



# Healthcare 99

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### *Thanks*

The trustee wishes to thank all members for their continued support throughout all the years from the inception of Healthcare 99 to now, and is pleased to announce that the increase to contribution rates this year has been held at a level far less than the increasing rates of medical costs.

### *New Rates - See enclosed brochure*

- There is no increase to the over 60's contribution rate this year.
- All other age bands have a 1% increase in contribution rates.
- Remember there is only one annual increase (if you move into another age band during the year, you will remain on your current band until the next annual increase).

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**(and their families)**

## *New Brochure*

Included with this newsletter, you have a new Information Brochure that includes the Rules of the Trust Fund, the Terms & Conditions, the current Contribution Rates and a Table of Benefits. To ensure that you receive your entitlements, please familiarise yourself with these benefits.

## *Important Points to Remember*

- all hospital procedures **MUST** have the **PRIOR APPROVAL** of the claims manager
- all claims must be submitted **WITHIN 30 DAYS** of being incurred.
- all claims submitted are subject to reimbursement at the sole discretion of the Trustee

If you have any queries on any of this information, please contact our office on **0800 653 473** or our Claims Manager, Aon New Zealand Ltd, on **0800 50 51 52** and ask to speak to Mark Langford.

The New contribution rates will apply from 10 October 2007 paid staff Pay 14.

If we don't hear from you before 26th September 2007, we will adjust your contributions according to the new rates listed in the enclosed brochure.

Check out our web page [www.firefighters.org.nz](http://www.firefighters.org.nz) for any Welfare Benefits to which you may be entitled.