

MediKredit NAPPI Changes and Information

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Important Notice

EXPANSION OF THE NAPPI® CODE TO 7-DIGITS

The National Pharmaceutical Product Interface Code (*or NAPPI® Code as it is commonly known*) is an intelligent, unique national coding system for all pharmaceutical, surgical and healthcare consumable products available in the South African private healthcare sector.

NAPPI® codes have successfully enabled reliable and efficient electronic claims processing for almost 30 years in South Africa and there are currently almost 300,000 active NAPPI® codes in the industry.

NAPPI® codes will be expanded to 7 digits to continue meeting the requirements of all industry stakeholders.

The implementation date for this change will be **1 March 2018** allowing sufficient time for all users of NAPPI® codes to cater for this change.

Please note that it is the responsibility of each organisation affected by the changes to evaluate the impact of this change, then plan and implement their changes by the above implementation date accordingly.

Since this change will also affect how organisations interface with each other, each organisation will need to co-ordinate with their interfacing parties to ensure changes are tested and implemented by the implementation date.

For further details of this implementation, please refer to the Technical Guidelines document published on the MediKredit website:

https://www.medikredit.co.za/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=93&Itemid=213

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