

## **Education Trust of South African Society of Physiotherapy**

The Education Trust of the South African Society of Physiotherapy is registered as a PBO (A Public Benefit Organization as defined in Section 30 of the Income Tax Act No.58 of 1962) under Section 18A allowing donations and bequests to be exempt from income tax and estate duties.

Primarily The Education Trust gives financial support to 3rd and 4th (and occasionally 2nd) year physiotherapy students, in the form of bursaries paid directly into their university fee accounts. This takes some of the financial stress and pressure away from physiotherapy students (and their parents) allowing them to focus on their studies.

There are two different ways of giving to the Education Trust being either a bequest or a donation

### **Bequest**

Bequests to individuals and trusts are subject to estate duty of 20% where the total value of a deceased estate exceeds R3.5 million.

Charitable bequests are a great way of keeping your ideals alive for years and offer the opportunity to make a really worthwhile gift to a cause important to you and in that respect touch the lives of those in need. Bequests to PBO's such as the Education Trust effectively reduce the dutiable value of the estate so avoiding the estate duty that might otherwise apply.

### **Donation**

Individuals may donate their assets during their lifetime. Whereas large donations to related parties are seen by SARS as advance bequests and subject to donations tax at 20%, donations made to Public Benefit Organisations have the opposite effect, and qualify as deductions from an individual's taxable income.

Section 18A certificates will be issued to donors to the Educational Trust which will effectively reduce their taxable income so saving them the tax at their marginal rate that would otherwise be charged.

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