

## NHI White Paper: Day 19

**This is the nineteenth 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

**“The current subsidy to contributions through the medical tax credit will be reviewed during the phased implementation.”**

The Minister of Health and the ANC both indicated in July that medical scheme tax credits will be scrapped.

### Critical Analysis

The “NHI Implementation: Institutions, Bodies and Commissions that must be established” document that was gazetted on 7 July, states in the terms of reference of the National Advisory Committee on the consolidation of Financing arrangements, that there will be an Introduction of Mandatory Membership of Medical schemes by formally employed and that the cost will include subsidisation by government (either upfront or as tax credit system).

**While the Minister and ruling party is saying one thing, the published policy documents are indicating something else. This creates confusion on this aspect.**

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