



SAPC e-Note



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Dear Pharmacy Professional/Stakeholder,

The South African Pharmacy Council (SAPC) has noted with concern baseless and malicious discourse and petitions, alleging that it has increased annual fees by 10%. This is incorrect and far removed from reality. The annual fee adjustments for 2023 were published on Friday, 2 December 2022 through the *Regulations relating to fees payable to the South African Pharmacy Council* (GNR. 2827).

For 2023, the annual fees are adjusted by 6% - this is **below** the latest monthly headline Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation figure of 7,6% in October 2022. The 2023 annual fees are accessible on the SAPC website under "Regulations" or may be downloaded by [clicking here](#).

The SAPC **has not** increased fees by rates that were above the headline inflation rate in the recent past; for illustration, in 2021 there was a zero percent (0%) fee increase, and in 2022 the fees were only adjusted by 4% - which was below the headline inflation rate at the time of the fee determination.

As such, we urge the profession not to be alarmed or influenced by the false statements made concerning the annual fee increases, and to dismiss the peddlers of the misinformation campaign concerning fees with the contempt they deserve.

SAPC annual fees continue to be the lowest of comparable professions in health and other sectors, and they support the carrying out of its work and mandate as detailed in the annual reports found [here](#).

Yours sincerely,

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Registrar/CEO

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