

Summary of Changes in Financing for Cancer Drugs

Table 1: Summary of Subsidy Changes

Drug Subsidies for Singaporeans (for drug-indications under the Medication Assistance Fund ²)	Current Coverage		Revised Coverage		Implementation Date
	PCHI ¹	Subsidy	PCHI	Subsidy	
	PCHI ≤ \$2,000	75%	PCHI ≤ \$2,000	75%	1 Sep 2022
	\$2,000 < PCHI ≤ \$2,800	50%	\$2,000 < PCHI ≤ \$3,300	50%	
	PCHI > \$2,800	0% ³	\$3,300 < PCHI ≤ \$6,500	40%	
			PCHI > \$6,500	0% ³	

¹ Find out your monthly Per Capita Household Income (PCHI) at <https://go.gov.sg/pchicalculator>.

² Note: There is no change to subsidy levels for the Standard Drug List.

³ In exceptional deserving cases, MAF may be extended upon appeal.

Table 2: Summary of MSHL, MSV and IP (Private Insurer Component) Changes

		Current Coverage	Revised Coverage		Implementation Date
		All cancer drugs	Drug-indication on CDL ⁵	Drug-indication not on CDL	
MediShield Life (MSHL)	Drug	Limit of \$3,000/month	Limit of \$200 - \$9,600/month	N.A.	1 Sep 2022
	Services ⁴		Limit of \$1,200/year		
MediSave (MSV)	Drug	Limit of \$1,200/month Additional limit of \$600/year for cancer scans (including post-treatment scans)	Limit of \$600/month or \$1,200/month, depending on the MSHL claim limit for the drug-indication	N.A.	
	Services ⁴		Limit of \$600/year (including post-treatment scans)		
IP (Private Insurer Component)	Drug	Varies across insurers' plans. Most offer as-charged coverage	Varies across insurers' plans, and will be set as a multiple of MSHL limits	Riders will cover drug-indications beyond the CDL. Coverage varies across insurers' plans	Upon policy purchase / renewal from 1 Apr 2023 onwards
	Services ⁴		Varies across insurers' plans		

⁴ Services refer to those that are part of the cancer drug treatment, including consultations, scans, lab investigations, chemotherapy preparation and administration, supportive care drugs and blood transfusions.

⁵The CDL, which includes more than 90% of the cancer drug treatments approved by the HSA, can be found on <https://go.gov.sg/moh-cancerdruglist>.