MABS MUTUAL AID BENEFIT SCHEME

WHAT IS MABS

MABS is to assist the members and their families with medical benefits.

RULES OF THE SCHEME

A. QUALIFYING CRITERIA

The applicant must continuously be a member of the FTU for the period of not less than twelve months with subscription of \$10.00 from MOE fully paid.

Please note: MABS financial year is from 1st August to 31st July.

B. BENEFITS TO SPOUSE

Where husband and wife are both in the teaching profession, it is compulsory for both to be financial members in order to be able to claim benefits.

Where one of the spouse is not in the teaching profession, benefits can be claimed on behalf of the spouse by the financial member.

C. CHILDREN

Members' children who are under 21, fully dependent and unmarried, will be eligible to receive all MABS benefit, private practitioner service in accordance to the rules. Children who are full time students at tertiary institutions are eligible for the service till age 25

D. LOCAL PRIVATE PRACTITIONER SERVICE

Members and their spouses and children, as per the rules, will be seen by the designated Union Doctors. The member must obtain the Identity Card to qualify for this service. The Identity Card has to be presented to the doctor. The member has to sign for the service on the relevant form for all the visits. The standard normal rate for consultation paid by the Union is \$7.00 and the member is to pay \$3.00 upfront surcharge per consultancy. Any after hours fee above the normal rate charged by the doctor will have to be met by the member. For emergency cases, please seek medical service from your nearest Government Hospital.

E. IMPORTANT POINTS

The scheme is governed through well-defined rules. Therefore, members should be aware of them. Payments are made in accordance with the rules

Important rules often overlooked are:

1. Claims should be lodged within 30 days. (Claims processing period is 10 working days)

2. Referral letters must be obtained from FTU nominated doctors before seeing any specialist apart from (Dental and Eye Specialist)

3. A copy of the referral letter must be lodged with the claim at all times.

4. All claims must be submitted with original receipts.

5. FTU nominated doctors are only General Practitioners and not specialist therefore they cannot refer patients to themselves.

6. Spouses have to provide a consent letter with TPF number to allocate any payments from their MABS entitlement to one another.

7. Accommodation is not covered by MABS

- 8. Routine tests for preventive care are not covered by MABS.
- 9. IV drips and injections are also not covered

LIST OF APPROVED UNION DOCTORS

Premium Care Medical Centre -Garden City – 8924230 -Nausori - 3477002.	GoodLife Medical Centre 3 Kings Building Main St Nausori Ph: 9300999/7666690	Dr Monita Sharma Shop 1 Tebara Plaza Nakasi PH: 3413151 PH: 9246879	Dr. Toyin Olawale Jenyo Nakasi Ph:7223848/ 9484748		Dr. Yogendra Prasad 8 Miles makoi Ph: 3343157		Dr Lalita Devi Makoi Health Care Makoi 9208735	Vuvale Medical Centre Duilomalom a Road Sawani Ph: 2350564
Dr Ajesh Sen Alpha Care Medical Center Shop 3 Atlas Building Vieleveu Ph:2461310/7423309	Dr Gene Bogitini Valelevu Medical Ph: 3343700	Dr Prem Singh Prems Medical Centre RB Center Point Ph:3398204 Ph:8072520	Dr Ashika Sen President Plaza Samabula 3380195		Dr Ami Chandra Nabua Ph: 9380115		Dr Chun Pin Ma Nabua Digicel House 9077407	Pams Medical Cantre Samabula Ph: 3383880
Samabula Medical Samabula Ph: 3370880	Dr.Sarika Chandra Bayly House Suva 3315888	Friendly Medical Centre Amy Street, Toorak Suva Ph:9954613 / 7388588	Dr Mili Vadei P O Box 224 Pacific Harbour Navua PH: 9976592		Dr Dhirendra Lal Sigatoka Ph: 6500242		Dr Saras Nandan Nadi Ph: 6702394	Dr.Medel Labuguens Medical Clinic Votualevu Nadi Ph: 9311906
Dr Shaireen Prasad Guardian Medical Pte Ltd 1 Yawini St Lautoka Ph: 6650258 Ph: 8654196	Ba Medical Centre Dr Dur Samy Namoli Avenue Lautoka Ph:6652792 9494595	Dr Kaushal Kumar Life Care Medical Centre Lautoka Ph: 9754274	I Prestige Medical Center Ba Dr Rodolfo Doton Ph:6671555 Ba9990102		Dr Diva Singh DSM Centre Ba 4 Bank St Ba Town Ph: 9064735		Dr M.S.R. Dean Ba Town Ph:667835 Mob:9968795	Dr Ashana Rafiq Ba 9734679
Dr Sundressan Pillay Family Care General Practitioners Labasa Ph:9418939	Dr Bharathee Balram Labasa Ph: 8818755	Dr Mohammed Ishaq		Tailevu Family Medical Center Shop 8 Jawahir Lal Bldg Tailevu Ph: 2473919		Raina's Medical Centre Khalsa Road Tacirua Ph:9947210	Dr. Sivnay Ram Gold Town Medical Ph: 7457666	
Nine Miles Medical Highway Plaza, 9 1/2 Miles, Kings Rd, Nakasi Ph:902 6951 Sigatoka: Nayans Supermarket Kabisi	Dr Sheenal Singh Labasa Medical Centre Ph:9507296 9460010							

PAYMENTS

i. DIAGNOSTIC TEST

Blood Tests, X-Ray, Scan, Lab Charges, or any other test done to find out a medical condition is referred to as diagnostic test. Member may claim annually a maximum of **\$150.00** per member and family for one or more of the tests/services per family and member. **Where both spouses are members, \$300.00 per family can be claimed.** The claim supported by receipts to be lodged within a month of the treatment. No claim is payable for medical examination for migration purposes. Payment will be made only when the Union doctor has made a **referral** recommendation to a designated consultant at a hospital or practicing privately.

As at November 2017. ECG test done by Union doctors can be

ii. SPECIALIST TREATMENT

Specialist consultation, treatment, surgery.

A maximum of \$1000.00 per member and family annually on the recommendation of the FTU doctor is permissible for standard specialist services outside the hospitals. Appointments with specialists can be facilitated by the secretariat .Specialist medication is covered.

FTU has its own Nominated Physiotherapist under specialists-Mr Nilesh Chand Elite Physio Care 22 Makosoi Drive Ratu Dovi Road Nsinu For appointments please call on Ph: 9299935

<u>Special Tests</u> – Treadmill, MRI, CT scan, Endoscopy and Echo will be paid In full and is not classified under basic diagnostic tests <u>specified</u> above

Where doctors deem it necessary to refer patient for specialist attention an additional \$15.00 will be reimbursed to the member

iii DENTAL COVER

Dentist consultation fee, surgery of wisdom tooth only. Note that normal tooth extraction, filling and dentures are not covered.

iv OPTICAL COVER

Eye specialist consultation fee, eye surgery or treatment, eye tests. Note that we do not cover for eye glasses and lenses.

RETIREMENT BENEFITS

- 10-14 years of continuous membership \$150.0015-19 years of continuous membership \$300.0020-24 years of continuous membership \$600.0025-29 years of continuous membership \$1,000.00
- 30 years plus continuous membership \$ 1200.00

I. To claim for retirement benefit, the appropriate form must be filled together with MABS ID Card and retirement letter from MOE must be submitted.

 Members resigning for the purpose of migration are entitled to resignation benefit. However, those resigning to join other employment locally, are not entitled to resignation benefit.

iii. They will not be entitled for Death Benefits.

HONORARY MEMBERS

of retirement.

Referral Letters

to meet the cost of the referral letter.

They will be eligible to private practitioner service.

iv If both husband and wife were members of union, after retirement both should join honorary members in order to claim benefits.

As per rule 19 of FTU constitution, members who retire and wish to remain in

the scheme should join in by paying honorary subs of \$96.00 within 30 days

DEATH BENEFIT

I.	Member	\$1000.00
II.	Spouse	\$1000.00
III.	Child	\$1000.00
IV.	Still born chi	ld or death at birth \$300.00

TRAVEL BENEFITS

Where referral by doctor requires travel to a specialist or diagnostic centre, <u>The following rules apply</u>:

- I. Ground travel within the two main Islands, member can claim travel cost equal to charges of a running cab.
- II. Where members are required to travel by sea or air, costs equaling sea or air travel may be reimbursed.
- III. Travel cost within the district is not reimbursable.
- IV. Receipts for travel, receipts for fuel or travel vouchers must be submitted for refund.
- V. Children under the age of 16 can be accompanied by 1Adult.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1. For MABS ID Card enquiries contact secretariat 3314099/9928096 ftu@connect.com.fj
- 2. For MABS claims contact Archana Narayan -3314099/9928096- medical@ftu.com.fj
- 3. For Membership details contact Sangeeta Devi -3314099/9928096- membership@ftu.com.fj