

NZMII vs. MPS vs. Medicus

The three main medical indemnity providers in Aotearoa NZ are: New Zealand Medical Indemnity Insurance Ltd (NZMII); the Medical Protection Society (MPS) and Medicus Indemnity NZ Inc (Medicus).

Although they may seem similar, the table below explains the significant differences between them.

NZMII

Offers an insurance policy

Cover is subject to what is specified in the insurance policy.

Domiciled in NZ

NZMII is a 100% owned and operated NZ company.

Regulated by RBNZ

Overseen by the Reserve Bank of New Zealand to ensure compliance with Insurance Prudential Supervision Act 2010.

Subject to taxation in NZ on premium income

In 2024, NZMII net profit before tax was \$1.2 million. NZ tax paid was \$357k.

✓ Retrospective Cover

If a new claim arises from an incident before the policy started, you're still covered.

Run-Off/Tail Cover

Free run-off/tail cover available to all policyholders for up to 6-years.

MPS

Offers membership, not an insurance policy

Membership provides indemnity at the Society's discretion.

Not domiciled in NZ

MPS is a body corporate incorporated and domiciled in the UK. It is registered under the Companies Act 1993 to conduct business in NZ.

Not regulated by RBNZ

Does not offer an insurance policy so is not required to be overseen by the Reserve Bank of New Zealand.

Not subject to taxation in NZ on membership income

In 2023, MPS surplus before tax was \$22.3 million. NZ tax paid was \$27k.

No Retrospective Cover

If a new claim arises from an incident before the policy started, you're not necessarily covered.

Run-Off/Tail Cover

Will cover at their discretion.

Medicus

✓ Offers an insurance policy

Cover is subject to what is specified in the insurance policy.

Domiciled in NZ

Medicus is a NZ not-for-profit incorporated society.

Not regulated by RBNZ

Uses the services of an insurance broker so is not required to be overseen by the Reserve Bank of New Zealand.

Not subject to taxation in NZ on membership income

In 2024, Medicus surplus before tax was \$3k. NZ tax paid was \$0k.

✓ Retrospective Cover

If a new claim arises from an incident before the policy started, you're still covered.

Run-Off/Tail Cover

May come free or at a cost at the time of renewal.

PGY1s/RMOs working for Health NZ/Te Whatu Ora, can choose to join an indemnity group scheme which Health NZ/Te Whatu Ora pays for.

Contact Us

For more information, go to nzmii.co.nz or email general@nzmii.co.nz

SMOs/GPs or GPEPs/Private Practice RMOs review your indemnity on a yearly basis to ensure you are getting the cover you need.

FINANCIAL STRENGTH RATING: New Zealand Medical Indemnity Insurance has been issued a Financial Strength Rating of B+ (Good) and an Issuer's Credit Rating of bbb- (Good), with the outlook on both ratings assigned to 'Stable'. These ratings were issued by A.M. Best on 22 May 2025.