

MEMBER COMMUNIQUÉ

To: The Board of Trustees
The Principal Officer
Administrators

06th October 2010

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Dear Colleagues,

Re: De-activation of practice numbers

The Practice Code Numbering System is administered by BHF in accordance with certain conditions set out by the Council for Medical Schemes (CMS). Under the conditions set out by CMS, it is required that all users of the PCN system should contribute towards the running and maintenance of the system through the payment of annual fees.

Of the approximately 45 000 healthcare practitioners registered on the system, to date BHF has no record of payment of annual PCNS fees by approximately 6500 practitioners, although every effort has been made to obtain payment from these practices. We are therefore forced to de-activate these practice numbers on the PCN system.

This will be done in two phases. The 1st batch will be de-activated on the 13th October and the second on the 2nd November 2010. We will distribute the lists of affected practice numbers as and when they are de-activated.

Should you require further information regarding this action, please contact BHF Client Services on clientservices@bhfglobal.com or on 0861 30 20 10.

Yours sincerely,

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Dr Humphrey Zokufa
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