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ELECTIVE CAESAREAN SECTIONS

Dear Member

In terms of the Polmed scheme rules, pre-authorisation for elective (voluntary) Caesarean sections will, subject to the PMBs, be considered in line with managed care and funding protocols. Like all other hospital admissions, pre-authorisation is mandatory.

Based on analysis over the past three years, on average, **70% of all confinements amongst Polmed members** are done via a Caesarean section. The vast majority is due to elective Caesarean sections. It must further be noted that the average cost of a caesarean section is 73% higher than normal deliveries. On average, normal deliveries costs **R34 000** compared to **R55 000** for caesarean sections.

New mothers-to-be are encouraged to discuss the pros and cons of an elective caesarean section versus a normal delivery with their treating doctors to assist in making an informed decision in terms of the mode of delivery. Members are reminded that a co-payment of R10 000 will be applied to have an elective caesarean section.

Should you have any queries, please send an email to: polmedmaternity@medscheme.co.za

Kind regards
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