Pricing Committee, in terms of Section 22G of the Medicine and Related Substances Act, 1965 (Act No. 101 of 1965 as amended), requests information to be supplied by pharmacists for the methodology of the systematic review of the annual pharmacists dispensing fee.

The Pricing Committee intends to conduct a systematic review for the dispensing fee for pharmacists. Pharmacists in terms of Regulation 10(2) (a) to (d) of the amended Regulations relating to the Transparent Pricing System for Medicines and Scheduled Substances of the Medicines and Related Substances Act, 1965 (No. 101 of 1965 as amended), are requested to provide proposals for a methodology for a systematic review which would consider the following factors:

- 1. Expenditure apportioned to the dispensary within the pharmacy.
- 2. Revenue apportioned to the dispensary within the pharmacy.

Some considerations for the systematic review of the fee may include:

- 1. Direct costs such as:
 - a. Human resources e.g salaries
 - b. Equipment e.g computers
 - c. Statutory annual fees