

Non-binding advisory votes

The Remuneration Committee's commitment to proactively engage and consult with shareholders on the remuneration policy pleasingly resulted in a significant improvement in the number of votes in favour of the policy at the 2019 AGM of 96.1%, compared to the 87.6% 'yes' votes received in the prior year. This indicates shareholder appreciation for the level of transparency of our 2018 remuneration report as well as the CEO and CFO remuneration benchmarking exercise undertaken in 2018, which indicated that our pay levels for these positions align with market norms and peer companies.

AGM held on 1 February 2019

	Votes in favour	Votes against	Abstentions
Remuneration policy	96.1%	3.9%	0.1%
Implementation report	97.2%	2.8%	0.1%

The remuneration policy and implementation report that follow will be presented for separate non-binding advisory votes from shareholders at the AGM to be held on 31 January 2020. These resolutions are set out in the 2020 AGM Notice.

Board approval

The Remuneration Committee reviewed and recommended the remuneration report to the Board for approval, which was obtained on 5 December 2019.

PART 2

Remuneration policy overview

SUBJECT TO NON-BINDING ADVISORY VOTE AT THE AGM ON 31 JANUARY 2020

Our remuneration policy sets out the principles used to ensure competitive remuneration while complying with all applicable laws and codes. It applies to the payments, accruals and awards made to executive directors (CEO and CFO), non-executive directors, prescribed officers and senior executives (Executive Committee members and other executives) for the year ended 30 September 2019. Updates are made to ensure that Netcare's remuneration structure reflects best practice and aligns to our operating model and strategic priorities. The policy has been updated to include malus and clawback clauses.

Remuneration philosophy

Our remuneration philosophy is to ensure that our employees are fairly, reasonably and responsibly rewarded for their contribution to the Group's strategic, operating and financial performance. It guides our remuneration policy and supports our ability to attract and retain talent at every level of the organisation.

Principle	Value creation
Secure crucial skills.	Provide world-class health and care.
Reward the achievement of strategic and operational priorities and exceptional performance using STIs.	Delivery of the Netcare strategy and a motivated workforce.
Provide key talented executives and managers with LTIs as a reward and retention mechanism.	Continued alignment between management and stakeholder objectives for the long-term sustainability of the business.

Remuneration policy

Remuneration policy objectives

Attract	Recruit and retain high-quality employees to achieve Netcare's strategic priorities.
Reward	Ensure that all employees are recognised and rewarded for their performance in a fair, equitable and consistent manner.
Competitive remuneration	Ensure that remuneration and benefits provided are competitive within the healthcare industry.
Financial wellbeing	Recognise the basic needs of employees and ensure that compensation levels consistently address the cost of living and inflation.
Set goals	Reward employees for achieving predetermined business and personal performance targets, and ensure that remuneration is aligned to documented performance targets.
Sustainability	Ensure that employee costs are within budget as determined by the Executive Committee and are thereby sustainable.

The effectiveness of the remuneration policy in achieving these objectives is reviewed annually. The results are used as a base from which to develop the Remuneration Committee's annual work plan.

We drive a high-performance culture in an active and responsible manner to deliver performance that aligns with Netcare's strategy and values, stakeholder expectations and market factors such as the complex environment in which Netcare operates, the regulatory environment and the scarcity of skills. Strategy implementation mitigates these market factors to some extent.

Remuneration decisions are linked to individual performance and a balanced scorecard, as well as values and behaviours that promote value creation. As such, strategic and financial performance and the achievement of non-financial objectives are used to determine executive compensation. Incentive programmes reward individual, team and Group performance when the effort and output align to the Group's strategic priorities.

Employment contracts do not provide for contractually agreed termination payments. Only the CEO has a restraint of trade of six months and Executive Committee members have a three-month notice period.



Remuneration policy: <https://www.netcare.co.za/Netcare-Investor-Relations/Governance/Remuneration-Policy>

Benchmarking

All elements of remuneration, including salary increases, incentive payments and benefits, are periodically reviewed against industry and market benchmarks and trends to ensure our remuneration levels are appropriate and competitive, and take into account factors affecting the Group's financial position, the industry and SA.

The guaranteed remuneration packages of executive directors, prescribed officers and senior executives are benchmarked against relevant comparators.

Using the services of external consultants to benchmark executive and non-executive remuneration on a regular basis ensures our compliance with King IV's requirements. Over the past two years, PwC has conducted benchmarking exercises on executive director remuneration and non-executive director fees. The results confirm broad alignment with market peers, with some adjustments required to non-executive director fees as set out on page 170.

The total cost for the benchmarking exercises over 2018 and 2019 amounted to approximately R100 000 excluding VAT.

Executive remuneration structure

We seek to achieve a suitable balance between fixed (guaranteed package) and variable (short- and long-term incentives) remuneration. STIs are limited to a maximum of 75% of guaranteed package for the CEO and 60% for prescribed officers and senior executives.

The remuneration packages for executive directors, prescribed officers and senior executives for the year ending 30 September 2019 comprised a guaranteed package, and short- and long-term incentives.

Guaranteed package

(fixed remuneration)

Objective

To reflect individual contribution and market value relative to role and to recognise skill and experience.

Basis for determination

Guaranteed pay includes salary and employee benefits. It is determined based on the complexity of the role, market value, and the ongoing review of the employee's personal performance and contribution to Netcare's overall performance and values. Guaranteed remuneration is reviewed annually and increases take effect in March. Annual increases consider factors such as prevailing economic conditions, inflation, Group performance and affordability, change in responsibilities, internal and external benchmarks, and average salary increases.

Delivery

Monthly payment after deducting contributions to retirement funding and medical scheme. The Group also makes group life assurance cover, funeral cover and disability insurance contributions.

Short-term incentives

(variable)

Objective

To reward individual contribution and Group performance in the short term.

Eligibility

Executive directors, prescribed officers, senior executives and managers.

Basis of determination for 2019

Potential STIs are calculated by applying an individual's potential eligibility percentage to their guaranteed package. The potential eligibility percentage depends on the individual's job grade and threshold. The result is then modified by the balanced scorecard outcome. This means that no executive director, senior executive or prescribed officer is capable of earning 100% or more of their annual guaranteed package.

STI formula

$$\text{Bonus paid if targets met} = \text{Annual guaranteed package} \times \text{Potential eligibility (\%)} \times \text{Weighted average of balanced scorecard}$$

The threshold for the CEO is a maximum of 75% and for the CFO a maximum of 60%.

2018 allocation (paid in 2019)

At the time of the allocation in respect of the 2018 financial year, due to difficult operating conditions expected and the potential need for a restructuring exercise (and possible significant headcount reduction), the CEO, CFO, Managing Directors of Hospital and Primary Care division, and the Human Resources Director elected to forego the discretionary STIs awarded to them.

Balanced scorecard

The balanced scorecard incorporates Group-based, divisional, and individual key performance metrics. A weighting linked to Group-based targets ensures alignment among team members with the Group's strategic priorities and key focus areas.

The Executive Committee scorecard carries a weighting of 40% based on Group-based targets, with the remaining 60% weighting focusing on divisional and individual responsibilities.

A broad range of specific strategic and operational targets of a financial and non-financial nature are included in the individual, divisional and Executive Committee balanced scorecards. These targets are aligned to the Group's strategic priorities and drive the achievement of sustainable growth and long-term value creation. Weighting and targets vary between executives depending on their function.

The Remuneration Committee has approved the following Group-wide performance conditions and targets relating to:

- Financial targets: EBITDA margin, cash conversion and economic profit.
- Disruptive innovation.
- Transformation of society.
- Consistency of care.
- Organic growth.
- Integration of services.

Individuals must score a minimum of 60% on their individual scorecard to be eligible for participation in the STI plan.

More detail on the balanced scorecard and how it has been implemented can be found on page 166 of the implementation report.

Remuneration Committee discretion

In instances where extraneous factors outside the control of executives are considered to have impacted on overall performance resulting in targets not being met, ex gratia STIs may be awarded at the Remuneration Committee's discretion.

Looking forward to 2020

STIs will be calculated using the same formula and strategic parameters as 2019 with no changes foreseen. The focus will remain on meeting the Board-approved budget aligned to EBITDA and other key financial and non-financial targets.

Long-term incentives

(variable)

Objective

To attract and retain executive directors, prescribed officers and senior executives, and reward sustainable value creation that aligns with stakeholder interests over the long term. The design of LTIs is considered and does not expose shareholders to any financial risk or encourage any form of short termism.

Basis of determination

The FSP provides benefits in line with recommended governance practice and provides both performance- and retention-based share awards. Performance shares are awarded against strictly monitored targets which, if not met, result in the forfeiture of the shares. The retention-based award serves to incentivise executive directors, prescribed officers and senior executives to remain in the Group's employ.

The number of forfeitable shares subject to an FSP award and the ratio between performance and retention shares is primarily based on the employee's annual guaranteed package, grade, performance, retention requirements and market benchmarks. The split in shares favours performance-based targets over retention-based awards, with weightings being 75% for performance and 25% for retention for executive directors, prescribed officers and senior executives, and equal weightings for other senior managers.

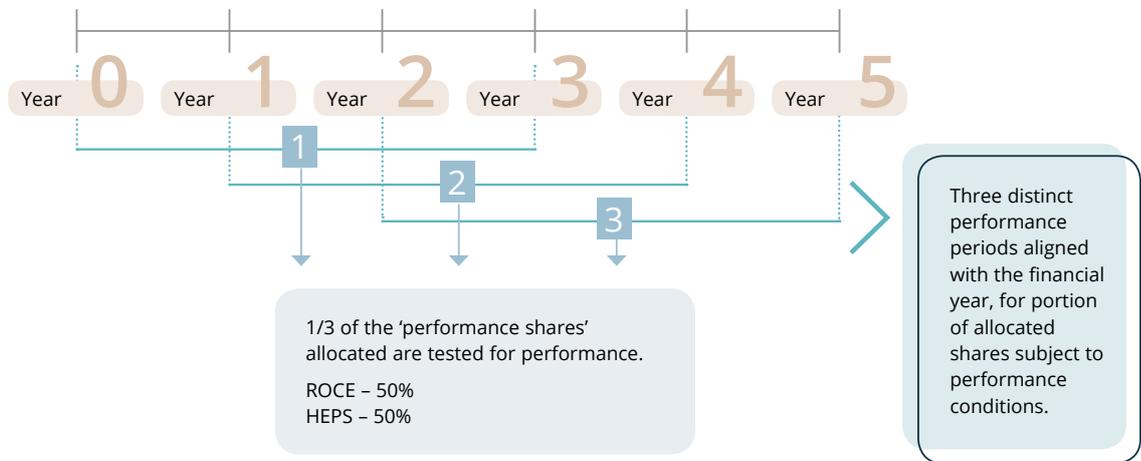
The performance-based targets are stretched goals linked to financial targets and the Netcare share price, considering a minimum return over and above inflation.

Performance parameter	Target
Return on capital employed (ROCE) 50% weighting	Weighted average cost of capital (WACC) +6%.
Headline earnings per share (HEPS) 50% weighting	Compound annual growth rate of the average CPI index +4% for the performance period.

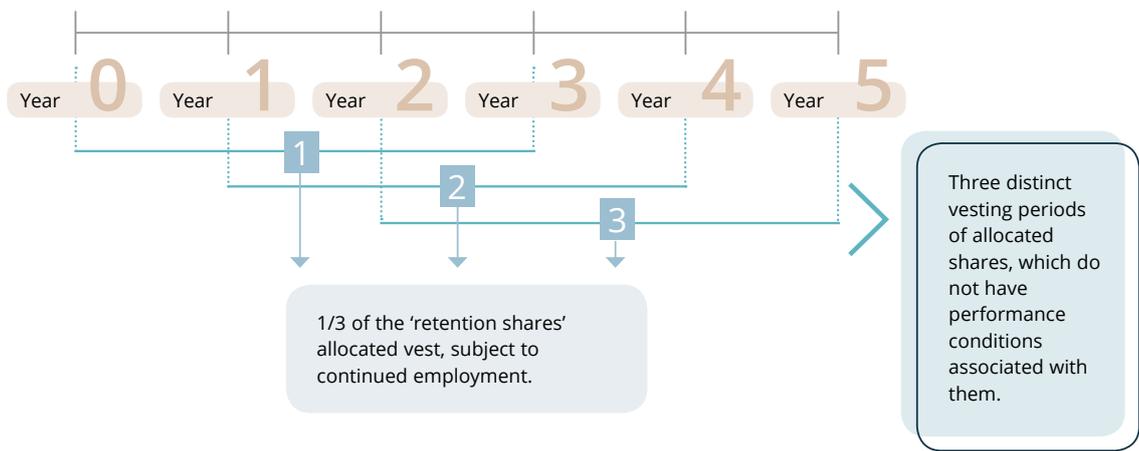
Delivery

Delivered in Netcare shares over the retention or performance period and provides dividends but not voting rights. The awards vest in thirds (a third each year) over a three-year period following a three-year waiting period.

Performance shares



Retention shares



The performance shares allocated to the performance targets are forfeited if the targets are not met within the performance period.

Termination of employment

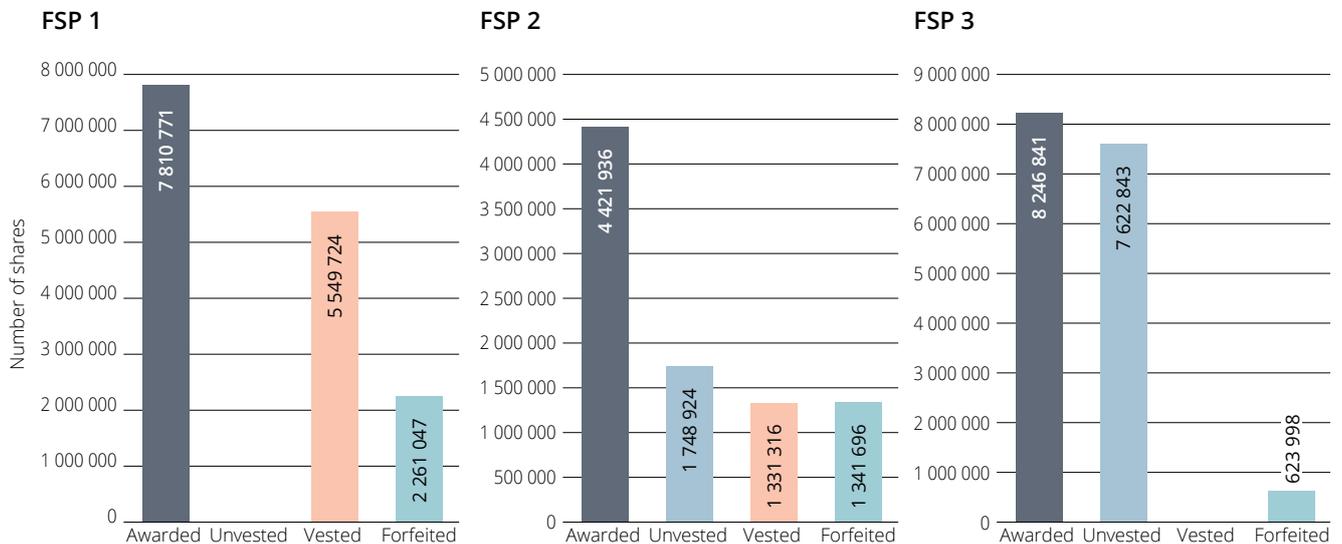
Unvested shares are forfeited on termination of employment.

Dilution

Out of the three awards made since inception of the FSP, approximately 19 million shares, of the approved limit of approximately 20 million shares, have been settled to participating employees. This represents an actual dilution to date of 1.30% in respect of the total issued share capital of 1.45 billion shares. The low dilution rate is attributable to the stretch targets set for the performance conditions and targets, which have resulted in historically low vesting and/or subsequent forfeiture of FSP awards.

The positions of the three tranches of the FSP

(at 30 September 2019)



Looking forward to 2020

The Remuneration Committee has approved a new LTI plan, FSP 4, subject to shareholder approval at the 2020 AGM.

The new plan has been designed to:

- Take into account shareholder feedback and as such will only issue performance shares to executive directors, prescribed officers and senior executives, however retention shares will be awarded to the balance of participants at less senior management levels.
- Ensure meaningful benefits accrue to employees based on medium-term and sustained delivery of results, with a degree of hedging against market volatility.

The performance conditions¹ applicable to the awards are as follows:

- ROIC of greater than 20%; and
- EBITDA margin of 20.5%.

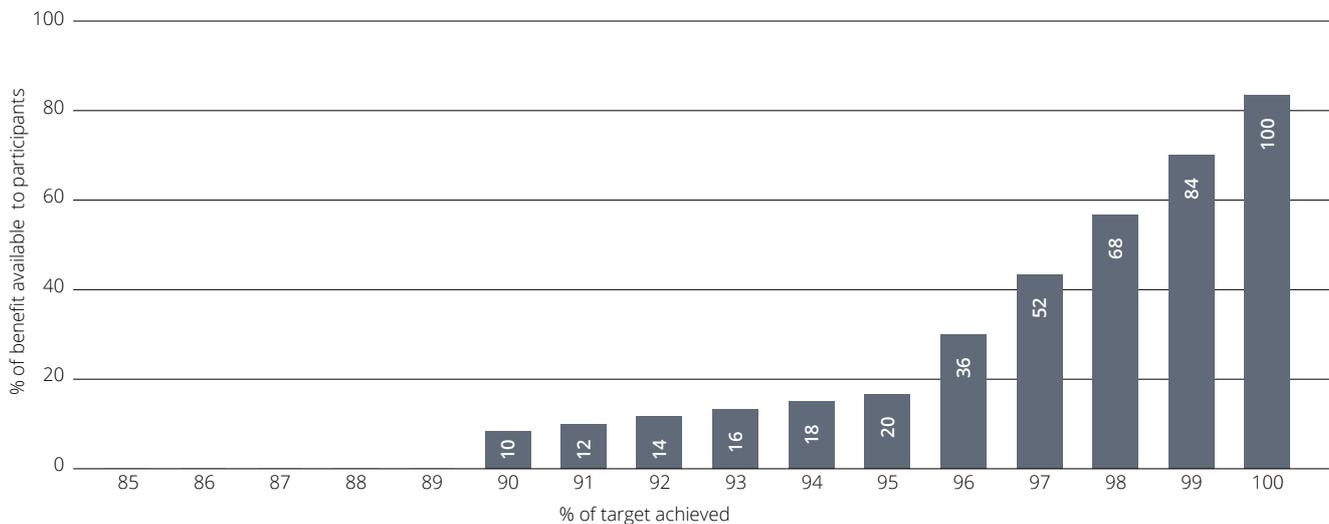
Graduated vesting will apply after a three-year waiting period in thirds over a further two-year period as illustrated in the graph on page 165.

The following criteria apply to the LTI:

- The shares will be awarded subject to a malus and clawback policy.
- Executive directors and prescribed officers who are awarded shares will be required to maintain a minimum level of shares that vest and use these towards accumulating a level of shareholding in Netcare linked to a ratio of annual guaranteed package (AGP). The ratios that apply will be as follows: CEO: 2.5 x AGP; CFO: 2.0 x AGP; prescribed officers and other senior executives: 1.5 x AGP. This will be achieved over an eight to 10-year period through either the retention of at least 10% of shares that vest and are not forfeited or alternatively through existing shareholding.
- The maximum aggregate number of shares which may at any time be allocated to all FSP participants shall not exceed 50 million shares, either alone or when aggregated with existing share plans. This equates to 3.4% of Netcare's issued share capital inclusive of treasury shares (at 30 September 2019).
- The intention is to spread the allocation of shares over a minimum of 10 years, equating to approximately 15 million shares per issue.
- The maximum number of shares which may at any time be allocated to any one participant shall not exceed five million shares.
- The participant will not be required to pay for the FSP award.

1. Subject to adjustment to account for IFRS 16.

Graduated vesting for FSP 4



Malus and clawback

In line with shareholder feedback, the Remuneration Committee reviewed trends relating to practices that recoup benefits paid to executives, and investigated how best to incorporate malus and clawback clauses in Netcare’s remuneration policy. These provisions are set out below.

Malus (pre-vesting)

All future LTI awards to executive directors, prescribed officers and senior executives will be subject to malus provisions from 1 January 2020. The vesting levels of these awards may be reduced, including to nil, in the following, (but not limited to) instances:

- Deliberately misleading the Group, the market and/or shareholders in relation to the Group’s financial performance.
- Misconduct, incompetence or gross negligence with regards to the financial reporting or performance of the Group.

Clawback (post-vesting)

Clawback clauses will apply to any variable remuneration awarded from 1 January 2020 onwards. In the case of the LTI, the Remuneration Committee may apply clawback at any time during the three-year period from the date on which variable remuneration vests, if there is reasonable evidence of material misconduct in line with the malus provisions above.

Going forward

The Remuneration Committee will develop processes to assess executives against the malus and clawback criteria and to exercise discretionary malus or clawback which will be reviewed on an annual basis and in line with market practice.

Employee remuneration

Employees at non-management levels are remunerated based on their structured package plus benefits, which include employer contributions to retirement fund and medical aid membership. Permanent employees receive a 13th cheque for each completed 12-month period worked at 31 December of each year. This is paid out to employees in service on 31 December of each year, with exceptions for retirement, retrenchment, death and disability.

In considering King IV’s Principal 14 and in recognition of the income gap, higher percentage increases are applied to the annual salary adjustments of employees at the lower end of the pay scale than those awarded to executive directors, prescribed officers and senior executives.