

BANKMED MEDICAL SCHEME

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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The reports and statements set out below comprise the annual financial statements presented to members:

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The Board of Trustees hereby presents its annual report for the year ended 31 December 2022.

1 DESCRIPTION OF THE MEDICAL SCHEME

1.1 Terms of registration

Bankmed Medical Scheme (the Scheme) is a restricted membership medical scheme registered in terms of the Medical Schemes Act No. 131 of 1998 (the Act) and the Regulations thereto, as amended.

1.2 Benefit options within the Scheme

In terms of its rules, the Scheme offered six benefit options during 2022:

Bankmed Essential Plan Bankmed Basic Plan Bankmed Core Saver Plan Bankmed Traditional Plan Bankmed Comprehensive Plan Bankmed Plus Plan

1.3 Personal Medical Savings accounts

In order to provide a facility for members to set funds aside to meet future healthcare costs not covered in the benefit options, the Trustees have made the option of a savings plan available to meet this objective. The savings plan is available on the Bankmed Core Saver Plan, Bankmed Comprehensive Plan and Bankmed Plus Plan.

Unexpended savings amounts are accumulated for the long-term benefit of members and 50% of the interest earned on these funds is allocated to members.

The liability to the members in respect of the Personal Medical Savings account monies is reflected as a financial liability in the Financial Statements, repayable in terms of Regulation 10 of the Act.

1.4 Risk transfer arrangements

The Scheme had the following capitation agreements in place during the year under review:

- Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd To cover primary healthcare for members on the Bankmed Basic Plan and Bankmed Essential Plan; and
- Centre for Diabetes and Endocrinology (Pty) Ltd To cover diabetes claims for members on the Bankmed Comprehensive Plan, Bankmed Plus Plan, Bankmed Core Saver Plan and Bankmed Traditional Plan.

Bankmed Medical Scheme. Registration number: 1279



2 MANAGEMENT

2.1 Board of Trustees in office during the year under review

The Board of Trustees comprises 12 members constituted as follows:

- Six members are appointed by the three largest employer groups.
- Six members are elected by the members on a rotation basis at the Annual General Meeting. Two of the elected Board members retire at each Annual General Meeting and the vacancies thus created are filled.

Appointed by employer groups

Mr DW Bolt (Vice-Chairman)(End of term 23 June 2022) FirstRand Limited
Ms S Moodley	FirstRand Limited
Ms L Nkosi (Appointed 30 November 2022)	FirstRand Limited
Mr G Betela	Absa Bank Limited
Dr L Rametsi	Absa Bank Limited
Mr W MacFarlane (Appointed 24 August 2022)	The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited
Mr N Naidoo (Resigned 21 April 2022)	The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited
Ms G Noemdoe	The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited

Elected by members

Mr J Cresswell (Chairman)(Re-elected 23 June 2022) Mr DW Bolt (Vice-Chairman)(Elected 23 June 2022) Mr D Armstrong Mr RP Gush Mr J Henning (resigned 23 June 2022) Ms D Mantle Mr EA Schaffrath

The Board of Trustees met six times during 2022 for Board meetings and once for the Annual Strategic Planning session on the following dates:

21 April 2022
22 June 2022
21 July 2022
24 August 2022
29 September 2022
24 October 2022 (Special Board of Trustees Meeting)
30 November 2022

23 to 25 February 2022 (Annual Strategic Planning Session)



2 MANAGEMENT (continued)

2.2 Principal Officer

Mr T Mosomothane WeWork Rosebank (The Link), 1F 173 Oxford Road Rosebank 2196

2.3 Registered office address and postal address

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Rosebank	2128
2196	

2.4 Medical scheme administrator

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Sandton	Sandton
2196	2146

2.5 Managed care and wellness providers

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2 MANAGEMENT (continued)

2.7 Investment managers

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2 MANAGEMENT (continued)

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3 INVESTMENT STRATEGY OF THE SCHEME

The overall objective is that the return on the assets should be such that:

- The highest rate of return is achieved within the determined risk tolerance level;
- Assets are broadly selected to obtain real growth relative to the Consumer Price Index (CPI);
- The negative effect of equity volatility is mitigated by diversifying investment holdings over various types of asset classes, and by employing multiple investment managers to administer these holdings; and
- The Scheme's Statement of Investment Policy includes several risk mitigating provisions.

This means that the multi-asset portfolios are expected to provide real rates of return over a three-year period at the lowest possible rates of volatility, whilst the money market portfolio aims to ensure capital preservation and will be limited to investing in cash and fixed interest instruments.

Asset managers have been appointed to manage the assets of the Scheme. The Trustees will not undertake investment decisions in respect of these allocated assets without consulting a professional asset manager. An investment consultant has been appointed to assist with design and implementation of the investment policy, appointment and termination of asset managers, periodic review of each asset manager's performance against an agreed benchmark and assistance with all other investment consulting issues.

The Trustees will not encumber asset managers with restrictions or pre-determinations, other than limitations documented in the Statement of Investment Policy or applicable to the Regulations of the Act. The asset managers will be free to invest assets under their control according to a specified mandate on the understanding that their performance will be assessed according to the benchmarks set by the Scheme.

The Scheme utilises a current account and a liquid money market portfolio to manage its working capital cash requirements. Temporarily unused funds are kept in the higher interest yielding money market portfolio to maximise investment returns. When the funds are required for monthly operational purposes, they are transferred to the Scheme's transactional current account.

The Trustees have appointed an Investment Committee to recommend an appropriate investment policy to the Board of Trustees, and to oversee the implementation thereof.

4 ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE INVESTMENT MEASURES

The importance of the impact that the operations of an organisation have on Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) factors, is appreciated by Bankmed. The effect of an organisation's operations on the environment is an ever increasing point of focus, mainly due to the rapidly increasing number of climate change events. Along with this, the impact an organisation has on the social aspects of the community in which it operates, are direct indicators of the long-term sustainability and overall success of the organisation. Bankmed complies with the provisions of the Medical Schemes Act and the regulations of the Council for Medical Schemes. Bankmed insists on the highest standards of Governance practices within the Scheme, as well as with-in the Scheme's various service providers.



4 ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE INVESTMENT MEASURES (continued)

Bankmed's major sphere of influence on ESG factors is via its investment of the Scheme's reserves. The Scheme has investments in several varied organisations, as this results in diversity of the investments which is part of the investment risk management strategy. Bankmed's Investment Committee devotes substantial time to interrogating the Scheme's five investment managers' ESG analysis and assessment methodologies of the organisations they choose to invest in. All of Bankmed's appointed investment managers subscribe to the five principals of the Code of Responsible Investing in South Africa, of which the first principle addresses ESG requirements. The investment managers are required to report to the Investment Committee annually on various aspects of their investment performance and processes, one of the aspects being their consideration of an organisation's ESG factors, and any initiatives in this regard that the organisation has adopted.

As mentioned in section 3, however, part of Bankmed's investment strategy is that the investment managers are mandated to decide which organisations they invest in. The Investment Committee does not dictate asset choice within an investment managers' portfolio. The Scheme's investment managers undergo extensive scrutiny and due diligence before being appointed. But once appointed, their expertise in investing is not interfered with. Therefore, the regular analysis of their application of ESG considerations is carried-out instead of instructing the investment managers to invest or disinvest in any particular organisation.



5 REVIEW OF THE ACCOUNTING PERIOD'S ACTIVITIES

5.1 Operational statistics

	Essential Basic Plan			Core Saver Traditional Plan Plan		Comprehensive		Plus		Consoli	dated			
							Plan 2022 2021		Plan 2022 2021		Plan			2024
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
Number of members at year end	4,696	3,829	22,064	21,224	31,497	30,263	11,542	11,810	33,064	34,175	2,830	2,981	105,693	104,282
Number of beneficiaries at year end	6,569	5,369	42,754	40,863	65,809	63,293	25,388	26,222	71,829	74,977	5,090	5,426	217,439	216,150
Average number of members for the year	4,129	3,713	21,469	21,413	31,066	30,288	11,658	12,015	33,515	34,739	2,892	3,040	104,729	105,208
Average number of beneficiaries for the year	5,782	5,172	41,624	40,983	65,147	62,797	25,762	26,640	73,140	76,154	5,223	5,556	216,678	217,302
Dependant ratio to members at year end	0.40	0.40	0.94	0.93	1.09	1.09	1.20	1.22	1.17	1.19	0.80	0.82	1.06	1.07
Pensioner ratio (65 Years +)	0.88%	1.02%	2.16%	3.10%	3.23%	3.04%	11.33%	10.64%	15.61%	14.95%	43.85%	42.24%	8.93%	8.85%
Average age of beneficiaries	28.64	28.97	26.21	25.97	26.99	26.56	35.67	35.13	38.73	38.05	56.90	56.19	32.48	32.28
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Average net contributions per member per month (R)	1,648	1,625	2,811	2,751	3,177	3,047	5,383	5,211	5,190	5,029	7,816	7,574	4,059	3,969
Average net contributions per beneficiary per	1,040	1,025	2,011	2,751	3,177	5,047	3,303	5,211	5,150	5,025	7,010	7,374	4,000	3,505
month (R)	1,177	1,167	1,450	1,438	1,515	1,470	2,436	2,350	2,378	2,294	4,328	4,144	1,962	1,922
Relevant healthcare expenditure as a	_,			_,	_,	_,		_,	_,		.,	.,		_,
percentage of net contributions	44.53%	39.25%	77.61%	74.09%	75.55%	76.03%	108.72%	103.21%	113.81%	107.69%	129.57%	112.70%	98.77%	94.57%
Average administration costs per member per														
month (R)	221	208	227	214	221	208	222	209	221	208	222	209	222	209
Average administration costs per beneficiary														
per month (R)	158	150	117	112	105	100	100	94	101	95	123	114	107	101
Amounts paid to administrator (R'000)	9,404	7,983	48,898	46,037	65,469	60,246	24,568	23,898	70,631	69,099	6,095	6,047	225,065	213,310
Non-health expenses as a percentage of gross														
contributions	13.48%	12.85%	8.13%	7.79%	6.25%	6.10%	4.41%	4.27%	3.76%	3.63%	2.29%	2.21%	5.02%	4.81%
Average accumulated funds per member at 31														
December (R)													31,683	31,779
Average healthcare management expense per														
member per month (R)	114	106	114	106	104	98	104	98	104	98	104	98	107	100
Average healthcare management expense per														
beneficiary per month (R)	81	76	59	55	50	47	47	44	48	45	58	53	52	48
Return on investments as per an independent														
review by the Scheme's investment														
consultants.													7.20%	11.50%



5 REVIEW OF THE ACCOUNTING PERIOD'S ACTIVITIES (continued)

5.2 Results of operations

The financial results of the Scheme are clearly set out in the Annual Financial Statements accompanying this report.

5.3 Accumulated funds ratio

	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Total members' funds per the statement of financial position Less: Cumulative unrealised net gain on remeasurement of	3,348,701	3,313,940
investments to fair value	(227,068)	(241,945)
Accumulated funds per Regulation 29	3,121,633	3,071,995
Gross contribution income	5,833,518	5,733,096
Accumulated funds ratio	53.51%	53.58%

The Scheme's accumulated funds ratio exceeds the statutory reserve requirement of 25% of gross contribution income.

5.4 Outstanding risk claims provision

Movements on the outstanding risk claims provision are set out in Note 4 to the annual financial statements. There have been no unusual movements that the Trustees believe should be brought to the attention of the members of the Scheme.

6 ACTUARIAL SERVICES

The Scheme's actuary has been consulted in determining the contribution increases and the viability of benefit levels.

7 INVESTMENTS IN PARTICIPATING EMPLOYERS OF MEMBERS OF THE SCHEME

The Scheme holds the following investments in employer groups:

	2022	2021
	R'000	R'000
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	782,170	952,747
Cash and cash equivalents	620,182	278,865
Total	1,402,352	1,231,612

Refer to Note 17 for detailed disclosure in terms of related parties. The Scheme obtained an exemption from Section 35(8)(a) of the Act and is therefore permitted to hold investments in the participating employers of members.

8 AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee operated in accordance with the provisions of the Act. The primary responsibility of the Committee is to assist the Board of Trustees in carrying out its duties relating to the Scheme's accounting policies, internal control systems, IT governance and financial reporting practices. The internal and external auditors formally report to the Committee on significant findings arising from audit activities.

The Committee is mandated by the Board of Trustees by means of written terms of reference as to its membership, authority and duties, which have been complied with during the year under review. At all times the majority of the Committee is independent.

The Audit Committee has adopted a Combined Assurance Model to facilitate a coordinated approach to all assurance activities. The Combined Assurance Model aims to optimise the assurance coverage obtained from Scheme management, auditors, service providers and other assurance providers.

The Committee comprised of:

Ms F Petersen-Cook - Chairman (Independent) Ms R Gani (Independent) Ms F Levy-Hassen (Independent) Mr B Phillips (Independent) Mr EA Schaffrath (Trustee) Mr J Henning (Trustee)(Resigned 23 June 2022) Mr G Betela (Trustee)(Appointed 29 July 2022)

The Committee met five times during 2022 on the following dates:

17 February 2022
 07 April 2022
 22 April 2022
 29 July 2022
 21 October 2022

The Chairman of the Board of Trustees, the Principal Officer, the Finance Executive of the Scheme, the administrator, the internal auditor as well as the external auditor are invited to attend all Audit Committee meetings and have unrestricted access to the Chairman of the Committee. The Chairman of the Audit Committee is also a member of the Risk Management Committee.

9 REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

The Remuneration Committee is mandated by the Board of Trustees by means of written terms of reference as to its membership, authority and duties. Membership of the Remuneration Committee comprises four Trustees. The Remuneration Committee meetings are attended by an independent advisor to provide expert advice and guidance to the Committee.

The Committee comprised of:

Mr DW Bolt (Chairman) Mr D Armstrong (Chairman of the Investment Committee) Mr J Cresswell (Chairman of the Board of Trustees) Ms G Noemdoe (Chairman of the Risk Management Committee) Mr N Naidoo (Trustee)(Resigned 21 April 2022)

The Committee met three times during 2022 on the following dates:

10 February 2022 6 September 2022 8 November 2022

10 RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Risk Management Committee enabled the Board to oversee the risks against which the Scheme should be protected. The Committee is mandated by the Board of Trustees by means of written terms of reference as to its membership, authority and duties, which have been complied with during the year under review.

The Committee comprised of:

Ms G Noemdoe (Chairman)(Trustee) Mr J Cresswell (Trustee) Ms D Mantle (Trustee) Mr N Naidoo (Trustee)(Resigned 21 April 2022) Dr L Rametsi (Trustee) Ms F Petersen-Cook (Independent Audit Committee Chairman) Mr T Mosomothane (Principal Officer) Mr N Coghlan (Executive: Finance and Risk) Dr N Naidoo (Executive: Clinical and Operations)

The Committee met four times during 2022 on the following dates:

24 March 2022 24 May 2022 11 August 2022 6 October 2022

11 INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The Investment Committee ensures that the investment process is operated within the parameters of the Scheme's investment strategy. The Committee is mandated by the Board of Trustees by means of written terms of reference as to its membership, authority and duties, which have been complied with during the year under review.

The Committee comprised of:

Mr D Armstrong - (Chairman)(Trustee) Mr G Betela (Trustee)(Appointed 17 November 2022) Mr RP Gush (Trustee) Mr J Henning (Trustee)(Resigned 23 June 2022) Mr EA Schaffrath (Trustee)

The Committee met four times during 2022 on the following dates:

31 March 202226 May 202218 August 202217 November 2022

12 NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

The Nominations Committee ensures that the process of assessing the suitability of potential trustee candidates is thorough, fair and complete. The Committee is mandated by the Board of Trustees by means of written terms of reference as to its membership, authority and duties, which have been complied with during the year under review.

The Committee comprised of:

Mr D Armstrong - (Chairman)(Trustee) Mr G Betela (Trustee) Ms G Noemdoe (Trustee)

The Committee met once during 2022 on the following date:

13 April 2022

13 MEETING ATTENDANCE

The following schedule sets out trustee meeting attendances where column A indicates the total number of meetings that could have been attended and B the actual number of meetings attended.

	Boai	d of	Remun	eration	Au	dit	Ri	isk	Nomir	nations	Inves	tment
	Trus	tees	Comr	nittee	Comr	nittee	Manag	gement	Comr	nittee	Comr	nittee
	mee	tings	mee	tings	mee	tings	Comr	nittee	mee	eting	mee	tings
							mee	tings				
Trustee	Α	В	Α	В	Α	В	Α	В	Α	В	Α	В
Mr J Cresswell	8	8	3	3	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	-
Mr DW Bolt	8	8	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr D Armstrong	8	7	3	3	-	-	-	-	1	1	4	4
Mr G Betela	8	7	-	-	3	3	-	-	1	1	1	1
Mr RP Gush	8	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4
Mr J Henning	3	3	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
Mrs D Mantle	8	8	-	-	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	-
Mr W MacFarlane	4	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ms S Moodley	8	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mr N Naidoo	2	2	1	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
Ms L Nkosi	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ms G Noemdoe	8	7	3	3	-	-	4	4	1	1	-	-
Dr L Rametsi	8	8	-	-	-	-	4	3	-	-	-	-
Mr EA Schaffrath	8	8	-	-	5	5	-	-	-	-	4	4

14 NON-COMPLIANCE MATTERS

14.1 Non-compliance with Section 33(2)(b) and Section 33(2)(c) - Financial performance and soundness of the Bankmed benefit options

Nature and impact

In terms of Sections 33(2)(b) and 33(2)(c) of the Act, each benefit option shall be self-supporting in terms of membership and financial performance and be financially sound. The Bankmed Traditional Plan, Comprehensive Plan and Plus Plan incurred net healthcare deficits for the year ended 31 December 2022, thereby contravening Section 33(2)(b) and Section 33(2)(c) of the Act.

Causes for the failure

The Scheme's benefit design process always includes considerations which look at the Scheme as a whole, needing to provide a full range of benefit options to cater for the target population, and takes into account the Scheme's financial stability and current reserve levels. Similar losses were anticipated in the budget, which were approved by the Council for Medical Schemes (the CMS).

Corrective action

The benefits and contributions proposal approved by the CMS for 2022 included a budgeted loss. As required by the CMS, the Scheme continues to submit monthly management accounts reflecting the performance of the benefit options.



14 NON-COMPLIANCE MATTERS (continued)

14.2 Non-compliance with Section 26(7) – Late payment of contributions

Nature and impact

Contributions due from a number of participating employers were received more than three days after becoming due in certain months during 2022, which is in contravention of Section 26(7) of the Act.

Causes for the failure

Due to internal process delays in some participating employers, the contributions paid on behalf of members were not paid within three days of becoming due. As a result the Scheme is in contravention of Section 26(7) of the Act.

Corrective action

Scheme management continues to engage any employer group that pays late, and appropriate action is taken as and when necessary. The administrator's robust follow-up processes have been instrumental in ensuring continuous improvement in timeous payment of contributions by employer groups.

14.3 Non-compliance with Section 35(8)(a) – Investments in participating employers

Nature and impact

The Scheme holds investments, via various instruments, with Absa Bank Limited, FirstRand Limited, Landbank SOC Limited and The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited all of who are participating employers of the Scheme. The Scheme also banks with FirstRand Limited and therefore has various current accounts with this employer. This is in contravention of Section 35(8)(a) of the Act, as the Scheme is not allowed to hold investments in any participating employer.

Causes for the failure

As these institutions are major banks, an investment portfolio excluding these employers would fail to diversify optimally in the South African investment markets. Funds are therefore invested in various instruments issued by these participating employers. Investments in publicly traded instruments of participating employers are made and managed via external investment managers and are managed in terms of the agreed mandates.

Corrective action

The Scheme applied to the CMS and received an exemption from this section of the Act. The exemption granted is effective 7 April 2022 to 7 April 2025.



14 NON-COMPLIANCE MATTERS (continued)

14.4 Non-compliance with Section 35(8)(c) – Investments in any administrator

Nature and impact

The Scheme has investments in other administrators via unitised fund holdings within the Ninety One Absolute Opportunity and Prudential Global Real Return portfolios.

Causes for the failure

The Scheme invests in pooled investment products with independent third party asset managers who have full discretionary mandates in terms of asset purchases. All such investment decisions are made by these third party asset managers based on their own investment theses. The Scheme is not involved in this investment decision making process as the asset manager is solely responsible for the asset selection and investment performance of the portfolio.

Corrective action

The Scheme applied to the CMS and received an exemption from this section of the Act. The exemption granted is effective 1 December 2022 to 30 November 2025.

14.5 Non-compliance with Section 59(2) – Payment of claims within 30 days

Nature and impact

A medical scheme shall, in the case where an account has been rendered, subject to the provisions of this Act and the rules of the medical scheme concerned, pay to a member or a supplier of service, any benefit owing to that member or supplier of service within 30 days after the day on which the claim in respect of such benefit was received by the medical scheme.

Causes for the failure

A small number of claims were paid later than 30 days of the date of receipt. Delays occur when accounts are referred for clinical audit or other investigations. These are however exceptions and claims are generally paid within the prescribed time.

Corrective action

The Scheme is aware of the requirements and complies as far as possible. It is however an inherent part of the industry that a limited number of problematic claims may exceed the payment requirement of 30 days.



14 NON-COMPLIANCE MATTERS (continued)

14.6 Disclosure of personal information

Nature and impact

Regulation 15J (2) (b) requires the Scheme to ensure that there are provisions for ensuring confidentiality of clinical and proprietary information, including the diagnosis and treatment pertaining to any beneficiary. Condition 7 of the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA) requires that personal information be kept secure against the risk of loss, unauthorised access, interference, modification, destruction or disclosure.

Causes for the failure

During the year under review there were incidents where minor amounts of personal information were unintentionally shared with 3rd parties.

Corrective action

These incidents were reported to the Information Registrar as required. Remedial action included disciplinary action where applicable, additional training and the strengthening of control systems.

15 MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Scheme increased by 1.35% to 105,693 at the end of 2022 when compared to the total membership at the end of 2021 of 104,282. The Board of Trustees continue to monitor membership movements and the matter is receiving the necessary attention in terms of both risk management and future strategic options. At the end of 2022, the Scheme's average beneficiary age was 32.48 years (2021: 32.28 years). The pensioner ratio increased from 8.85% at the end of 2021 to 8.93% at the end of 2022.

16 BENEFIT OPTIONS

Benefit design is a dynamic process and aimed at fulfilling the needs and healthcare benefit requirements of the Bankmed member and employer base. For this reason, the Scheme offers six benefit options which are reviewed on an on-going basis in terms of affordability, financial viability, membership choice and legislative compliance.

17 SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATION

The Scheme's administration is outsourced to Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd. The Scheme regularly reviews its service level agreements. The Scheme also ensures that effective service delivery and service levels are monitored and evaluated on an on-going basis.

18 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The financial position of the Scheme and its robust risk management approach resulted in a reaffirmation of the AA+ rating from the Global Credit Ratings Agency indicating its strong ability to pay claims.

18.1 Review of underwriting results

The overall claims for 2022 was 1.82% lower than that budgeted for the year. With this the Scheme achieved a gross healthcare surplus of R62.9 million.

Relevant healthcare expenditure, expressed as a percentage of risk contribution income, was 98.77% for 2022 (2021: 94.57%). The gross healthcare (underwriting) result for 2022, amounted to 1.08% of gross contributions (2021: 4.75%).

The net healthcare deficit, after deducting non-healthcare expenditure, amounted to R230.1 million (before investment and other income) in 2022, compared to a deficit of R3.8 million in the previous year. In the budget it was anticipated that a net healthcare deficit of R296.4 million would be incurred, compared to a budgeted net healthcare deficit of R143.8 million in 2021.

The Scheme generated a net surplus for the year under review of R35.1 million (2021: R406.6 million).

18.2 Administration expenditure

Administration expenditure remained stable at 4.98% of gross contribution income in 2022 (2021: 4.80%). The overall administration expenditure figure compares favourably with the average administration expenditure of medical schemes (as obtained from the CMS annual report) in the healthcare industry.

18.3 Investments

The Scheme has a clearly documented investment policy and employs the services of independent investment managers in order to manage its various investment portfolios. Net investment income (including fair value gains after deducting asset management fees) during 2022 amounted to R263.3 million, which is 35.83% less than the R409.2 million generated in 2021. The performance of the Scheme's managers was in line with market performance. All of the Scheme's investment managers operate in terms of strict mandates that have been delegated to them by the Board of Trustees, which comply with the requirements of the Act and Regulations, and which are closely monitored.

The Board of Trustees has appointed an Investment Committee that in turn utilises the services of independent investment experts with the objective of advising the Board of Trustees regarding the implementation, benchmarking and monitoring of appropriate investment mandates. The investment mandates incorporate strategies which aim to outperform medical inflation.

19 COMMUNICATION

Scheme communications continue to be aimed at the education and empowerment of members and elevating the profile of the Bankmed brand in order to retain the current membership and attract new members. Ongoing evaluation of communication tools and channels has ensured continuous improvement of the impact of the marketing and communication messages and strategies.

20 MANAGED CARE

The Scheme constantly reviews the manner in which it mitigates its clinical and financial risks while at the same time ensuring the provision of the highest quality of care to members. The Managed Care programmes will continue to undergo improvement and development in order to cater for the prevailing conditions in the industry, and the interest of the members.

21 EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING DATE

There have been no other events that have occurred subsequent to the end of the accounting period that effect the annual financial statements, and that the Trustees consider should be brought to the attention of the members of the Scheme.

22 GOING CONCERN

The Trustees have no reason to believe that the Scheme will not be a going concern in the year ahead.

23 VOTE OF APPRECIATION

On behalf of Bankmed the Board would like to express its thanks to:

- All members of Bankmed and their employers.
- Independent members of the Board committees for their support.
- The Executive team and staff for the diligent manner in which they have managed the affairs of the Scheme.
- The Registrar of Medical Schemes and his staff for their co-operation and assistance.
- Our contracted service suppliers, industry associations and healthcare service providers.

24 CONCLUSION

The Scheme is well positioned to meet the current industry challenges, as well as future changes in the legislative framework. The Scheme continues to be financially strong and its products are competitive in terms of pricing, benefits and service levels.

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J CRESSWELL CHAIRMAN

19 April 2023 DATE

DW BOLT VICE CHAIRMAN

T MOSOMOTHANE PRINCIPAL OFFICER



TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITY AND APPROVAL

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the annual financial statements, which fairly present the state of affairs of Bankmed, comprising the statement of financial position at 31 December 2022, and the statements of comprehensive income, changes in funds and reserve and cash flows for the year then ended, and the notes to the financial statements. These include a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, and in the manner required by the Medical Schemes Act of South Africa as amended, and the regulations prescribed by the Council for Medical Schemes. In addition, the Trustees are responsible for preparing the Board of Trustees report and the Statement of Corporate Governance.

The Trustees are responsible for such internal controls as they deem necessary to enable the preparation of annual financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. The Trustees ensure the use of appropriate accounting policies and prudent judgements and estimates. The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records and an effective system of risk management.

The Trustees have made an assessment of the ability of the Scheme to continue as a going concern and have no reason to believe that the Scheme will not be a going concern in the year ahead.

The external auditor is responsible for reporting on whether the annual financial statements are fairly presented in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework.

Approval of the annual financial statements

The annual financial statements, as identified in the first paragraph, were approved by the Board of Trustees on 19 April 2023 and are signed on its behalf by:

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J CRESSWELL CHAIRMAN

DW BOLT VICE CHAIRMAN

T MOSOMOTHANE PRINCIPAL OFFICER

19 April 2023

DATE



STATEMENT OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Bankmed is committed to the principles and practice of responsibility, fairness, transparency, integrity and accountability in all dealings with its stakeholders. The Scheme conducts its affairs according to ethical values, and in compliance with a governance framework based on the principles published by the King Commission.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Trustees meet regularly and monitor the performance of the Scheme. They address a range of key issues and ensure that the discussion of items of policy, strategy and performance are critical, informed and constructive. The performance of third party service providers is monitored against contracted service level agreements. The Trustees have adopted, and maintain, a process of risk identification, assessment and management.

All Trustees have access to the advice and services of the Principal Officer and, where appropriate, may seek independent professional advice at the expense of the Scheme.

The Board of Trustees has appointed an Audit Committee, a Remuneration Committee, a Risk Management Committee, an Investment Committee and a Nominations Committee to assist it in executing its duties. The performance of the Board of Trustees, and the appointed sub-committees, is assessed annually against agreed upon terms of reference for each committee.

INTERNAL CONTROL

The Scheme maintains internal controls and systems designed to provide reasonable assurance as to the integrity and reliability of the annual financial statements and to safeguard, verify and adequately maintain accountability for its assets. Such controls are based on established policies and procedures and are implemented by trained personnel with the appropriate segregation of duties. The adequacy and effectiveness of the systems are assessed by the appointment of internal and external auditors.

No event or item has come to the attention of the Board of Trustees that indicates any material breakdown in the functioning of the key internal controls and systems during the year under review.

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19 April 2023 DATE

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of Bankmed Medical Scheme

Report on the financial statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Bankmed Medical Scheme (the Scheme), set out on pages 25 to 80, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022, and the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in funds and reserves and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Scheme as at 31 December 2022, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Medical Schemes Act of South Africa.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We are independent of the Scheme in accordance with the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors' Code of Professional Conduct for Registered Auditors (IRBA Code) and other independence requirements applicable to performing audits of financial statements in South Africa. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IRBA Code and in accordance with other ethical requirements applicable to performing audits in South Africa. The IRBA Code is consistent with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards).

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
Outstanding risk claims provision	
The outstanding risk claims provision of R160,869,000 at 31 December 2022 as described in Note 4 to the financial statements, is a provision recognised for the estimated cost of healthcare benefits that have been incurred prior to year-end but that were only reported to the Scheme after year-end.	We obtained an understanding from the Scheme's actuaries regarding the process followed in calculating the outstanding claims provision, which included the design and implementation of controls within the process. The actuarial method applied by the Scheme is one that is generally applied within the medical scheme industry.
The outstanding claims provision is calculated by the Scheme's actuaries which is reviewed by management and the Audit Committee and recommended to the	We obtained the actual claims data from the member administration system covering the year
Board of Trustees for approval. The Scheme's actuaries use an actuarial model, based on the Scheme's actual claim development patterns	ended 31 December 2022. The actual claims data reflects the most recent claims patterns, including the impact of COVID-19, and is taken into account in calculating the outstanding claims provision.

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 throughout the year, to project the year-end provision. This model applies the Basic Chain Ladder (BCL) method. The claim service date, processing date and amount are used to derive claim development patterns. These historical patterns are then used to estimate the outstanding claims provision. We identified this to be a matter of most significance to the audit because of the uncertainty in the projected claims pattern. A change in the projected claims pattern could cause a material change to the amount of the provision. 	We assessed the completeness of the claims data on the member administration system by understanding management's controls and selecting claim transactions from the claim source and agreeing these to the member administration system. No material inconsistencies were noted. We substantively tested a sample of claims received by the Scheme in the 31 December 2022 financial year, selected from the member administration system, and confirmed the accuracy of the service and process dates and the validity of the claim against the relevant Scheme rules. No material inconsistencies were noted.
	We assessed the completeness of the claims data in the Scheme's actuarial model by understanding management's controls and testing the reconciliation between the claims data per the member administration system and the claims data per the actuarial model. No material inconsistencies were noted.
	To assess the reasonableness of the Scheme actuaries estimation process, we compared the actual claim results in the current year to the prior year provision.We noted no matters for further consideration with respect to the estimation process.
	We have evaluated management's experts by assessing their competence, capability, and objectivity and noted no aspects requiring further consideration. We also obtained the outstanding claims provision report from the Scheme's actuaries and assessed whether the inputs, assumptions, methodology and findings per the report were consistent with our testing above. Based on the results of our assessment we accepted the inputs, assumptions, methodology and findings as reasonable
	 We performed the following procedure(s) to assess the adequacy of the outstanding claim provision: We obtained the actual claims run-off report up to 31 March 2023 from the Scheme's administrator and compared the claims paid post year-end to the outstanding claims provision at year-end as part of subsequent event procedures. No material inconsistencies were noted.
	• For a sample of claims from the claims run-off report, we tested the occurrence and accuracy of the claims as well as the accuracy of the related service dates by agreeing the claims to underlying supporting documents on the policy administration system and we identified no material inconsistencies.
	• We inquired from the Scheme's administrator whether there were delays



in processing claims at year-end that could possibly impact the claims run-off pattern subsequent to year-end. No such delays were identified.
• We obtained a list of pre-authorisations approved prior to year-end from the administrator. For a sample of pre-authorisations with a service date before year-end, we requested the related claim documentation and assessed if the related claim had been included correctly in the claims run-off report up to 31 March 2023. No material inconsistencies were noted.

Other Information

The Scheme's trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the document titled "Bankmed Medical Scheme Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022". The other information does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Scheme's Trustees for the Financial Statements

The Scheme's trustees are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Medical Schemes Act of South Africa, and for such internal control as the Scheme's trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Scheme's trustees are responsible for assessing the Scheme's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting, unless the Scheme's trustees either intend to liquidate the Scheme or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that



are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Scheme's internal control.

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Scheme's trustees.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Scheme's trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Scheme's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Scheme to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Scheme's trustees regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

From the matters communicated with the Scheme's trustees, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report, unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

Non-compliance with the Medical Schemes Act of South Africa

As required by the Council for Medical Schemes, we report the following material instance of non-compliance with the requirements of the Medical Schemes Act of South Africa, as amended, that have come to our attention during the course of our audit:

• Non-compliance with Section 33(2) – Option self sufficiency: Certain benefit options were not self-supporting in terms of financial performance.

Audit Tenure

As required by the Council for Medical Schemes' Circular 38 of 2018, Audit Tenure, we report that PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc. has been the auditor of Bankmed Medical Scheme for four years.

The engagement partner, Linda Pieterse, has been responsible for Bankmed's audit for four years.

Pricewaterhouse Coopers Inc.

PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc. Director: Linda Pieterse Registered Auditor Johannesburg, South-Africa 26 April 2023



I	Notes	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
ASSETS			
Non-current assets		4,035,919	3,952,956
Equipment		635	881
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	1	4,035,284	3,952,075
Current assets		537,493	567,022
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	1	364,454	173,628
Trade and other receivables	2	104,496	78,366
Cash and cash equivalents	3	68,543	315,028
Total assets		4,573,412	4,519,978
FUNDS AND LIABILITIES			
Members' funds		3,348,701	3,313,940
Accumulated funds		3,348,701	3,313,940
Non-current liability		5,157	5,308
Post-retirement medical aid liability		5,157	5,308
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Current liabilities		1,219,554	1,200,730
Post-retirement medical aid liability		1,025	950
Outstanding risk claims provision	4	160,869	193,039
Personal Medical Savings Account monies	5	931,302	934,373
Trade and other payables	6	126,358	72,368
Total funds and liabilities	:	4,573,412	4,519,978



	Notes	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Risk contribution income	7	5,101,515	5,010,748
Relevant healthcare expenditure		(5,038,612)	(4,738,529)
Net claims incurred		(4,920,630)	(4,610,045)
Risk claims incurred	8	(4,932,327)	(4,614,201)
Third party claims recoveries	8	11,697	4,156
Accredited managed healthcare services (no risk transfer)	9	(134,073)	(125,928)
Net income/(expense) on risk transfer arrangements		16,091	(2,556)
Risk transfer arrangements premiums paid	10	(160,497)	(149,424)
Risk transfer arrangements recoveries	10	176,588	146,868
Gross healthcare surplus		62,903	272,219
Administration fees	11	(225,065)	(213,310)
Other operating expenditure	12	(54,017)	(50,849)
Non-accredited managed care costs		(11,276)	(10,922)
Net impairment losses	14	(2,657)	(918)
Net healthcare deficit		(230,112)	(3,780)
Other income	_	305,964	456,392
Investment income	15	304,117	455,198
Sundry income	16	1,847	1,194
Other expenditure	_	(40,771)	(45,975)
Asset management fees		(17,656)	(15,343)
Interest paid on Personal Medical Savings Account monies		(23,115)	(30,632)
Net surplus for the year		35,081	406,637
Other comprehensive income			
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:			
Actuarial (loss)/gain on post retirement liability		(320)	189
Total comprehensive income for the year	_	34,761	406,826

	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Opening balance at the beginning of the year	3,313,940	2,907,114
Net surplus for the year	35,081	406,637
Other comprehensive income	(320)	189
Closing balance at the end of the year	3,348,701	3,313,940



	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash receipts from members and providers	5,831,363	5,742,495
Cash receipts from members - contributions	5,813,886	5,730,175
Cash receipts from members and providers - other	17,477	12,320
Cash paid to members and providers	(6,085,084)	(5,712,275)
Cash paid to members and providers - claims	(5,742,751)	(5,385,546)
Cash paid to providers - non-healthcare expenditure	(288,633)	(273,204)
Cash paid to members - savings plan refunds	(53,700)	(53,525)
Asset management fees	(17,656)	(15,343)
Dividends received	59,768	37,414
Interest received	137,818	114,657
Net cash (utilised in)/generated from operating activities	(73,791)	166,948
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds/(purchase) of equipment	32	(192)
Purchase of investments	(4,936,374)	(5,814,172)
Proceeds on disposal of investments	4,763,648	5,889,219
Net cash (utilised in)/generated from investing activities	(172,694)	74,855
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(246,485)	241,803
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	315,028	73,225
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	68,543	315,028

GENERAL INFORMATION

Bankmed Medical Scheme (the Scheme) is a medical scheme that offers hospital, chronic illness and day-to-day benefits and is administered by Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of Discovery Limited, listed in the insurance sector of the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE).

The Scheme is a restricted membership medical scheme registered in terms of the Medical Schemes Act No. 131 of 1998, as amended (the Act), and is domiciled in the Republic of South Africa.

BASIS OF PREPARATION

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), which are set by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). The Financial Statements are also prepared in accordance with the Act, which requires additional disclosures for registered medical schemes.

The detailed accounting policies have been set out in the respective note to the Financial Statements, with the general accounting policies applied in the preparation of these Financial Statements set out below. These policies have been applied consistently to all years presented, except for changes required by the mandatory adoption of new and revised IFRS.

The preparation of the Financial Statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Scheme's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement, or areas where estimates are significant to the Financial Statements, are disclosed in Note 22.

The Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with the going concern principle using the historical cost basis except for certain financial assets and liabilities, which include:

• Financial instruments at fair value through profit and loss

All monetary information and figures presented in these Financial Statements are stated in South African Rand thousand (R'000), unless otherwise indicated.



IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW STANDARDS

New standards, amendments and interpretations effective and relevant to the Scheme:

The following new standards, amendments and interpretations to the existing standards have been published and are effective for the current financial year.

Standard	Scope	Effective date
Amendment to IAS 1	Disclosure Initiative: The amendment clarifies that liabilities are	1 January 2022
'Presentation of Financial	classified as either current or non-current, depending on the	
Statements' on	rights that exist at the end of the reporting period. Classification	
Classification of Liabilities as	is unaffected by expectations of the entity or events after the	
Current or Non-current	reporting date.	

New standards, amendments and interpretations not yet effective and relevant to the Scheme:

The following new standard has been published but is not yet effective for the current financial year. The Scheme has not early adopted the standard. The standard, under certain circumstances, may have a material impact on the Scheme's assets, liabilities and results, and will result in additional and varied disclosure in the Financial Statements. Further detail is disclosed below.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD (IFRS) 17: INSURANCE CONTRACTS (Effective 1 January 2023)

IFRS 17 was issued in May 2017 and supersedes IFRS 4 'Insurance Contracts'. The Standard creates one accounting model for all insurance contracts and establishes principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of insurance contracts issued. The Standard requires insurance contracts to be measured using updated estimates and assumptions that reflect the timing of cash flows and takes into account any uncertainty relating to insurance contracts.

Insurance contracts

The primary objective of the standard is to identify insurance contracts within the Scheme. The contracts issued by the Scheme are insurance contracts, indemnifying members and their dependants against the risk of loss arising as a result of a health event. Certain of these contracts contain a Personal Medical Savings Account which were previously accounted for as financial instruments. Under IFRS 17 these will be accounted for as part of the insurance contracts.

Level of aggregation

Insurance contracts are aggregated into groups, or portfolios, of individual contracts when being measured and assessed as onerous on not. The level of aggregation has an impact on accounting for the insurance contracts, including the extent of offsetting and cross subsidisation to determine the appropriate level of aggregation in order to ultimately identify onerous contracts.

A portfolio of insurance contracts comprises contracts subject to similar risks that are managed together. Once the portfolio of insurance contracts has been established, it becomes the unit of account to which the requirements of IFRS 17 are applied. All member contracts issued by the Scheme are subject to similar risks and are managed together, and therefore fall into the same portfolio, with no further disaggregation required.



IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW STANDARDS (continued)

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD (IFRS) 17: INSURANCE CONTRACTS (continued) (Effective 1 January 2023)

Contract boundary

The contracts issued by the Scheme are in line with its financial year and therefore no contracts will be issued for a financial year after the end of that specific financial year. In addition, as no contract will exceed 12 months, no discounting will be applied.

Insurance contracts issued shall be recognized from the earliest of the following:

- (a) The beginning of the coverage period;
- (b) The date when the first payment from a policyholder becomes due; and
- (c) For onerous contracts, when the contracts become onerous.

With the insurance contracts being included in a single portfolio, and the coverage period aligning with the reporting period (financial year), the insurance contracts will be recognised from 1 January or from inception of cover should the member join the Scheme after 1 January. An exception to this would be where the Scheme as a whole is priced for a deficit position.

This would mean that all contracts would be onerous and the loss would need to be recognised when the contracts become onerous. As pricing for the Scheme is done in September for the following year, the onerous contract test would be assessed at this time, with the following year's loss being recognised in the current financial year.

Measurement

The Standard further provides for a simplified approach, the "premium allocation approach", for the measurement of a group of insurance contracts under certain conditions. One of those conditions is that at the inception of the group of contracts, the entity reasonably expects that the simplification will produce measurement of the liability for remaining coverage that would not differ materially from that produced using the 'general measurement' model. Another condition is that the coverage period is one year or less. The Scheme has opted for the simplified "premium allocation approach".

Risk adjustment

The Standard requires an adjustment for non-financial risk. The Scheme shall adjust the estimate of the present value of the future cash flows in order to provide for the possible financial implications of the Scheme bearing the uncertainty of the amount and timing of cash flows that may arise from non-financial risk. The objective of the risk adjustment provision for non-financial risk is to reflect the Scheme's perception of the possible economic burden which may be the result of non-financial risks.

IFRS 17 requires that the Standard is implemented retrospectively. This requires the identification, recognition and measurement of each group of insurance contracts as if the standard had always been applied. This also results in the derecognition of current balances that would not exist under IFRS 17, and the recognition of the resulting difference in Members' funds.



IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW STANDARDS (continued)

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD (IFRS) 17: INSURANCE CONTRACTS (continued) (Effective 1 January 2023)

Risk adjustment (continued)

IFRS 17 requires that the Standard is implemented retrospectively. This requires the identification, recognition and measurement of each group of insurance contracts as if the standard had always been applied. This also results in the derecognition of current balances that would not exist under IFRS 17, and the recognition of the resulting difference in Members' funds.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Onerous contracts

With the requirement to implement the Standard retrospectively, the opening balances of 2021 and 2022 will be impacted by the budgeted deficits (onerous contracts) for the respective years. The 2021 budgeted deficit unwinds in 2021 with the 2022 budgeted deficit unwinding in 2022. The original budgets, with IFRS17 adjustments, will be the starting point in calculating the onerous contract loss.

Risk margin on onerous contracts

In addition to the "best estimate" onerous contract provision above, a risk margin amount reflecting potential adverse claims experience is required. It is required that a confidence interval approach is used. A confidence interval is a range of values into which one would expect an outcome to fall with a given chance.

Historic variations from budget as a percentage of claims are used to calculate a 'standard error' deviation from budget, which is then used along with the Value at Risk (VaR) formula for claims variability in the Risk Based Solvency Assessment. The Value at Risk reflects a maximum financial loss which could be expected with a given probability i.e. a 90% VaR figure would be one that the scheme only has a 1 in 10 chance of performing worse than.

This margin is expected to have a material impact on the onerous contract value.

The Scheme has made extensive progress in the development of the necessary principles, policies and methodologies required to implement IFRS 17. Management are confident that the Scheme will be fully prepared to apply IFRS 17 to the Annual Financial Statements for the financial year ending 31 December 2023, including the required comparative figures arising from the 2022 financial year end.



FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the Financial Statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (functional currency). The functional and presentation currency of the Scheme is the South African Rand (R).

EQUIPMENT

Equipment is measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure is capitalised when it is reliably measurable and will result in probable future economic benefits. Expenditure incurred to replace a separate component of an item of equipment is capitalised to the cost of the item and the component replaced is derecognised. All other expenditure is recognised in profit or loss as an expense when incurred.

Disposal or retirement

On disposal or retirement of an item of equipment, any gain or loss, determined as the difference between the net disposal or retirement proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset, is included in profit or loss in the period of disposal or retirement.

Depreciation

Depreciation is charged to the statement of comprehensive income on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of items of equipment that are accounted for separately.

The estimated maximum useful lives of items of equipment are:

Computer equipment	3 years
Office equipment, furniture and fittings	5 years



CLASSIFICATION, RECOGNITION, PRESENTATION AND DERECOGNITION OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Scheme recognises a financial instrument when, and only when, it becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. The Scheme classifies its financial instruments into the following categories: financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit and loss, derivatives, and other receivables. Other receivables are receivables other than those arising from insurance contracts and include sundry accounts receivable and interest receivable. Other receivables are disclosed under Trade and other receivables.

The classification depends on the purpose for which the financial instruments are acquired. Management determines the classification of financial instruments at initial recognition. All purchases and sales of financial instruments are recognised on the trade date, which is the date on which the Scheme commits to purchase the financial asset or assume financial liability.

Offsetting financial instruments

This applies where a legally enforceable right to set off exists for recognised financial assets and financial liabilities, and there is an intention to realise the asset, and settle the liability simultaneously or to settle on a net basis.

The Scheme will disclose the net asset or liability in the Statement of Financial Position and on a gross basis in the accompanying notes if the above conditions are met.

Derecognition of financial assets and liabilities

The Scheme derecognises a financial asset or part of a financial asset when:

- The contractual right to the cash flows from the asset expires.
- The Scheme retains the contractual right to receive cash flows of the asset, but assumes the obligation to pay one or more third parties the cash flow without material delay.
- The Scheme transfers the asset, while transferring substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership.
- The Scheme neither transfers the financial asset nor retains significant risk and reward of ownership, but has transferred control of the financial asset.

The Scheme derecognises a financial liability when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or expires.

MEMBERS' FUNDS

The funds represent the accumulated funds of the Scheme. The funds are mainly held as statutory reserves for the solvency requirement as required by the Act.

FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

Financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. After initial recognition the financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method. In addition, the Scheme is not permitted to borrow, in terms of Section 35 (6)(c) of the Act. The Scheme therefore has no long-term financial liabilities.



PROVISIONS

The Scheme recognises a provision once the following conditions are met:

- It has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events.
- It is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation.
- A reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation can be made.

Provisions are measured as the present value of management's best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the reporting date. Where the effect of discounting to present value is material, provisions are adjusted to reflect the time value of money.

CONTINGENT LIABILITY

The Scheme will disclose a contingent liability if one of the following conditions are met:

- A possible obligation arising from past events, the existence of which will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Scheme.
- A present obligation that arises from past events but not recognised because:
 - It is not probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle an obligation.
 - The amount of the obligation cannot be measured with sufficient reliability.

MEMBER INSURANCE CONTRACTS

Contracts under which the Scheme accepts significant insurance risk from another party (the member) by agreeing to compensate the member or other beneficiary if a specified uncertain future event (the insured event) adversely affects the member or other beneficiary are classified as insurance contracts.

RELEVANT HEALTHCARE EXPENDITURE

Relevant healthcare expenditure consists of net claims incurred, accredited managed healthcare services (no risk transfer) and net income or expense from risk transfer arrangements.

LIABILITY ADEQUACY TESTS

Liability adequacy tests are performed to ensure the adequacy of the member insurance contract liabilities as at the reporting date. In performing these tests, current estimates of future cash flows under the Scheme's insurance contracts are used. Any deficiency is immediately recognised in the Scheme's surplus or deficit for the year.

INCOME TAX

In terms of Section 10 (1)(d) of the Income Tax Act 58 of 1962, as amended, receipts and accruals of a benefit fund are exempt from normal tax. A medical scheme is included in the definition of a benefit fund and consequently the Scheme is exempt from income tax.



ALLOCATION OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE TO BENEFIT PLANS

The following items are directly allocated to benefit plans:

- Contribution income;
- Claims incurred;
- Risk transfer arrangement fees;
- Accredited managed healthcare service fees;
- Expenses for administration;
- Interest paid on Personal Medical Savings Accounts.

The following items are apportioned based on the number of members per benefit plan:

- Other operating expenditure;
- Investment income, excluding interest income on Personal Medical Savings Account monies;
- Net fair value gains/(losses) on Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss;
- Other income; and
- Expenses for asset management services rendered.

STRUCTURED ENTITIES

A structured entity is an entity that has been designed so that voting or similar rights are not the dominant factor in deciding who controls the entity, such as when any voting rights relate to administrative tasks only, and the relevant activities are directed by means of contractual agreements. A structured entity often has some or all of the following features or attributes:

- Restricted activities;
- A narrow and well-defined objective, such as to provide investment opportunities for investors by passing on risks and rewards associated with the assets of the structured entity to investors;
- Insufficient equity to permit the structured entity to finance its activities without subordinated financial support;
- Financing in the form of multiple contractually linked instruments to investors that create concentrations of credit or other risks (tranches).

The Scheme has determined that some of its investments in pooled funds and in collective investments ("funds") are investments in unconsolidated structured entities. Disclosure of these investments has been made in Note 21 to the Financial Statements. The objectives include achieving medium to long-term capital growth. The investment strategy does not include the use of leverage.

These funds are managed by independent asset managers who apply various investment strategies to accomplish their respective investment objectives.

The change in fair value of each fund is included in the Statement of Comprehensive Income in 'Net fair value gains/(losses) on Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss'.



1. Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss

Accounting policy

The Scheme's investment strategy ("business model objective") is determined by means of an allocation across different asset classes and grouping of Financial assets into specific portfolios. Independent asset managers manage these portfolios under fully discretionary, active mandates with performance evaluated at portfolio level on a fair value basis. All asset managers are remunerated based on the fair value of the portfolios under management. The business model objective is achieved through the selling of assets per the documented strategy for realisation of gains with the collection of contractual cash flows being incidental to the primary business model objective. The Financial assets are managed together and grouped into specific portfolios. Based on the business model objective the Financial assets are measured at fair value through profit and loss.

Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss are initially recognised at fair value and the transaction costs are expensed in the surplus or deficit section of the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

The fair value of the financial instruments traded in an active market is determined by using quoted market prices or dealer quotes. The fair value of financial instruments not traded in an active market is determined by using valuation techniques that maximise the use of observable market data and rely as little as possible on entity specific estimates.

Gains or losses arising from subsequent changes in fair value are recognised under Other income in the Statement of Comprehensive Income within the period in which they arise.

Note

The Scheme's Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss are summarised by measurement classes as follows:

	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Listed equities	1,288,433	1,248,229
Commodity linked instruments	60,865	58,448
Collective investment schemes	417,017	216,779
Offshore collective investment schemes	131,568	131,454
Money market instruments	549,226	910,126
Bonds	1,319,173	1,170,196
Linked insurance policies	633,456	390,471
	4,399,738	4,125,703

1. Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss (continued)

Note	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Fair value at the beginning of the year	4,125,703	3,905,936
Dividends recapitalised	58,483	37,414
Interest recapitalised	180,351	160,230
Realised gains on disposal	62,452	40,218
Management fees	(17,656)	(15,343)
Acquisition of Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	4,751,273	5,662,163
Proceeds on disposal of Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	(4,745,992)	(5,873,876)
Net movement on revaluation of Financial assets at fair value through profit		
and loss	(14,877)	208,961
Fair value at the end of the year	4,399,738	4,125,703
Less: Short-term portion shown in current assets	(364,454)	(173,628)
	4,035,284	3,952,075

A register of investments is available for inspection at the registered office of the Scheme.

The weighted average effective interest rate on bonds for the year was 4.30% (2021: 8.40%).

2. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

Accounting policy

Receivables are non-derivative Financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market, other than those the Scheme intends to sell in the short term.

Receivables are initially recognised at fair value, plus transaction costs. The Scheme holds its insurance receivables and other receivables with the objective to collect the contractual cash flows and measures them subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, less provision for impairment.

Trade and other receivables comprise insurance receivables, arising from the Scheme's insurance contracts with its members and other receivables.

Impairment of insurance receivables

The Scheme assesses at each reporting date whether there is objective evidence that an insurance receivable is impaired. An insurance receivable, or group of insurance receivables is impaired, and impairment losses are incurred if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the insurance receivable (a "loss event") and that loss event (or events) has an adverse impact on the estimated future cash flows of the insurance receivable that can be reliably estimated.



2. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (continued)

Impairment of insurance receivables (continued)

Objective evidence that an insurance receivable is or group of insurance receivables are impaired includes observable data that comes to the attention of the Scheme regarding the following loss events:

- Significant financial difficulty of service provider or member debtors.
- Breach of contract, such as non-payment of member contributions when due, and if these remain unpaid for extended periods.
- Default or delinquency in payments due by service providers and other debtors.
- Adverse changes in the payment status of members of the Scheme.
- National or local economic conditions that correlate with non-payment of debtor contributions.

The Scheme first assesses whether objective evidence of impairment exists, individually for insurance receivables that are individually significant, such as service provider debtors. In the case of insurance receivables which are not individually significant, such as contribution debtors, receivables are grouped on the basis of similar credit characteristics, such as type of receivable and past due status. These characteristics are used in the estimation of future recoverable cash flows.

If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss on an insurance receivable has been incurred, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows. The carrying amount of the receivable is reduced and the amount of the loss is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

When a receivable is uncollectable, it is written off against the related provision for impairment. Such receivables are written off after all the necessary collection procedures have been completed and the amount of the loss has been determined. Where a provision for impairment has not been raised, the receivable is written off directly to the Statement of Comprehensive Income. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off decrease the amount of the provision for impairment in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed by adjusting the allowance account. The amount of the reversal is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

Impairment of other receivables

The Scheme applies the IFRS 9 simplified approach to measure expected credit losses which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for other receivables. To measure the expected credit losses, other receivables are grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and days past due. There have, however, been no impairments of other receivables during the year under review.

2. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (continued)

Note		
	2022	2021
	R'000	R'000
Insurance receivables		
Contribution receivables	59,799	40,520
Member and service provider claims receivables	2,981	2,772
Amount due	14,498	16,605
Less: Provision for impairment	(11,517)	(13,833)
Forensic receivables	4,442	3,535
Total receivables arising from insurance contracts	67,222	46,827
Other receivables		
Interest receivable	34,896	29,676
Prepayments	1,681	1,256
Sundry accounts receivable	697	607
Total receivables arising from other receivables	37,274	31,539
	104,496	78,366

- Bankı

At 31 December 2022, the carrying amounts of trade and other receivables approximate their fair values due to the short-term maturities of these assets. Interest is not charged on overdue balances. The estimated future cash flow receipts have not been discounted as the effect would be immaterial.

3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Accounting policy

Cash and cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid instruments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

In the Statement of Cash Flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise:

- Money on call and short notice; and
- Balances with banks

Cash and cash equivalents only include items held for the purpose of meeting short-term cash commitments rather than for investing or other purposes and are carried at cost, which, due to their short-term nature, approximates fair value.

3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (continued)

	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Current accounts	9,871	267,293
Cash held in segregated portfolios	58,672	47,735
	68,543	315,028

- Bank

The weighted average effective interest rate earned on cash and cash equivalents for the year was 5.20% (2021: 3.80%). Money market instruments have a weighted average maturity of 1 day (2021: 1 day).

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents approximate their fair values due to the short-term maturities of these assets.

4. OUTSTANDING RISK CLAIMS PROVISION

Accounting policy

Claims outstanding comprise provisions for the Scheme's best estimate of the ultimate cost of settling all claims incurred but not yet reported at the reporting date. Claims outstanding are determined as accurately as possible based on a number of factors. These include previous experience in claims patterns, claims settlement patterns, trends in claims frequency, changes in the claims processing cycle, and variations in the nature and average cost incurred per claim.

Claims handling expenses are not separately accounted for as this service is provided by the Administrator and a fixed fee is paid for the full administration service, including claims handling. No provision for claims handling expenses is required as the Scheme has no further liability to the Administrator at year end.

Estimated co-payments and payments from members' Personal Medical Savings Account monies are deducted in calculating the outstanding claims provision. The Scheme does not discount its provision for outstanding claims since the effect of the time value of money is not considered material.



4. OUTSTANDING RISK CLAIMS PROVISION (continued)

Note		
	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Outstanding claims provision - not covered by risk transfer arrangements	160,869	193,039
	160,869	193,039
Analysis of movement in outstanding claims		
Balance at the beginning of the year	193,039	134,507
Payments in respect of prior year	(198,181)	(131,125)
(Under)/over provision	(5,142)	3,382
Outstanding claims provision raised in current year		
Not covered by risk transfer arrangements	166,011	189,657
Balance at the end of the year	160,869	193,039
Analysis of outstanding claims provision		
Estimated gross claims	164,678	202,215
Less: estimated recoveries from savings plan accounts (note 5)	(3,809)	(9,176)
Balance at the end of the year	160,869	193,039

5. PERSONAL MEDICAL SAVINGS ACCOUNT MONIES

Accounting policy

Members' Personal Medical Savings Accounts (PMSAs) represent savings contributions (which are a deposit component of the insurance contracts), and accrued interest thereon, net of any savings claims paid on behalf of members in terms of the Scheme's registered Rules. The deposit component has been unbundled since the Scheme can measure the deposit component separately and the Scheme's accounting policies do not otherwise require recognition of all obligations and rights arising from the deposit component.

The deposit component is recognised in accordance with IFRS 9 and is initially measured at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. The insurance component is recognised in accordance with IFRS 4.

The savings accounts contain a demand feature and are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs, which is the amount payable to a member on demand, discounted from the first date that the amount could be required to be paid. Subsequent to initial measurement, the liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.



5. PERSONAL MEDICAL SAVINGS ACCOUNT MONIES (continued)

Accounting policy (continued)

Unspent savings at year end are carried forward to meet future expenses for which the members are responsible. In terms of the Act, balances standing to the credit of members are refundable only in terms of Regulation 10 of the Act.

Advances on savings contributions are funded from the Scheme's funds and the risk of impairment is carried by the Scheme.

Interest payable on members' PMSAs is expensed when incurred.

Note

	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Balance of PMSAs at the beginning of the year Add:	934,373	893,322
PMSA contributions received or receivable (note 7)	732,003	722,348
Interest received on PMSAs	23,115	30,632
Transfers received from other medical schemes Less:	4,547	2,556
Claims paid to or on behalf of members (note 8)	(708,664)	(660,960)
Refunds paid on death or resignation	(53,700)	(53,525)
Prescribed balances written off	(372)	-
	931,302	934,373

It is estimated that claims to be paid out of members' PMSAs in respect of claims incurred in 2022 but not reported will amount to approximately R3.8 million (2021: R9.2 million).

As at 31 December 2022 the carrying amount of the members' PMSAs were deemed to be equal to their fair values, which is the amount payable on demand.

Interest is determined in line with the Scheme's PMSA interest policy and added to the funds allocated to the member's PMSA in terms of the Scheme Rules. The Scheme does not charge interest on negative (overdrawn) PMSA balances.



6. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

Accounting policy

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Trade payables are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade payables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Unallocated funds

Unallocated funds arise on the receipt of unidentified deposits in favour of the Scheme.

Unallocated funds that have legally prescribed, that is funds older than three years, are written back and included under Sundry income on the face of the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

A liability for unallocated funds that have not legally prescribed is recognised and disclosed under Trade and other payables. The liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Note

	2022	2021
Insurance payables	R'000	R'000
Contributions received in advance	803	1,157
Reported claims not yet paid	90,470	38,305
Total liabilities arising from insurance contracts	91,273	39,462
Financial liabilities		
Accruals	9,170	8,794
Balances due to related parties	25,612	23,657
Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd	25,612	23,657
Unallocated funds	303	455
Total arising from financial liabilities	35,085	32,906
	126,358	72,368

At 31 December 2022 the carrying amounts of insurance and other payables approximate their fair values due to the short-term maturities of these liabilities.



7. RISK CONTRIBUTION INCOME

Accounting policy

Gross contributions comprise risk contributions and Personal Medical Savings Account contributions. Contributions on member insurance contracts are accounted for monthly when their collection in terms of the insurance contract is reasonably assured. Risk contributions represent gross contributions after the deduction of Personal Medical Savings Account contributions. Risk contributions are earned from the date of acceptance of risk, over the indemnity period on a straight-line basis. The earned portion of risk contributions received is recognised as revenue.

Note

	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Gross contributions per registered Scheme Rules Less: Personal Medical Savings Account contributions (note 5)	5,833,518 (732,003)	5,733,096 (722,348)
	5,101,515	5,010,748

8. NET CLAIMS INCURRED

Accounting policy

Claims incurred

Gross claims incurred comprise the total estimated cost of all claims arising from healthcare events that have occurred in the year and for which the Scheme is responsible, whether or not reported by the end of the year.

Risk claims incurred comprise:

- Claims submitted and accrued for services rendered during the year;
- Payments under provider contracts for services rendered to members;
- Over or under provisions relating to prior year claims estimates;
- Claims incurred but not yet reported;
- Claims settled in terms of risk transfer arrangements.
- Net of:
- Claims from members' Personal Medical Savings Account monies;
- Recoveries from members for co-payments;
- Recoveries from third parties;
- Discount received from service providers.

Anticipated recoveries under risk transfer arrangements are disclosed separately as assets, and are assessed in a manner similar to the assessment of the outstanding claims provision and claims reported not yet paid.



8. NET CLAIMS INCURRED (continued)

Accounting policy (continued)

Note

Reimbursements from Road Accident Fund

The Scheme grants assistance to its members in defraying expenditure incurred in connection with the rendering of any relevant health service. Such expenditure may be in connection with a claim that is also made against the Road Accident Fund, administered in terms of the Road Accident Fund Act No 56 of 1996. If the member is reimbursed by the Road Accident Fund, they are obliged, contractually, to cede that payment to the Scheme to the extent that they have already been compensated.

Due to the uncertainty around the confirmation and measurability of the Road Accident Fund amounts, the Scheme accounts for these amounts on a cash basis. These amounts are recognised as a reduction of net claims incurred.

2022 2021 R'000 R'000 Current year claims per registered Scheme Rules 5,480,121 5,082,121 Claims not covered by risk transfer arrangements 5,303,533 4,935,253 Claims covered by risk transfer arrangements (note 10) 176,588 146,868 Movement in outstanding risk claims provision 160,869 193,040 Over/(under) provision in prior year (note 4) (3, 382)5,142 Adjustment for the current year 155,728 196,422 5,640,991 5,275,161 Less: claims charged to members' Personal Medical Savings Accounts (note 5) (708, 664)(660, 960)**Risk claims incurred** 4,932,327 4,614,201 Less: Third party claims recoveries (11,697) (4,156) 4,920,630 4,610,045



9. ACCREDITED MANAGED HEALTHCARE SERVICES (NO RISK TRANSFER)

Accounting policy

Accredited managed healthcare services (no risk transfer) fees comprise amounts paid or payable to a third party for managing the utilisation, costs and quality of healthcare services to the members of the Scheme and are expensed as incurred.

Accredited managed healthcare services are part of healthcare expenditure as they directly impact on the delivery of cost-effective and appropriate healthcare benefits to beneficiaries of the Scheme.

Note

	2022	2021
	R'000	R'000
Clinical risk management	41,597	38,215
Hospital referrals and pre-authorisations	37,476	35,485
Medical provider network management	34,844	32,993
Pharmacy benefit management	20,156	19,235
	134,073	125,928

10. NET INCOME/(EXPENSE) ON RISK TRANSFER ARRANGEMENTS

Accounting policy

Risk transfer arrangements are contractual arrangements entered into by the Scheme and third parties who undertake to indemnify the Scheme against all or part of the loss that the Scheme may incur as a result of carrying on the business of a medical scheme. Risk transfer arrangements do not reduce the Scheme's primary obligations to its members and their dependants. The arrangements only decrease the loss the Scheme may incur as a result of carrying on the business of a medical scheme.

Risk transfer arrangement fees are recognised as an expense over the indemnity period on a straight-line basis.

The claims incurred under member insurance contracts and the equivalent claims recoveries are presented in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on a gross basis. Amounts recoverable under such contracts are therefore recognised in the same year as related claims. The claims incurred liability under risk transfer arrangements and the equivalent receivable are also presented in the Statement of Financial Position on a gross basis.

Assets relating to risk transfer arrangements include balances due under risk transfer arrangements for outstanding claims provisions, and claims reported not yet paid. Amounts recoverable under risk transfer arrangements are estimated in a manner consistent with the outstanding claims provision, claims reported not yet paid and settled claims associated with the risk transfer arrangement.



10. NET INCOME/(EXPENSE) ON RISK TRANSFER ARRANGEMENTS (continued)

Accounting policy (continued)

Amounts recoverable under risk transfer arrangements are assessed for impairment at each reporting date. These assets are deemed impaired if there is objective evidence, as a result of an event that occurred after its initial recognition, that the Scheme may not recover all amounts due and that the event has a reliably measurable impact on the amounts that the Scheme will receive under the risk transfer arrangement. The Scheme gathers the objective evidence that a risk transfer arrangement asset is impaired using the same process adopted for insurance receivables. The impairment loss is also calculated following the same method used for these receivables.

Note

	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
The Scheme operated the following risk transfer arrangements during the year	:	
Recoveries received from risk transfer arrangements	176,588	146,868
Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd	166,487	137,509
Centre for Diabetes and Endocrinology (Pty) Ltd	10,101	9,359
Less: Premiums paid on risk transfer arrangements	(160,497)	(149,424)
Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd	(152,103)	(141,266)
Centre for Diabetes and Endocrinology (Pty) Ltd	(8,394)	(8,158)
	16,091	(2,556)

The Scheme renewed two existing risk transfer arrangements during 2022.

Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd - primary healthcare

Primary healthcare for the Basic and Essential Plans are covered by the risk transfer arrangement with Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd. The risk transfer agreement is in accordance with instructions given by the Scheme. The risk transfer premiums are charged on a per beneficiary basis.

Centre for Diabetes and Endocrinology (Pty) Ltd

The Centre for Diabetes and Endocrinology (Pty) Ltd provides diabetes benefits to members of all benefit options of the Scheme, except for the Bankmed Basic Plan and Bankmed Essential Plan. The risk transfer agreement is in accordance with instructions given by the Scheme. The risk transfer premiums are charged on a per enrolee basis.

The estimated claims incurred under these arrangements are determined using the similar claims experience for members not on the relevant plans and calculating a Per Life Per Month (PLPM) rate. The value of claims under these arrangements are determined by multiplying the PLPM rate by the lives exposure for the relevant plan members.



11. ADMINISTRATION FEES

Accounting policy

Administration fees paid to the Scheme Administrator are expensed as incurred.

Note		
	2022	2021
	R'000	R'000
Accredited services		
Member record management	20,546	19,473
Contribution management	18,045	17,103
Claims management	22,733	21,545
Financial management	729	691
Information management and data control	36,845	34,920
Customer services	100,342	95,101
Other services		
Internal audit services	3,054	2,894
Marketing services	10,506	9,957
Forensic investigations and recoveries	3,820	3,621
Governance and compliance	603	572
Additional services		
Quality management and monitoring services	2,878	2,727
Advanced data analytics	2,400	2,275
Digital service offering	892	846
Enhanced service offering	478	453
Enterprise risk management services	478	453
Legal services	138	131
Product innovation	578	548
	225,065	213,310



12 OTHER OPERATING EXPENDITURE

Accounting policy

Other operating expenses include expenses, other than administration fees, and are expensed as incurred.

Note

	2022	2021
	R'000	R'000
Actuarial fees	3,391	2,929
Association fees	694	664
Communication expenses	4,955	3,882
Consulting fees	2,514	1,886
Depreciation	214	224
External audit fees	1,284	1,435
Fidelity guarantee and professional indemnity insurance premium	228	223
Internal audit fees	893	523
Legal fees	824	383
Levies - Council for Medical Schemes	4,610	4,702
Office lease and other rental charges	1,572	2,465
Other expenses	6,556	6,757
Principal Officer's remuneration	4,313	4,125
Staff costs	19,058	17,956
Trustee remuneration (note 13)	2,911	2,695
	54,017	50,849



13. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION

		Fees for meeting Fees for attendance attendance training se		ance of				Accommodation To costs		otal	
	2022 R'000	2021 R'000	2022 R'000	2021 R'000	2022 R'000	2021 R'000	2022 R'000	2021 R'000	2022 R'000	2021 R'000	
Mr Cresswell, J (Chairman)	377	277	17	14	-	-	14	-	408	291	
Mr Bolt, DW* (Vice-Chairman)	291	211	17	-	-	-	14	-	322	211	
Mr Armstrong, D	285	292	22	19	-	-	14	-	321	311	
Mr Betela, G*	180	16	19	-	-	-	14	-	213	16	
Mr De Lange, G	-	106	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	106	
Mr Gush, RP	196	175	12	19	-	-	-	-	208	194	
Mr Henning, J	122	225	6	19	-	-	-	-	128	244	
Ms Mantle, D	196	175	17	14	-	-	-	-	213	189	
Mr MacFarlane, W*	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	-	
Mr Mkhonza, D*	-	163	-	19	-	-	-	-	-	182	
Ms Moodley, S*	154	16	19	-	-	-	14	-	187	16	
Mr Naidoo, N (Nevan)*	86	180	-	14	-	-	-	-	86	194	
Ms Nkosi, L*	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	-	
Ms Noemdoe, G*	270	206	17	-	-	-	-	-	287	206	
Dr Rametsi, L*	185	175	17	14	-	-	14	-	216	189	
Mr Schaffrath, EA	243	322	22	24	1	-	14	-	280	346	
	2,627	2,539	185	156	1	-	98	-	2,911	2,695	

* Attendance fees are paid to employers

14. NET IMPAIRMENT LOSSES

	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Insurance receivables		
Contributions that are not collectable		
Impairment losses recognised directly in profit or loss	235	275
Members' and service providers' portions that are not recoverable		
Impairment losses recognised directly in profit or loss	4,739	199
Movement in provision	(2,317)	444
	2,657	918

15. INVESTMENT INCOME

Accounting policy

Investment income comprises dividends and interest received and accrued on Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss and interest on cash and cash equivalents.

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest rate method, taking into account the principal amount outstanding and the effective interest rate over the period to maturity, when it is determined that such income will accrue to the Scheme.

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the right to receive payment is established - this is on the "last day to trade" for listed shares and on the "date of declaration" for unlisted shares.

Note

	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss Dividend income Interest income	246,595 58,483 188,112	197,644 37,414 160,230
Cash and cash equivalents interest income	9,947	8,375
Net fair value gains on Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	47,575	249,179
	304,117	455,198

Accounting policy

Amounts due by the Scheme that have legally prescribed, that is funds older than three years, are reversed and included under Sundry income.

Note

	2022	2021
	R'000	R'000
Prescribed amounts written back	1,847	1,194

17. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Scheme is governed by the Board of Trustees which is constituted of 12 Trustees, six whom are employer appointed and six being member elected.

Key management personnel and their close family members

Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Scheme. Key management personnel include the non-executive Board of Trustees and the Executive Officers of the Scheme. The disclosure deals with full-time Executive Officers who are compensated on a salary basis, and non-executive Board of Trustees who are compensated on a fee basis.

Close family members include close family members of the Board of Trustees and Executive Officers of the Scheme.

Parties with significant influence over the Scheme

Absa Bank Limited, FirstRand Limited and The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited have significant influence over the Scheme, as they participate in the Scheme's financial and operating policy decisions through representation on the Board of Trustees, but do not control the Scheme.

NMG Consultants and Actuaries (Pty) Ltd has significant influence over the Scheme, as it consults and advises on various strategic issues which guide the Scheme's operations, but does not control the Scheme.

Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd (DH) has significant influence over the Scheme, as it participates in the Scheme's financial and operating policy decisions, but does not control the Scheme. DH provides administration and managed care services. The Scheme furthermore has a risk transfer arrangement for the Basic and Essential Plans with DH. As DH is a related party, its subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries within the Discovery Ltd group are related parties to the Scheme. Discovery Ltd's Annual Report provides detail of its group structure.

The Scheme contracted with Discovery Third Party Recovery Services (Pty) Ltd (DTPRS), a wholly owned subsidiary of Discovery Health (Pty) Ltd, to manage the identification and collection of third party recoveries from the Road Accident Fund.



17. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

Transactions with related parties

The following provides the total amount in respect of transactions, which have been entered into with related parties for the relevant financial year.

Transactions with key management personnel and their close family members which includes Trustees and Executive Officers:

	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Statement of Comprehensive Income		
Compensation		
Short-term employee benefits	14,617	13,775
Trustee remuneration (note 13)	2,911	2,695
Contributions and claims		
Gross contributions received	925	930
Gross claims paid	897	814
Interest paid on Personal Medical Savings Accounts	2	2
Statement of Financial Position		
Personal Medical Savings Accounts balances	69	66

The terms and conditions of the related party transactions were as follows:

Transactions	Nature of transactions and their terms and conditions
Compensation	This constitutes remuneration and consideration paid to Trustees and Executive Officers short-term employee benefits
Contributions received	This constitutes the contributions paid by the related party as a member of the Scheme, in their individual capacity. All contributions were on the same terms as applicable to other members.
Claims incurred	This constitutes amounts claimed by the related parties, in their individual capacity as members of the Scheme. All claims were paid out in terms of the rules of the Scheme, as applicable to other members.
Personal Medical Savings Account balances	The amounts owing to the related parties relate to Personal Medical Savings Account balances to which the parties have a right. In line with the terms applied to other members, the balances earn monthly interest on an accrual basis, at interest rates determined by the Scheme from time to time at its discretion. The amounts are all current and would need to be payable on demand as applicable to other members.

17. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

Transactions with entities that have significant influence over the Scheme

	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Statement of Comprehensive Income		
Actuarial fees	3,391	2,929
Administration fees	225,065	213,310
Road Accident Fund recoveries	5,605	-
Risk transfer premiums paid	152,103	141,266
Managed care: management services	125,338	118,679
Statement of Financial Position		
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss: Participating employers	782,170	952,747
Cash and cash equivalents: Participating employers	620,182	278,865
Insurance and other payables	25,612	23,657

The terms and conditions of the transactions with entities with significant influence over the Scheme were as follows:

Terms and conditions of the actuarial contract

The actuarial agreement is in accordance with instructions given by the Trustees of the Scheme. The agreement is reviewed annually and is renewable depending on fee negotiations, unless notification of termination is received. The Scheme has the right to terminate the agreement on 90 days notice.

Terms and conditions of the administration agreement

The administration agreement is in accordance with instructions given by the Trustees of the Scheme. The agreement is reviewed annually and is renewable depending on fee negotiations. The Scheme has the right to terminate the agreement on 6 months notice.

Terms and conditions of the risk transfer agreements

The risk transfer agreements are in accordance with instructions given by the Trustees of the Scheme. The agreements are reviewed annually and are renewable depending on fee negotiations.

Terms and conditions of the managed care agreements

The managed care agreements are in accordance with instructions given by the Trustees of the Scheme. The agreements are reviewed annually and are renewable depending on fee negotiations. The Scheme has the right to terminate the agreement on 6 months notice.

Terms and conditions of the third party recovery services agreement

The third party recovery services agreement is in accordance with instructions given by the Trustees of the Scheme. The agreement is reviewed annually. The Scheme has the right to terminate the agreement on 6 months notice.

Terms and conditions of investments in participating employers

All investments in participating employers are made and managed via external investment managers and are managed in terms of the agreed mandates.

18. SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) AFTER INVESTMENT INCOME, OTHER INCOME AND OTHER EXPENDITURE PER BENEFIT OPTION

2022	Bankmed Essential Plan R'000	Bankmed Basic Plan R'000	Bankmed Core Saver Plan R'000	Bankmed Traditional Plan R'000	Bankmed Comprehen- sive Plan R'000	Bankmed Plus Plan R'000	Consolidated R'000
Risk contribution income	81,679	724,125	1,184,269	753,030	2,087,159	271,253	5,101,515
Relevant healthcare expenditure	(36,375)	(562,011)	(894,702)	(818,722)	(2,375,327)	(351,475)	(5,038,612)
Net claims incurred	(31,282)	(547,509)	(855,874)	(804,255)	(2,333,816)	(347,894)	(4,920,630)
Risk claims incurred	(31,343)	(548,458)	(857,985)	(806,229)	(2,339,560)	(348,752)	(4,932,327)
Third party claim recoveries	61	949	2,111	1,974	5,744	858	11,697
Managed care: management services	(5,630)	(29,250)	(38,931)	(14,610)	(42,027)	(3,625)	(134,073)
Net income on risk transfer arrangements	537	14,748	103	143	516	44	16,091
Risk transfer arrangements premiums paid	(5,370)	(147,087)	(1,030)	(1,426)	(5,141)	(443)	(160,497)
Risk transfer arrangement recoveries	5,907	161,835	1,133	1,569	5,657	487	176,588
Gross healthcare surplus/(deficit)	45,304	162,114	289,567	(65,692)	(288,168)	(80,222)	62,903
Administration fees	(9,404)	(48,898)	(65,469)	(24,568)	(70,631)	(6,095)	(225,065)
Administration expenditure	(1,528)	(9,489)	(16,832)	(6,425)	(18,131)	(1,612)	(54,017)
Non-accredited managed care costs	-	-	(3,580)	(1,900)	(5,459)	(337)	(11,276)
Net impairment loss on insurance receivables	(78)	(466)	(819)	(313)	(903)	(78)	(2,657)
Net healthcare surplus/(deficit)	34,294	103,261	202,867	(98,898)	(383,292)	(88,344)	(230,112)
Other income	10,208	63,625	84,826	35,324	102,856	9,125	305,964
Investment income	10,146	63,241	84,314	35,111	102,236	9,069	304,117
Sundry income	62	384	512	213	620	56	1,847
Other expenditure	(589)	(3,672)	(14,856)	(2,038)	(18,017)	(1,599)	(40,771)
Asset management fees	(589)	(3,672)	(4,893)	(2,038)	(5,937)	(527)	(17,656)
Interest paid on Personal Medical Savings Account							
monies	-	-	(9,963)	-	(12,080)	(1,072)	(23,115)
Net surplus/(deficit) for the year	43,913	163,214	272,837	(65,612)	(298,453)	(80,818)	35,081

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18. SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) AFTER INVESTMENT INCOME, OTHER INCOME AND OTHER EXPENDITURE PER BENEFIT OPTION (continued)

2021	Bankmed Essential Plan R'000	Bankmed Basic Plan R'000	Bankmed Core Saver Plan R'000	Bankmed Traditional Plan R'000	Bankmed Comprehen- sive Plan R'000	Bankmed Plus Plan R'000	Consolidated R'000
Risk contribution income	72,427	706,963	1,107,523	751,284	2,096,238	276,313	5,010,748
Relevant healthcare expenditure	(28,425)	(523,824)	(842,059)	(775,366)	(2,257,457)	(311,398)	(4,738,529)
Net claims incurred	(22,578)	(493,741)	(806,507)	(761,469)	(2,217,716)	(308,034)	(4,610,045)
Risk claims incurred	(22,594)	(494,062)	(807,261)	(762,185)	(2,219,777)	(308,322)	(4,614,201)
Third party claim recoveries	16	321	754	716	2,061	288	4,156
Managed care: management services	(4,733)	(27,290)	(35,503)	(14,090)	(40,745)	(3,567)	(125,928)
Net income on risk transfer arrangements	(1,114)	(2,793)	(49)	193	1,004	203	(2,556)
Risk transfer arrangements premiums paid	(4,518)	(137,054)	(983)	(1,370)	(4,999)	(500)	(149,424)
Risk transfer arrangement recoveries	3,404	134,261	934	1,563	6,003	703	146,868
Gross healthcare surplus/(deficit)	44,002	183,139	265,464	(24,082)	(161,219)	(35,085)	272,219
Administration fees	(7,983)	(46,037)	(60,246)	(23,898)	(69,099)	(6,047)	(213,310)
Administration expenditure	(1,301)	(8,906)	(15,375)	(6,181)	(17,518)	(1,568)	(50,849)
Non-accredited managed care costs	-	-	(3,299)	(1,859)	(5,429)	(335)	(10,922)
Net impairment loss on insurance receivables	(23)	(161)	(277)	(112)	(317)	(28)	(918)
Net healthcare surplus/(deficit)	34,695	128,035	186,267	(56,132)	(253,582)	(43,063)	(3,780)
Other income	15,227	94,906	126,531	52,692	153,425	13,611	456,392
Investment income	15,187	94,658	126,200	52,554	153,024	13,575	455,198
Sundry income	40	248	331	138	401	36	1,194
Other expenditure	(512)	(3,191)	(17,455)	(1,771)	(21,168)	(1,878)	(45,975)
Asset management fees	(512)	(3,191)	(4,252)	(1,771)	(5,159)	(458)	(15,343)
Interest paid on Personal Medical Savings Account							
monies	-	-	(13,203)	-	(16,009)	(1,420)	(30,632)
Net surplus/(deficit) for the year	49,410	219,750	295,343	(5,211)	(121,325)	(31,330)	406,637

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19. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

There have been no events that have occurred subsequent to the end of the accounting period that effect the financial statements, and that the Trustees consider should be brought to the attention of the members of the Scheme.

20. INSURANCE RISK MANAGEMENT REPORT

Nature and extent of risks arising from insurance contracts

The Scheme issues contracts that transfer insurance risk. The primary insurance activity carried out by the Scheme indemnifies covered members and their dependants against the risk of loss arising as a result of the occurrence of a health event, in accordance with the Scheme Rules and the requirements of legislation.

This note summarises these risks and the way in which they are managed.

Insurance risk

The risk under any insurance contract can be expressed as the probability that an insured event occurs multiplied by the expected amount of the resulting claim. Insurance events are random and therefore the actual number and size of events during any year are unknown and vary from those estimated. The principal risk that the Scheme faces under its insurance contracts is that the actual claim payments exceed the projected amount of the insurance liabilities. This could occur because the frequency and severity of claims are greater than estimated. A larger number of members will result in smaller variability of the actual claims experience relative to expected levels. This is because an adverse experience is diluted by a larger group of members whose claims are stable and thus predictable.

Factors that aggravate insurance risk include unanticipated demographic movements, adverse experience due to an unexpected epidemic, changes in members' disease profiles, unexpected price increases, prevalence of fraud, supplier induced demand and the cost of new technologies or drugs.

The risks that the Scheme faces can be discussed for the different benefits offered. The three main types of benefits offered by the Scheme in return for monthly contributions are indicated below:

Hospital benefits

The hospital benefits cover medical expenses incurred arising from admission to hospital. This includes accommodation, theatre, professional fees, medication, equipment and consumables.

Day-to-day benefits

Day-to-day benefits cover the cost of out-of-hospital healthcare services, such as visits to general practitioners and dentists as well as prescribed non-chronic medicines. The day-to-day benefits include both the Personal Medical Savings Account (PMSA) and an insurance risk element. This includes the Above Threshold Benefit (ATB). The Scheme does not carry risk for PMSA benefits.



Insurance risk (continued)

Chronic benefits

The Chronic Illness Benefit covers approved medication and treatment for up to 44 listed conditions (Plan dependent), including the 27 Prescribed Minimum Benefit chronic conditions. These include conditions such as HIV / AIDS, high blood pressure, cholesterol and asthma.

The risks associated to the Scheme with the types of benefits offered to members are addressed below:

Hospital benefit risk

The main factors impacting the frequency and severity of hospital claims are the number of admissions and the cost per event. An increase in the frequency and severity of claims result in an increase in the cost of claims.

An increase in the admission rate is often linked to increases in the number of beneficiaries at older ages or with chronic conditions. The increase in cost per event is driven by annual tariff and other cost increases. An increased cost per event can also be caused by an increased case-mix, severity of admissions and the introduction of new hospital-based technologies.

Day-to-day benefits risk

The frequency and severity of claims are driven by the number and disease burden of claimants. The mix of members between the different benefit options as well as an increase in the number of claims categorised as prescribed minimum benefit (PMB) claims will also have an impact on the claims. The frequency of the ATB claims increases throughout the year as an increased number of members run out of their medical savings.

Chronic benefits risk

The main factors impacting the frequency and severity of chronic claims are the number of claimants and the cost per claimant respectively.

Higher increases in chronic claimants are linked to increases in the number of beneficiaries at older ages. In addition, changes relating to the eligibility for chronic benefits will also impact costs. An increase in the number of items per claimant will drive up the costs of chronic claims per claimant. Increases in the regulated prices for chronic medication, the Single Exit Price, and increases in dispensing fees will also result in an increase in costs per claim. The mix between the various chronic conditions will also have an impact on the frequency and the presence of multiple chronic conditions per person will have an impact on the severity of the claims.



Risk management

The Scheme has various initiatives that are used to manage the risk associated with claims experience. These include:

- Members have to be referred by a doctor prior to an elective admission.
- All hospital admissions have to be pre-authorised.
- Case managers monitor members with hospital stays that are longer than expected to ensure that members are discharged at appropriate times.
- The work of the Centre for Clinical Excellence, which evaluates the effectiveness of new technologies and recommends whether the Scheme should cover these.
- The development of protocols around various high cost conditions, such as lower back surgery.
- A dedicated unit to focus on reducing surgical consumable spend.
- The profiling of statistically significant outlier doctors on admission rate and generated costs as well as peer reviewing them.
- A Coordinated Care Programme. This is a dedicated unit to ensure direct coordination of care from medical providers to high risk beneficiaries that are exposed to conditions that would generate multiple admissions if not managed.
- An Advanced Illness Benefit Programme dedicated to managing care during the end of life stage for patients who are terminally ill.
- A disease management unit dedicated to managing high risk beneficiaries with complex diseases.
- Alternative reimbursement contracts exist with hospitals to mitigate the risk of additional utilisation above that which is expected for the demographics of the Scheme and severity of admissions.
- The Scheme manages and mitigates the risks associated with chronic illness benefits through an extensive managed care programme, involving detailed drug policy interventions, medicine protocols and benefit rules, all of which comply with the Regulations on Prescribed Minimum Benefits. In addition, the Centre for Clinical Excellence is involved in evaluating the effectiveness of new drugs and recommends whether the Scheme should cover these drugs or not.

Concentration of insurance risk

The Scheme is not subjected to a significant degree of concentration risk due to the various employers being located throughout the country. The Scheme also offers a wide range of benefit plans which meet a variety of members' needs. This results in the Scheme being representative of the medical scheme market and, as such, it experiences limited variability of the outcome.

An annual actuarial valuation is performed, which specifies the contributions to be charged in return for the benefits to be provided given the expected demographic profile of each benefit option.

Risk transfer arrangements

The Scheme has risk transfer agreements in which suppliers are paid to provide certain minimum benefits to Scheme members, as and when it is required by the members. These arrangements are also known as capitation arrangements and fix the cost to the Scheme of providing these benefits.



Risk transfer arrangements (continued)

The Scheme does, however, remain liable to its members to provide the benefits. If any supplier fails to meet the obligations of the risk transfer arrangement, the Scheme will cover the cost of the benefit.

When selecting a supplier, the Scheme assesses their ability to provide the relevant service. This is to mitigate against the reputational and operational risks that the Scheme faces should a supplier not meet its obligations. The Scheme also monitors the performance of the suppliers, checks the quality of care provided and has access to data on the underlying fee-for-service claims which are included in the arrangement.

Claims development

Detailed claims development tables are not presented as the uncertainty regarding the amount and timing of claim payments are typically resolved within one year, with the majority of cases being resolved within three months. At year end, a provision is made for those claims outstanding that are not yet reported at that date.

The methodology followed in setting the outstanding claims provision is the generally accepted actuarial methodology of chain ladder estimation. This methodology is the most objective, but the accuracy of the estimate is sensitive to changes in the average time from treatment to payment of claims. For hospital claims in the latest service month, a blend of the chainladder method and another method using the estimated cost per event and pre-authorised admissions is also followed.

The estimation of the December 2022 outstanding claims provision was made in accordance with Advisory Practice Note 304 of the Actuarial Society. In accordance with this guidance note, the following factors are considered to determine whether they would have any impact on the outstanding claims provision estimate:

- The homogeneity of claims data.
- The credibility of claims data.
- Changes in emergence and settlement patterns.
- The impact of seasonality.
- The impact of re-opened or adjusted claims.
- The impact of benefit limits and changes.
- External influences.
- The demographic profile of the Scheme.

Based on the processing patterns and claims development up to the end of December 2022 in respect of treatment dates during 2022, the recommended provision for outstanding claims as at December 2022 is R160.9 million (2021: R193.0 million).



Claims development (continued)

An analysis of sensitivity around various scenarios for the general medical insurance business provides an indication of the adequacy of the estimation process. The Trustees believe that the liability for risk claims reported in the statement of financial position is adequate. However, they recognise that the process of estimation is based upon certain variables and assumptions which could differ when claims arise. Consequently, if for example the estimates of the unreceived portion of risk claims costs for the year was 5% inaccurate, the impact on the net result of the Scheme would be as follows:

	2022	2021
Impact on outstanding claims provision	R'000	R'000
In-hospital claims incurred	5,275	6,194
Chronic claims incurred	2,239	2,775
Out-of-hospital risk claims incurred	529	683

Liquidity risk

The main component of the Scheme's insurance liabilities is the outstanding claims provision. These are generally settled in a short period of time, approximately 95% of this provision is settled within three months after the claim was incurred and the balance is settled within six months. The remaining insurance liabilities are generally settled within 30 days.

Liquidity risk can also arise when the Scheme's investment mix does not match the nature of the liabilities. However, investments are managed by professional asset managers and finance professionals who ensure that investments, including cash and cash equivalents, are always sufficiently liquid to meet current liabilities while excess reserves are invested to maximise investment return within the scope of Regulations to the Act.

Assumption risk

The Scheme's reserves and therefore solvency are sensitive to changes in claims development patterns. Another relevant assumption is medical inflation. Other assumptions that are considered include utilisation trends, the impact of new technology and the expected demographic profile of the Scheme membership.



21. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT REPORT

Overview

The Scheme is exposed to financial risk through its financial assets, insurance assets, financial liabilities and insurance liabilities. In particular, the financial risk is that the proceeds, for any reason, from its financial assets are not sufficient to fund the obligations arising from its insurance contracts. The most important components of financial risk include market risk, interest rate risk, investment risk, credit risk and liquidity risk.

The Scheme's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Scheme's statutory solvency requirement.

The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Scheme's risk management framework.

The Scheme manages these risks through various risk management processes. These processes have been developed to ensure that the long-term investment return on assets supporting the insurance liabilities is sufficient to contribute towards funding members' reasonable benefit expectations.

The Scheme manages the financial risks as follows:

- The Investment Committee, a Committee of the Board of Trustees, recommends the Scheme's investment policy to the Board of Trustees for approval. The Investment Committee meets at least quarterly and reports back to the Board of Trustees on the matters included in its terms of reference.
- The Scheme has appointed reputable external asset managers to manage its investments and their performance is monitored regularly.
- An external asset consulting company has been appointed to assist in formulating the investment strategy and to provide ongoing reporting and monitoring of the asset managers.
- The Scheme ensures compliance with Regulation 30, Annexure B of the Act.

Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market variables, such as foreign exchange rates, interest rates and equity prices will affect the Scheme's income or the value of its holdings in financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return on risk.

The Scheme's insurance liabilities are settled within one year and the Scheme does not discount insurance liabilities. Consequently, changes in market interest rates would not affect the Scheme's surplus or deficit arising from changes in the insurance liability.

Market risk (continued)

The table below summarised the primary risks affecting the Scheme's Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss exposure to market risk.

As at 31 December 2022	Currency risk R'000	Price risk R'000	Interest rate risk R'000	Total R'000
Financial assets at fair value				
through profit and loss	131,568	1,455,023	2,813,147	4,399,738
Listed equities	-	1,288,433	-	1,288,433
Commodity linked instruments	-	60,865	-	60,865
Collective investment schemes	-	-	417,017	417,017
Offshore collective investment				
schemes	131,568	-	-	131,568
Money market instruments	-	-	549,226	549,226
Bonds	-	-	1,319,173	1,319,173
Linked Insurance Policies	-	105,725	527,731	633,456
As at 31 December 2021	Currency risk	Price risk	Interest rate risk	Total
As at 31 December 2021	Currency risk R'000	Price risk R'000	Interest rate risk R'000	Total R'000
As at 31 December 2021 Financial assets at fair value	•			
	•			
Financial assets at fair value	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	R'000 131,454	R'000 1,394,373	R'000	R'000 4,125,703
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss Listed equities	R'000 131,454	R'000 1,394,373 1,248,229	R'000	R'000 4,125,703 1,248,229
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss Listed equities Commodity linked instruments	R'000 131,454	R'000 1,394,373 1,248,229	R'000 2,599,876 - -	R'000 4,125,703 1,248,229 58,448
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss Listed equities Commodity linked instruments Collective investment schemes	R'000 131,454	R'000 1,394,373 1,248,229	R'000 2,599,876 - -	R'000 4,125,703 1,248,229 58,448
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss Listed equities Commodity linked instruments Collective investment schemes Offshore collective investment	R'000 131,454 - - -	R'000 1,394,373 1,248,229	R'000 2,599,876 - -	R'000 4,125,703 1,248,229 58,448 216,779
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss Listed equities Commodity linked instruments Collective investment schemes Offshore collective investment schemes	R'000 131,454 - - -	R'000 1,394,373 1,248,229	R'000 2,599,876 - 216,779 -	R'000 4,125,703 1,248,229 58,448 216,779 131,454



Market risk (continued)

Currency risk

The Scheme operates in the Republic of South Africa and therefore its cash flows are denominated in South African Rand (the Rand). In terms of the diversified investment strategy operated by the Investment Committee, the Scheme has offshore investments.

The Scheme is exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from its investment in offshore collective investment schemes denominated in US Dollars.

At 31 December 2022 R131.6 million was invested in offshore collective investment schemes (2021: R131.5 million) which accounted for 2.94% of total investments, including cash and cash equivalents (2021: 2.96%).

The sensitivity of the Rand depreciating against the US Dollar is presented below.

Market risk sensitivity analysis	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	4,399,738	4,125,703
Change in members funds due to 20% depreciation in the Rand	58,592	20,542

Price risk

The Scheme is exposed to equity price risk as it invests funds in South African equities, managed by the Scheme's asset managers. The Scheme's equity portfolio is a long-term investment, and the funds invested in this portfolio are not needed in the short or medium-term. This mitigates the risk associated with short-term fluctuations in the equity market. The Scheme has appointed reputable asset managers with good track records in terms of performance.

At 31 December 2022 R1,455.0 million was invested in listed equities (2021: R1,394.4 million) which accounted for 32.56% (2021: 31.40%) of total investments.

The sensitivity of equity prices is presented below.

Price risk sensitivity analysis	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	4,399,738	4,125,703
Change in members funds due to 10% decrease in JSE All Share Index	140,580	305,495



Market risk (continued)

Interest rate risk

The Scheme is exposed to interest rate risk as it places funds in short-term investments, money market accounts and bonds. The risk is managed by maintaining an appropriate mix between fixed and floating rate investments within the Scheme's money market investment portfolio as well as additional fixed and call deposit investments. The bond managers have made use of bond futures and other derivative instruments within these portfolios to manage duration risk.

The Scheme holds 64.49% (2021: 58.55%) of its cash and cash equivalents and Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss in interest bearing instruments. This constitutes a significant portion of the Scheme's investments being exposed to changes in market interest rates, as the majority of the Scheme's interest bearing assets are held at variable rates.

The table below summarises the Scheme's exposure to interest rate risks. Included in the table are the Scheme's investments at carrying amounts, categorised by the earlier of contractual repricing or maturity dates:

	0 - 3 months R'000	> 3 - 12 months R'000	> 12 months R'000	Total R'000
As at 31 December 2022				
Cash and cash equivalents	68,543	-	-	68,543
Financial assets at fair value				
through profit and loss	72,557	291,897	2,448,694	2,813,148
-	141,100	291,897	2,448,694	2,881,691
As at 31 December 2021				
Cash and cash equivalents	315,028	-	-	315,028
Financial assets at fair value				
through profit and loss	27,690	145,938	2,426,248	2,599,876
-	342,718	145,938	2,426,248	2,914,904

The sensitivity of interest rate change is presented below.

Interest rate risk sensitivity analysis	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Cash and cash equivalents Financial assets at fair value	68,543	315,028
through profit and loss	2,813,148	2,599,876
	2,881,691	2,914,904

Change in members funds due to 2% increase in prime lending interest rate

145,314	315,467



Legal risk

Legal risk is the risk that the Scheme will be exposed to contractual obligations which have not been provided for. At 31 December 2022, the Scheme did not consider there to be any significant concentration of legal risk and no provision has been raised.

Investment risk

Investment risk is the risk that the investment returns on accumulated assets will not be sufficient to cover future liabilities.

The Scheme's Investment Committee oversees that the funds are invested in line with the Act.

The investment philosophy is to hold a diversified pool of assets. The assets are selected as being most appropriate given the liquidity and solvency requirements of the Scheme. In contemplating solvency, the return goals of the Scheme, as well as the risk associated with all assets and asset classes are considered. Diversification is across securities, issuers, asset classes, geographic regions as well as managers within asset classes where practical. The Scheme diversifies its investment portfolio by investing in short-term deposits, money market, bonds, listed property and equity portfolios managed by reputable asset managers.

The Investment Committee monitors the performance of the Scheme's asset managers to ensure performance is in accordance with the agreed mandates.

The following table compares the fair value and carrying amounts of assets and liabilities per class of assets and liabilities. The carrying amounts approximate the fair value amounts.

	Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	Financial assets at amortised cost	Insurance receivables and (payables)	Financial liabilities at amortised cost
31 December 2022	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
Investments	4,399,738	-	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	-	68,543	-	-
Insurance and other receivables				
Insurance receivables	-	-	67,222	-
Other receivables	-	37,274	-	-
Post-retirement medical aid				
liability	-	-	(6,182)	-
Personal Medical Savings Account				
monies	-	-	-	(931,302)
Insurance and other payables				
Insurance payables	-	-	(91,273)	-
Other payables	-	-	-	(35,085)
Outstanding risk claims provision	-	-	(160,869)	-

Investment risk (continued)

	Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	Financial assets at amortised cost	Insurance receivables and (payables)	Financial liabilities at amortised cost
31 December 2021	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
Investments	4,125,703	-	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	-	315,028	-	-
Insurance and other receivables				
Insurance receivables	-	-	46,827	-
Other receivables	-	31,539	-	-
Post-retirement medical aid				
liability	-	-	(6,258)	-
Personal Medical Savings Account				
monies	-	-	-	(934,373)
Insurance and other payables				
Insurance payables	-	-	(39 <i>,</i> 462)	-
Other payables	-	-	-	(32,906)
Outstanding risk claims provision	-	-	(193,039)	-

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Scheme, if a counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligation.

The Scheme's principle Financial assets are cash and cash equivalents, trade and other receivables and Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss.

Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables comprise of insurance receivables and other receivables. The main components of insurance receivables are in respect of contributions due from members and amounts recoverable from members in respect of claims debt.

Exposure to credit risk

The carrying amount of trade and other receivables represents the maximum credit exposure.

The Scheme ages and pursues unpaid accounts on a monthly basis. The tables below highlights Trade and other receivables which are due and past due (by number of days).

Based on past experience, the Scheme believes that no provision for impairment is required in respect of contribution debtors. For withdrawn member and service provider claims debtors that are past due and outstanding for less than 90 days, past experience has indicated that no provision is required. The Scheme has not renegotiated the terms of receivables and does not hold any collateral or guarantees as security.



Credit risk (continued)

Trade and other receivables (continued)

The table below illustrates the quality of the Scheme's receivables to assess the credit risk:

31 December 2022	Neither past due, nor impaired R'000	Past due, not impaired R'000	Impaired R'000	Total carrying amount R'000
Trade and other receivables	99,282	5,214	-	104,496
Insurance receivables	62,008	5,214	11,517	78,739
 Contributions outstanding Amounts recoverable from 	56,800	2,999	-	59,799
members and service providers - Forensic receivables	766 4,442	2,215	11,517	14,498 4,442
Accumulated impairment losses	-	-	(11,517)	(11,517)
Other receivables	37,274	-	-	37,274
-	99,282	5,214	-	104,496
31 December 2021	Neither past due, nor impaired R'000	Past due, not impaired	Impaired	Total carrying amount
	K 000	R'000	R'000	R'000
Trade and other receivables	73,698	R`000 4,668	R'000 -	R'000 78,366
Trade and other receivables Insurance receivables			R'000 - 13,833	
	73,698	4,668	-	78,366
Insurance receivables - Contributions outstanding	73,698 42,159	4,668 4,668	-	78,366
Insurance receivables - Contributions outstanding - Amounts recoverable from	73,698 42,159 38,004	4,668 4,668 2,516	- 13,833 -	78,366 60,660 40,520
Insurance receivables - Contributions outstanding - Amounts recoverable from members and service providers - Forensic receivables Accumulated impairment losses	73,698 42,159 38,004 620 3,535	4,668 4,668 2,516	- 13,833 -	78,366 60,660 40,520 16,605 3,535 (13,833)
Insurance receivables - Contributions outstanding - Amounts recoverable from members and service providers - Forensic receivables	73,698 42,159 38,004 620	4,668 4,668 2,516	- 13,833 - 13,833 -	78,366 60,660 40,520 16,605 3,535



Credit risk (continued)

Trade and other receivables (continued)

The table below provides an age analysis of the credit that is past due, but not yet impaired.

31 December 2022	30 days R'000	60 days R'000	90 days + R'000	Total R'000
Insurance receivablesContributions outstandingAmounts recoverable from	1,097	366	1,536	2,999
- members and service providers	719	700	796	2,215
Past due total	1,816	1,066	2,332	5,214
31 December 2021	30 days R'000	60 days R'000	90 days + R'000	Total R'000
Insurance receivables - Contributions outstanding Amounts recoverable from	893	301	1,322	2,516
- Contributions outstanding	893 647	301 317	1,322 1,188	2,516 2,152

Provision for impairment

Insurance receivables

For insurance receivables, the Scheme establishes an allowance for impairment that represents its estimate of incurred losses. The provision is based on the expected difference between the current carrying amount and the amount recoverable from the counterparty.

The main components of this provision are:

- A specific loss component that relates to individually significant exposures; and
- A collective loss component established for groups of similar assets in respect of losses that have been incurred but not yet identified.

The collective loss allowance is determined based on historical data of payment statistics for similar Financial assets.

Other receivables

The Scheme applies the IFRS 9 simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for other receivables.



Credit risk (continued)

Provision for impairment (continued)

Other receivables (continued)

To measure the expected credit losses associated with other receivables, these have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due. Other receivables comprise sundry accounts receivable and interest receivable and are all current and not in a past due status. No expected loss rate is assigned to receivables that are not past due. Any loss associated to these receivables is negligible and no provision raised. No further analysis is presented.

The movement in the provision for impairment, for each component of Insurance receivables has been presented below:

	Contribution receivables	Claims receivables	Total
	R'000	R'000	R'000
Balance as at 1 January 2021	-	13,389	13,389
Increase in provision for impairment	275	643	918
Amounts utilised during the year	(275)	(199)	(474)
Balance as at 31 December 2021		13,833	13,833
Increase in provision for impairment	235	2,423	2,658
Amounts utilised during the year	(235)	(4,739)	(4,974)
Balance as at 31 December 2022	-	11,517	11,517

Credit quality

The credit quality of trade and other receivables that are neither past due nor impaired as presented above can be assessed by reference to historical information about counterparty default.

Contributions debtors

The Scheme collects over 98% of outstanding contributions in the month following the contributions being due. Therefore, we can establish that the credit quality of contribution debtors is high and no additional disclosure of the credit quality is provided.

Withdrawn member claims debtors

These amounts are due from members that have withdrawn from the Scheme. A provision for impairment covering 88% (2021: 95%) of the total amount due has been raised and the Trustees are satisfied that this is adequate.

Service provider claims debtors

These amounts are due from service providers. As agreed with the providers, the majority of these receivables are recovered by reducing future provider payments thereby providing a high certainty of recoverability, thus no further analysis has been performed on these receivables.



Credit risk (continued)

Financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss and cash and cash equivalents

The Scheme manages credit risk on its investment portfolios through the appointment of reputable and appropriate asset managers, extensive diversification and ongoing monitoring and management of credit risk exposures and portfolio holdings.

At 31 December 2022 and 2021, the Scheme only held instruments subject to credit risk with credit ratings between AAA and BBB+ (Standard and Poor's or equivalent).

These investments are included in Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss in the Statement of Financial Position and no other material risks relating to these investments have been identified other than those already disclosed.

Cash and cash equivalents are only placed with reputable financial institutions with a high credit quality. The Scheme has a policy of limiting the amount of credit exposure to any one financial institution.

Unconsolidated investment structures

The Scheme has involvement with investment funds in which it invests but it does not consolidate. The investment funds meet the definition of structured entities because:

- The voting rights in the funds are not dominant rights in deciding who controls them because they relate to the administrative tasks only;
- each fund's activities are restricted by prospectus; and
- the funds have narrow and well-defined objectives to provide investment opportunities.

The asset managers invest the Scheme's monies in reputable funds which generate returns for the Scheme. The Scheme views these funds as unconsolidated structured entities. The Scheme monitors the performance of the funds closely to ensure the Scheme earns high returns without unnecessary exposure to risk.

The Scheme has investments in certain pooled portfolios and collective investment schemes (the Funds) as listed in the table below. The exposure the Scheme has to these Funds is also listed in the table. The Scheme's maximum exposure is limited to the total fair value of its investments in the Funds.

Credit risk (continued)

Unconsolidated investment structures (continued)

	2022		20)21
	Fair value of fund assets held	% Fund exposure attributable to	Fair value of fund assets held	% Fund exposure attributable to
Fund	R'000	Scheme	R'000	Scheme
Abax SA Income Prescient Fund	22,446	9.25%	21,059	9.25%
Nedgroup Investments Core				
Income Fund Class C1	502	0.00%	59	0.00%
Nedgroup Investments Money				
Market Fund Class C1	8,353	0.04%	-	-
Nedgroup Investments Money				
Market Fund Class C4	248,874	1.14%	70,583	0.38%
Nedgroup Structured Life				
Enhanced Income Fund	633,456	9.06%	390,471	6.49%
Ninety One GSF US Dollar Money				
Fund D USD	55,604	0.27%	57,796	0.38%
Ninety One Internal Money				
Market Fund	80,762	2.28%	67,931	2.97%
Ninety One Stefi Plus Fund Z	21,947	0.22%	20,622	0.18%
M&G Corporate Bond Fund	16,882	0.29%	15,934	0.28%
M&G Global Fixed Income Fund	75,964	6.69%	73,658	6.67%
M&G High Interest Fund	17,251	0.16%	20,591	0.23%

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Scheme will not have sufficient liquid funds available to settle financial obligations as they fall due.

The Scheme's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, with significant conservative margin, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Scheme's reputation. In order to meet the conflicting objective of enhancing returns while also providing high liquidity, the combined Scheme portfolios have explicit constraints that guarantee liquidity of at least 20% of the Scheme's assets within a period of one week.

The Scheme has complied with the requirements regarding the nature and categories of assets as prescribed by Section 35 and Regulation 30 of the Act.

Approximately 95% of the Scheme's insurance claim liabilities are settled within three months after the claim was incurred and the balance of the claims liability is settled within six months. The Scheme's remaining insurance liabilities are generally settled within 30 days.

Liquidity risk (continued)

The tables below illustrates the liquidity position of the Scheme:

31 December 2022	Up to 1 month R'000	> 1 - 3 months R'000	> 3 - 12 months R'000	Total R'000
Current liabilities	248,123	59,114	912,315	1,219,554
Post retirement medical aid				
benefit liability	85	170	770	1,025
Insurance liabilities	91,273	-	-	91,273
Financial liabilities	35,085	-	-	35,085
Personal Medical Savings				
Account monies	7,701	20,099	903,502	931,302
Outstanding risk claims				
provision	113,980	38,846	8,043	160,869

Current assets

Liquidity shortfall*

537,493

(682,061)

567,022

(633,708)

31 December 2021	Up to 1 month R'000	> 1 - 3 months R'000	> 3 - 12 months R'000	Total R'000
Current liabilities	223,212	85,396	892,122	1,200,730
Post retirement medical aid				
benefit liability	79	158	713	950
Insurance liabilities	39,462	-	-	39,462
Financial liabilities	32,906	-	-	32,906
Personal Medical Savings				
Account monies	14,575	38,041	881,757	934,373
Outstanding risk claims				
provision	136,190	47,197	9,652	193,039

Current assets

Liquidity shortfall*

* Money market related funds disclosed as non-current Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss are easily convertible into cash and cash equivalents to ensure the Scheme has sufficient liquidity to meet its obligations.



Fair value estimation

Financial instruments

The fair value of Financial instruments traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the reporting date. The quoted market price used for Financial assets held by the Scheme is the current closing price.

The fair value of Financial instruments that are not traded in an active market is determined by using valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise the use of observable market data where it is available and rely as little as possible on entity-specific estimates. Specific valuation techniques used to value Financial instruments include quoted market prices or dealer quotes for similar instruments.

The carrying value less impairment provision of trade receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their fair values due to their short-term nature.

Personal Medical Savings Account monies

Each members' Personal Medical Savings Account monies contain a demand feature. In terms of Regulation 10 of the Act, any credit balance on a member's Personal Medical Savings Account monies must be taken as a cash benefit when the member terminates his or her membership of the Scheme or benefit plan, and enrols in another benefit plan or medical scheme without a savings account or does not enrol in another medical scheme. Therefore the carrying value of the members' Personal Medical Savings Account monies are deemed to be equal to their fair values, which is the amount payable on demand.

Valuation of financial instruments by hierarchy level

The Scheme measures fair values using the following fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements:

Level 1:

Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. These are readily available in the market and normally obtainable from multiple sources.

Level 2:

Valuation techniques based on observable inputs, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices). This category includes instruments valued using: quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active, or other valuation techniques where all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.

Level 3:

Valuation techniques using significant unobservable inputs. This category includes all instruments where the valuation techniques include inputs not based on observable data and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation. This category includes instruments that are valued based on quoted prices for similar instruments where significant unobservable adjustments or assumptions are required to reflect differences between instruments.

Fair value estimation (continued)

2022	Level 1 R'000	Level 2 R'000	Total R'000
Investments at fair value through profit or loss			
Listed equities	1,288,433	-	1,288,433
Commodity linked instruments	60,865	-	60,865
Collective investment schemes	-	417,017	417,017
Offshore collective investment schemes	-	131,568	131,568
Money market instruments	-	549,226	549,226
Bonds	1,319,173	-	1,319,173
Linked insurance policies	-	633,456	633,456
	2,668,471	1,731,267	4,399,738
	Level 1	Level 2	Total
2021	R'000	R'000	R'000
Investments at fair value through profit or loss			
Listed equities	1,248,229	-	1,248,229
Commodity linked instruments	58,448	-	58,448
Collective investment schemes	-	216,779	216,779
Offshore collective investment schemes	-	131,454	131,454
Money market instruments	-	910,126	910,126
Bonds	1,170,196	-	1,170,196
Linked insurance policies	-	390,471	390,471
	2,476,873	1,648,830	4,125,703

Capital risk management

Capital adequacy risk is the risk that there may be insufficient reserves to provide for adverse variations on actual or expected future experience.

The Scheme's objective is to manage its capital in such a way that the annual contribution increase to members is as low as possible and to remain a going concern. The Scheme therefore uses investment income and the investments to fund any possible deficit that might occur as a result of operational losses.

Capital risk management (continued)

The calculation of the regulatory capital requirement is set out below.

	2022 R'000	2021 R'000
Total members' funds per Statement of Financial Position Less: cumulative unrealised net gain on remeasurement of investments to fair value	3,348,701	3,313,940
	(227,068)	(241,945)
Accumulated funds per Regulation 29	3,121,633	3,071,995
Gross annual contribution income	5,833,518	5,733,096
Solvency margin	53.51%	53.58%

The accumulated funds ratio above compares favourably to the minimum prescribed accumulated funds ratio of 25%.

22. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

The Scheme makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Outstanding claims provision

The critical estimates and judgements relating to the outstanding claims provision are set out under Note 20.

Other risk transfer arrangements

The critical estimates and judgements relating to other risk transfer arrangements are set out under Note 10.

Impairment of assets

The critical estimates made by the Scheme are set out under Note 21 and judgements relating to the impairment of assets are set out under Note 2.

23. NON-COMPLIANCE MATTERS

Circular 11 of 2006 (the Circular) issued by the Council for Medical Schemes (the CMS) deals with issues to be addressed in the audited Financial Statements of medical schemes. This includes the requirement that all instances of non-compliance be disclosed in the audited financial statements, irrespective of whether the auditor considers them to be material or not.

During 2022, the Scheme did not comply with the following Sections and Regulations of the Act:

Sustainability of benefit plans

Nature and impact

In terms of Sections 33(2)(b) and 33(2)(c) of the Act, each benefit option shall be self-supporting in terms of membership and financial performance and be financially sound. The Bankmed Traditional Plan, Comprehensive Plan and Plus Plan incurred net healthcare deficits for the year ended 31 December 2022, thereby contravening Section 33(2)(b) and Section 33(2)(c) of the Act.

Causes of failure

The Scheme's benefit design process always includes considerations which look at the Scheme as a whole, needing to provide a full range of benefit options to cater for the target population, and takes into account the Scheme's financial stability and current reserve levels. Similar losses were anticipated in the budget, which were approved by the CMS.

Corrective action

The benefits and contributions proposal approved by the CMS for 2022 included a budgeted loss. As required by the CMS, the Scheme continues to submit monthly management accounts reflecting the performance of the benefit options.

Contributions received after due date

Nature and impact

Contributions due from a number of participating employers were received more than three days after becoming due in certain months during 2022, which is in contravention of Section 26(7) of the Act.

Causes of failure

Due to internal process delays in some participating employers, the contributions paid on behalf of members were not paid within three days of becoming due. As a result the Scheme is in contravention of Section 26(7) of the Act.

Corrective action

Scheme management continues to engage any employer group that pays late, and appropriate action is taken as and when necessary. The administrator's robust follow-up processes have been instrumental in ensuring continuous improvement in timeous payment of contributions by employer groups.



23. NON-COMPLIANCE MATTERS (continued)

Investments in participating employers

Nature and impact

The Scheme holds investments, via various instruments, with Absa Bank Limited, FirstRand Limited, Landbank SOC Limited and The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited all of who are participating employers of the Scheme. The Scheme also banks with FirstRand Limited and therefore has various current accounts with this employer. This is in contravention of Section 35(8)(a) of the Act, as the Scheme is not allowed to hold investments in any participating employer.

Causes of failure

As these institutions are major commercial banks an investment portfolio excluding these employers would fail to perform optimally in the South African investment markets. Funds are therefore invested in various instruments issued by these participating employers. Investments in publicly traded instruments of participating employers are made and managed via external investment managers and are managed in terms of the agreed mandates.

Corrective action

The Scheme applied to the CMS and received an exemption from this section of the Act. The exemption granted is effective 7 April 2022 to 7 April 2025.

Investments in any administrator

Nature and impact

The Scheme has investments in other administrators via unitised fund holdings within the Ninety One Absolute Opportunity and M&G Global Real Return portfolios.

Causes of failure

The Scheme invests in pooled investment products with independent third party asset managers who have full discretionary mandates in terms of asset purchases. All such investment decisions are made by these third party asset managers based on their own investment theses. The Scheme is not involved in this investment decision making process as the asset manager is solely responsible for the asset selection and investment performance of the portfolio.

Corrective action

The Scheme applied to the CMS and received an exemption from this section of the Act. The exemption granted is effective 1 December 2022 to 30 November 2025.



23. NON-COMPLIANCE MATTERS (continued)

Claims paid in excess of 30 days

Nature and impact

A medical scheme shall, in the case where an account has been rendered, subject to the provisions of this Act and the rules of the medical scheme concerned, pay to a member or a supplier of service, any benefit owing to that member or supplier of service within 30 days after the day on which the claim in respect of such benefit was received by the medical scheme.

Causes of failure

A small number of claims were paid later than 30 days of the date of receipt. Delays occur when accounts are referred for clinical audit or other investigations. These are however exceptions and claims are generally paid within the prescribed time.

Corrective action

The Scheme is aware of the requirements and complies as far as possible. It is however an inherent part of the industry that a limited number of problematic claims may exceed the payment requirement of 30 days.

Disclosure of personal information

Nature and impact

Regulation 15J (2) (b) requires the Scheme to ensure that there are provisions for ensuring confidentiality of clinical and proprietary information, including the diagnosis and treatment pertaining to any beneficiary. Condition 7 of the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA) requires that personal information be kept secure against the risk of loss, unauthorised access, interference, modification, destruction or disclosure.

Causes of failure

During the year under review there were incidents where minor amounts of personal information were unintentionally shared with 3rd parties.

Corrective action

These incidents were reported to the Information Registrar as required. Remedial action included disciplinary action where applicable, additional training and the strengthening of control systems.