



# How to overcome challenges

- ❖ We have one major Medical Aid covering most of claims
- ❖ This medical aid covers about 11 miljoen of funds for Rare Diseases in South Africa, 0,5% of all members
- ❖ Allowance of only R15000 per patient for IVIG treatment (910 Euro)
- ❖ Only with severe side effects will they fund Sub-Cut
- ❖ Sub Cut only funded ex gracia

# Product Availability

- ❖ **Only ONE IVIG product available**
  - Some patients with severe side effects
- ❖ **Only ONE Sub-cut product available**
  - Only very small kids can afford price – adults with more body weight (who need more doses per Kg) co-payment unaffordable

# Action to be Taken

- ❖ Continuous follow up meetings with Medical Aid
- ❖ Follow-up meetings with suppliers - **next step**
- ❖ Continuous pressure on South African Health Products Regulatory Authority (Medical Control Council
- ❖ Products imported on Section 21 for Sub-Cut
- ❖ Meeting with Council for Medical Schemes – pressure on Medical Aid to pay for PMB

# SOLUTION

At the moment no SOLUTION:

- ❖ It is either ivig or no treatment at ALL
- ❖ We have patient ending up in Hospital - no product
- ❖ Will keep on fighting the system with our **patients**

❖ **THANK YOU**

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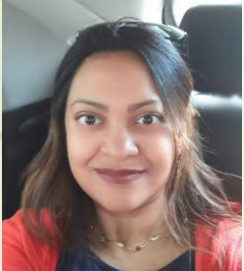
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