

CHECKLIST

NZMPI vs. MPS vs. Medicus



There are three main medical indemnity providers in New Zealand (NZ)—New Zealand Medical Professionals Insurance (NZMPI), the Medical Protection Society (MPS), and Medicus Indemnity New Zealand Incorporated (Medicus). They may seem similar, but there are significant differences between them.

If you are a trainee intern transitioning into an RMO, you'll be presented with a form which asks you to 'tick a box' to choose an indemnity provider. **If you are a practising doctor**, you should still be reviewing your indemnity on a yearly basis to ensure you've still made the correct choice and are getting the cover you need.

Here is a checklist to help you make that choice simple:

New Zealand Medical Professionals Insurance (NZMPI)	Medical Protection Society (MPS)	Medicus Indemnity New Zealand Incorporated
Offers an insurance product ✓ Cover is subject to what is specified in the insurance policy.	Offers membership; not an insurance product ✗ Membership provides indemnity at the Society's discretion.	Offers an insurance product ✓ Cover is subject to what is specified in the insurance policy.
Domiciled in NZ ✓ NZMPI is a NZ company.	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.	Domiciled in NZ ✓ Medicus is a NZ not-for-profit incorporated society.
Regulated by RBNZ ✓ Overseen by Reserve Bank of New Zealand to ensure compliance with Insurance Prudential Supervision Act 2010.	Not regulated by RBNZ ✗ Does not offer an insurance product so is not required to be overseen by Reserve Bank of New Zealand.	Not regulated by RBNZ ✗ Uses the services of an insurance broker so is not required to be overseen by Reserve Bank of New Zealand.
Subject to taxation in NZ on premium income ✓ In 2019 NZMPI net profit before tax was \$504k. NZ tax paid was \$130k.	Not subject to taxation in NZ on membership income ✗ In 2018 MPS surplus before tax was \$1,154k. NZ tax paid was \$4k.	Not subject to taxation in NZ on membership income ✗ In 2017 Medicus surplus before tax was \$18k. NZ tax paid was \$2k.

We hope this checklist helps you to make an informed choice.



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