



## **SOCIAL HEALTH AUTHORITY**

### **PUBLIC NOTICE: NOTICE OF INTENTION TO EMPANEL HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS AND HEALTH FACILITIES BY THE SOCIAL HEALTH AUTHORITY**

The Social Health Insurance Act No. 16 of 2023 was enacted on the 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2023 and commenced on 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2023. The Regulations to the Act were *Gazetted* on the 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 for the better carrying out of the effects of the Act.

Section 33 of the Act on Empanelment provides as follows;

- (1) The Authority shall make payments out of the Funds to healthcare providers or health care facilities that are empaneled and contracted in accordance with the provisions of this Act.
- (2) A healthcare provider or healthcare facility seeking to be empanelled under the Act shall make an application to the body responsible for accreditation for quality of care in the manner prescribed by the Cabinet Secretary.
- (3) Upon the publication of the list of empanelled healthcare providers and healthcare facilities on the website and in the Kenya Gazette, the Authority may contract the healthcare providers or healthcare facilities within thirty days of the date of the publication of the list.
- (4) The body under subsection (2) may, at any time, revoke any accreditation under this section.
- (5) A healthcare provider or healthcare facility aggrieved by the decision of the body under subsection (2) may appeal to the Dispute Resolution Tribunal within thirty days of the decision of the Board.

Regulation 31 of the Social Health Insurance Regulations, 2024 further provides as follows;

- (1) The Authority shall pay claims to empanelled and contracted healthcare providers or health facilities.
- (2) Despite the provisions of subregulation (1), the Authority may pay claims to a healthcare provider or health facility that provides emergency treatment in accordance with the benefits package: Provided that the healthcare provider or health facility has been licensed and certified.
- (3) The Authority shall empanel all licensed and certified healthcare providers and health facilities in the list submitted to the Authority from time to time by the relevant body responsible for accreditation for quality of care.
- (4) The Authority shall continuously empanel healthcare providers and health facilities.

**NOW THEREFORE**, based on the above provisions of the law, the Authority has since received a list from the Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council (KMPDC) indicating the current licensed Health Facilities for purposes of Empanelment. The list is available on the [www.sha.go.ke](http://www.sha.go.ke)

**IT IS FURTHER NOTIFIED** for the information of all Healthcare Providers and Health Facilities that the Authority, shall within seven (7) days from the date hereof empanel all licensed and certified healthcare providers and health facilities in the list submitted to the Authority by the relevant Regulators responsible for accreditation.

**THEREFORE**, all Healthcare Providers and Health Facilities are requested to confirm their certification and licensure are up to date with their relevant Regulators.

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