



# Prison Officers' Medical Aid Society

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Dear Member,

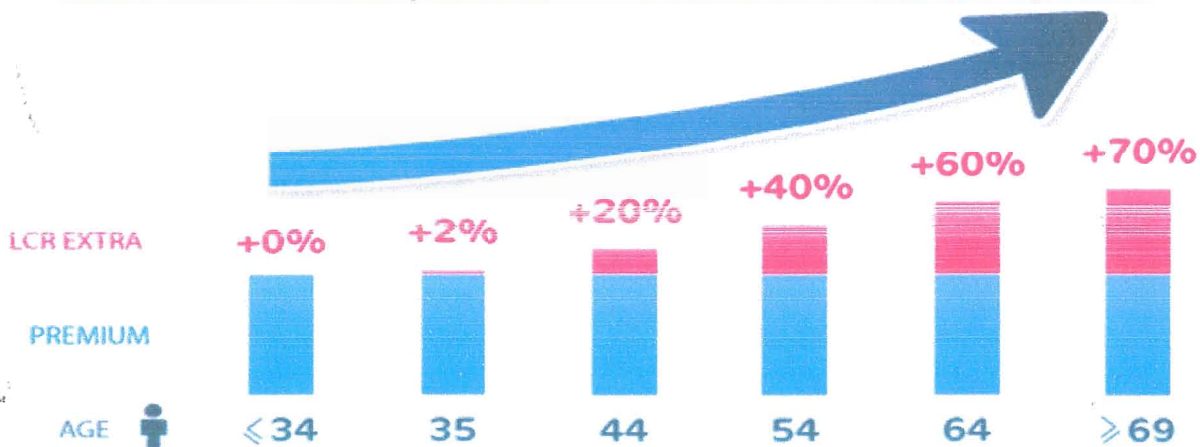
Please find enclosed the following –

- Resolution for forthcoming A.G.M.
- Update on Lifetime Community Rating.
- Discounts to Young Adults.
- Update on New Website./ Annual Claim Processing

## LIFETIME COMMUNITY RATING.

If you have a Spouse/ Partner or a colleague in the workplace that hasn't joined us it is important that you do so before the 1<sup>st</sup> May. Beware of the "Entry Level , yellow –pack plans in the market <sup>1</sup> - these policies while they cover **MOST** Public Hospitals – they don't cover **ALL** Public Hospitals , with restricted cover in Private Hospitals and unlike the Medical Aid cover for everyday Medical ,Dental & Optical benefits are non-existent. After **30th April 2015**, if you are over the age of 34 when you first take out health insurance, you will have to pay extra for your cover. It works out at an extra 2% of your premium for each year above 34, up to a maximum of 70%. If you're already a **POMAS** member, this won't affect you.

### Cost of health insurance premiums for new subscribers – after 30th April 2015



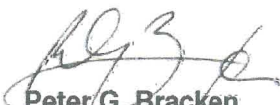
## DISCOUNTS TO YOUNG ADULTS.

From June the 1<sup>st</sup> POMAS will introduce a Full Range of Discretionary discounts to young Adult Members when they have turned 21. Remember Child Rate applicable to the Age of 21- represents a huge saving in policy costs for families in this category.

## WEBSITE UPDATE.

In line with the roll out of our new CLAIMS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM – POMAS will offer a more interactive website to its members from the end of March 2015. The address will continue to be [www.pomas.ie](http://www.pomas.ie) and we will advise details on logging in on the website pre go-live. All Claims will be updated on the website, when paid and also the Gross Amount that each member submits as well as the benefit paid will be visible and so in future will be valid for refund of tax on MED 1 form. We are currently processing Annual Claims; the turnaround time on Annual Claims is approximately 5 weeks from date of receipt due to the various components on these claims (GP & Dental & Consultant) compared to 5 days for Regular Claims.

Yours Faithfully

  
**Peter G. Bracken.**  
 Secretary

<sup>1</sup> Charlie Weston Personal Finance Editor Irish Independent Tuesday February 24<sup>th</sup> 2015

**RESOLUTION TO THE 33<sup>RD</sup> A.G.M. OF THE PRISON OFFICERS  
MEDICAL AID SOCIETY. March 20<sup>th</sup> 2015 @ McWilliam Park Hotel  
Claremorris, Co. Mayo**

**Resolution Proposed : Amendment to Rule 7**

**Current Rule 7**

All the following persons are eligible to be members of the Society :-

- I. All serving Prison Officers ,
- II. All retired Prison Officers,
- III. All recruit Officers of the service,

*No other persons are eligible to be a member of the Society. Any eligible person wishing to become a member shall apply in writing to the Secretary. All applications for membership must be in writing signed by the Applicant.*

*Subject to the exceptions listed hereafter all applications will be subject to the approval of and the conditions laid down by the Committee whose decision shall be final.*

*Recruit Officers who apply for membership within three months of commencement of their service and shall be admitted to membership without any requirement that their membership be approved by the committee.*

*All applicants shall, prior to admission as members , agree to pay such subscription to the funds of the Society at such time and in such manner as shall from time to time be prescribed by the Committee. On payment of his first subscription the applicant shall be deemed o be a member and to accept and be bound by the Rules.*

**Proposed Rule 7**

All the following persons are eligible to be members of the Society :-

- I. All serving Prison Officers ,
- II. All retired Prison Officers,
- III. All recruit Officers of the service,
- IV. All Staff members of the office of the Prison Officers Medical Aid , as per their terms and conditions of employment contracts.

*No other persons are eligible to be a member of the Society. Any eligible person wishing to become a member shall apply in writing to the Secretary. All applications for membership must be in writing signed by the Applicant.*

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**Proposed by : Tom O Reilly**

**Seconded by : Jimmy Kelly**

**IF YOU ARE NOT ATTENDING THE AGM YOU MAY VOTE BY PROXY. SEE BACK OF THIS SHEET FOR DETAILS.**

**PROXY FORM**

**(For Voting on Resolution Only)**

If you are **not** attending the A.G.M. you may give this Form to your Proxy.  
To be included in the Vote it must be **fully completed, signed and dated.**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO YOUR PROXY**

**He or she must present it for registration before the commencement of the meeting.**

I (Name) ..... ( Pay No.).....

Of (Address).....

A member of the above society **HEREBY APPOINT**

(NAME)..... (Pay No.).....

Of (Address).....

As my proxy vote on my behalf at the Annual General Meeting to be held on Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> of March 2015 in the McWilliam Park Hotel , Claremorris , Co. Mayo at 8.30pm sharp and at any adjournment thereof .

I confirm that the above named are members of the Society

Signed:.....

Date.....