

## NHI White Paper: Day 9

**This is the ninth in a series of daily analysis pieces of the NHI White Paper that will be sent to SAPPF- and HealthMan Members. Different aspects of the NHI will be analysed on a daily basis, which will help to assist providers in understanding how the NHI initiative will impact the private provider and their practice, as well as the impact on their own access to healthcare. Some broader economic impacts will also be included on occasion.**

### Extract from the White Paper

#### PHC Health Service Benefits -

The key focus of benefit specification: Prevention and Health Promotion, including but not restricted to, providing information education and support for healthy behaviours and PHC outreach and appropriate home care;

- Maternal, women and child health, including family planning and reproductive health services;
- HIV and tuberculosis;
- Chronic non-communicable disease; and
- Violence and injuries.



### Critical Analysis

A comprehensive primary healthcare system will go a long way to help reduce the disease burden in South Africa.

This approach worked well in Brazil. This focus can already happen now and one does not need to massively reorganise the entire health system to implement this measure.

There should also currently be attempts to increase the nature of preventative services in the private sector, without waiting for the implementation of NHI type reforms.

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