

PARAMED CLASS ACTION: NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT APPROVAL

Please read this Notice carefully. Your legal rights may be affected regardless of whether or not you act.

Who is this Notice for?

This Notice is for all persons who received wound care involving the use of medical instruments at ParaMed's clinics located at 124 Barker Street, 1340 Huron Street, and 148 Fullarton Street, Suite 200 in London, Ontario between January 1, 2008 and July 27, 2018 and who were contacted by ParaMed and advised that they may have been exposed to infection and should be tested for hepatitis B, hepatitis C, and HIV, and who tested positive for hepatitis B, hepatitis C, or HIV, or where such person is deceased, the personal representative of the estate of the deceased person ("Settlement Class Members"). You may be eligible for benefits under the Settlement.

What is the purpose of this Notice?

This Notice is to inform you that the Ontario Superior Court of Justice has approved the Settlement reached in a certified class action lawsuit against ParaMed Inc. ("ParaMed"): *Kellesis v ParaMed Inc.*, Ontario Superior Court of Justice Court File No. 1862/18. The lawsuit alleges that ParaMed failed to follow public health standards in the sterilization of medical instruments used at ParaMed's wound-care clinics, exposing the Plaintiff and Class Members to the risk of contracting serious communicable diseases, including hepatitis B, hepatitis C, and HIV. ParaMed has not been found liable for any of the claims advanced in this lawsuit. The Parties have instead reached a voluntary Settlement. The Settlement was approved on September 29, 2023.

What is available under the Settlement?

Depending on the infection(s) suffered, eligible Settlement Class Members may make one or more of three categories of Claims: a Hepatitis B Claim (\$15,000), a Hepatitis C Claim (\$10,000), or an HIV Claim (\$25,000). The quantum of the payments to Claimants with Approved Claims will be reduced *pro rata* if the Settlement Fund is insufficient to pay all of the Approved Claims. Contact McKenzie Lake Lawyers LLP ("Class Counsel" and "Claims Administrator") for more information about eligibility and supporting evidence for making a Claim.

How do I make a Claim?

The period for submitting a Claim begins on October 30, 2023 and runs until January 30, 2024. During that period, you may make a Claim by doing the following:

- (1) fill out the Claim Form;
- (2) include the supporting evidence and documentation specified on the Claim Form; and
- (3) submit the Claim Form and supporting evidence and documentation to the Claims Administrator by mail (at the address listed on the Claim Form) or by email (at the email address listed on the Claim Form) on or before **January 30, 2024**.

Please keep a copy of your completed Claim Form and all of the supporting evidence and documentation you submit for your own records.

If you fail to submit a Claim Form and supporting evidence and documentation on or before January 30, 2024, you will not be eligible for any compensation whatsoever (i.e., you will not get paid). Sending in a Claim Form late will be the same as doing nothing.

Where can I get additional information?

The court offices will be unable to answer any questions about the matters in this Notice. If you have any questions regarding the Settlement or about the class action lawsuit in general, information is available on Class Counsel's website (<https://www.mckenzielake.com/paramed-class-action/>) or by contacting Class Counsel directly:

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