



NEWSFLASH

Your Umvuzo 2027 Update

8.5%

Average Increase



%

8.5% *Uniform Increase* across all five options.

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Summary of Key Shifts

For the 2027 benefit year, Umvuzo Health has implemented a uniform 8.5% contribution increase across all five options. To maintain the scheme's value proposition without compromising its financial health, there are no structural benefit adjustments. Instead, the focus has shifted to increasing monetary benefit limits by 4% to 6% to help offset medical inflation.



Ultra Affordable Focus: By shifting the income threshold from R11k to R11.5k, the scheme is attempting to protect affordability for its entry-level member base.



Stability: The core structure of the benefits (number of GP visits, scan protocols, and hospitalisation rules) remains unchanged, suggesting a focus on stability rather than plan redesign.

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Benefit limit *adjustments*



Over-the-Counter (OTC) Medication

Annual limit per beneficiary

Ultra Affordable	R790 → R840
Standard	R950 → R996
Activator	R1 800 → R1 896
Supreme	R2 650 → R2 760
Extreme	R3 330 → R3 480



Optometry (Frames)

Per beneficiary every 24 months

Ultra Affordable	R1 050 → R1 105
Standard/Activator	R1 315 → R1 380
Supreme	R1 575 → R1 655
Extreme	R1 840 → R1 930



Dental Care (Basic)

Annual limit per beneficiary

Ultra Affordable	R4 100 → R4 260
Standard	R4 900 → R5 100
Activator	R5 700 → R5 928



Specialised Dentistry

Reserved for the higher-tier plans

Supreme	R7 800 → R8 100
Extreme	R15 700 → R16 320



Appliances

Annual family limit for medical appliances

Ultra Affordable	R9 000 → R9 360
Standard	R13 500 → R14 040
Extreme	R15 500 → R16 140

3 Digital Health Integration

A significant portion of the 2027 strategy focuses on digital access, which explains the administrative efficiency supporting the 8.5% increase:



Umvuzo Care App:

Facilitates unlimited virtual consultations, which help retain members benefits for minor ailments.



WhatsApp Channel:

A new dedicated channel for real-time scheme updates and benefit information.



Member App:

Focused on self-service (tracking claims, viewing benefit balances, and requesting authorisations).

4 Increase per Option

Umvuzo Health has implemented a uniform 8.5% contribution increase across all five options:

Extreme	8.5%
Supreme	8.5%
Activator	8.5%
Standard	8.5%
Ultra Affordable	8.5%

5 Contributions

Option	Main member	Spouse	Child
Extreme	R 5 298	R 4 980	R 1 617
Supreme	R 4 044	R 3 801	R 1 214
Activator	R 3 526	R 3 315	R 1 060
Standard	R 3 370	R 3 200	R 1 022
Ultra Affordable (income below R11 500)	R 1 697	R 1 697	R 822
Ultra Affordable (income above R11 500)	R 2 498	R 2 498	R 997



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