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TO : ALL ACCREDITED HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, CLAIMS PROCESSING DEPARTMENTS – NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION AND PHILHEALTH REGIONAL OFFICES (PROs), AND ALL CONCERNED

SUBJECT : Reimbursement of claims for drugs listed in the PNDF Vol. 1 6th edition – Sections 1.0 and 4.0

The National Formulary Committee of the Department of Health has released the official list of drugs under Section 1.0 Drugs acting on the nervous system and Section 4.0 Immunologicals, of the latest edition of the Philippine National Drug Formulary (PNDF) which is the 6<sup>th</sup> edition Vol. 1.

Pursuant to Section 37 of Republic Act 7875 and PhilHealth Board Resolution No. 265 s. 1999 which provides for the use of the latest edition of the PNDF for reimbursement, the said list of drugs shall be implemented as follows:

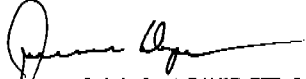
1. Newly listed drugs and drug preparations contained in Sections 1.0 and 4.0 of the PNDF, Vol. 1 6<sup>th</sup> edition (see Annex 1), shall be compensable for claims with admission dates starting January 1, 2004.
2. To give a reasonable time for adjustment on the non-reimbursability of delisted drugs and drug preparations in the 6<sup>th</sup> edition of the PNDF (see Annex 2), they shall continue to be compensated for claims with admission dates until March 31, 2004.

However, PhilHealth shall no longer reimburse these delisted drugs and drug preparations (see Annex 2) for claims with admission dates starting April 1, 2004.

3. Please note that ketorolac trometamol 30mg/mL, 1 mL ampule (IM, IV) which is included in the PhilHealth Positive List until December 31, 2003 as per PhilHealth Circular Nos. 208, s-2002 and 33, s-2003, has already been included in the 6<sup>th</sup> edition of the PNDF under Section 1. Drugs Acting on the Nervous System.

**Hence, PhilHealth shall continue reimbursing ketorolac trometamol 30mg/mL, 1 mL ampule (IM, IV) for claims with admission dates starting January 1, 2004.**

All other issuances inconsistent with this circular are hereby repealed and modified accordingly.

  
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**ANNEX 1**  
**NEW DRUGS AND DRUG PREPARATIONS INCLUDED IN THE PNDP VOL. 1 6TH EDITION**

**A. NEWLY LISTED DRUGS (compensable by January 1, 2004)**

GENERIC NAME	ROUTE	PREPARATION
<b>A.1 Section 1.0 DRUGS ACTING ON THE NERVOUS SYSTEM</b>		
Chloral hydrate	Oral:	500 mg/5 mL syrup
Ketorolac	Inj.:	30 mg/mL, 1 mL ampul (IM, IV) (as trometamol)
Methylphenidate	Oral:	10 mg tablet 18 mg and 36 mg ER tablet
Olanzapine	Oral:	5 mg and 10 mg tablet
Oxycodone	Oral:	10 mg, 20 mg, 40 mg and 80 mg tablet (as hydrochloride)
Piribedil	Oral:	50 mg retard tablet
Ropivacaine	Inj.:	2 mg/mL, 7.5 mg/mL and 10 mg/mL in 10 mL ampul (IV) (as hydrochloride)
Selegiline	Oral:	1.25 mg tablet (as hydrochloride) 5 mg tablet (as hydrochloride)
Topiramate	Oral:	25 mg, 50 mg, 100 and 200 mg tablet 15 mg and 25 mg capsule
Zolmitriptan	Oral:	2.5 mg and 5 mg tablet
<b>A.2 Section 4.0 IMMUNOLOGICALS</b>		
Chick Embryo Cell (purified, inactivated)	Inj.:	lyophilized powder, 2.5 IU/ml, 1 dose vial + 1 mL diluent (ID, IM)
Diphtheria - Tetanus Toxoids and Acellular Pertussis Vaccines	Inj.:	0.5 mL pre-filled syringe (IM)
Hemophilus Influenzae type b (Hib) + Diphtheria- Tetanus Toxoids and Acellular Pertussis Vaccine	Inj.:	0.5 mL pre-filled syringe (IM)
Typhoid Vaccine	Oral:	live-attenuated <i>S. typhi</i> (not less than 10 <sup>9</sup> ) viable strain, enteric coated tablet (encapsulated)
	Inj.:	Vi-capsular polysaccharide <i>S. typhi</i> 25 mcg in 0.5 mL pre-filled syringe (IM)
Yellow Fever Vaccine	Inj.:	1,000 DL 50 mouse min (attenuated) vial + 0.5 mL solvent syringe (IM,SC) (Bureau of Quarantine Use Only)
		-Nothing follows-

## B. NEWLY LISTED DRUG PREPARATIONS (compensable by January 1, 2004)

Note: The following drugs, in their generic/international non-proprietary names (INN), are already included in the 5th edition of the PNDF. Below are the newly listed preparations of these drugs as contained in the 6th (latest) edition of the PNDF.

GENERIC NAME	ROUTE	PREPARATION
<b>B.1 Section 1.0 DRUGS ACTING ON THE NERVOUS SYSTEM</b>		
Betahistine	Oral:	8 mg tablet (as hydrochloride)
Bupivacaine	Inj.:	0.5% 4 mL ampul (spinal) with 8 % dextrose (as hydrochloride)
Cinnarizine	Oral:	50 mg and 75 mg tablet
Codeine	Oral:	30 mg SR capsule (as phosphate) 10 mg/5 mL, 60 mL suspension
Dexamethasone	Inj.:	4 mg/mL, 1 mL ampul/vial (IM, IV) (as sodium phosphates)
Diazepam	Rectal:	5 mg/2.5 mL and 10 mg/2.5 mL in rectal tube
Diclofenac	Inj.:	37.5 mg/ml, 2 ml ampul and pre-filled syringe (IM, IV) (as sodium)
Diphenhydramine	Oral:	12.5 mg/5 mL, 60 mL and 120 mL syrup <i>(In the 5th edition of the PNDF, this preparation of diphenhydramine is also listed under Sec. 8 Anti-Allergics)</i>
Fentanyl	Patch :	25 mcg/hr and 50 mcg/hr (transdermal)
Fluphenazine	Inj.:	25 mg/mL, 1 mL ampul (as decanoate)
Flurazepam	Oral:	15 mg capsule (as monohydrochloride)
Ibuprofen	Oral:	600 mg tablet 800 mg SR tablet
Midazolam	Inj.:	1 mg/mL, 5 mL ampul (IM, IV)
Morphine	Inj.:	15 mg/mL, 1 mL ampul (IM, IV, SC) (as sulfate)
Naibuphine	Inj.:	20 mg/mL, 10 mL vial (IM, IV, SC) (as hydrochloride)
Propofol	Inj.:	10 mg/ml, 50 ml pre-filled syringe (IV) 10 mg/ml, 20 ml and 50 ml vial (IV) 20 mg/ml, 50 ml vial (IV) (as oil in water emulsion)
Risperidone	Oral:	1 mg/mL oral solution, 100 mL 25 mg and 37.5 mg LA powder for suspension, vial + 2 mL diluent in pre-filled syringe (IM)
Tramadol	Oral:	150 mg and 200 mg retard tablet (as hydrochloride)
Valproic Acid (B)	Oral:	250 mg tablet as valproic acid -Nothing follows-

## B. NEWLY LISTED DRUG PREPARATIONS (compensable by January 1, 2004)

Note: The following drugs, in their generic/international non-proprietary names (INN), are already included in the 5th edition of the PNDF. Below are the newly listed preparations of these drugs as contained in the 6th (latest) edition of the PNDF.

GENERIC NAME	ROUTE	PREPARATION
<b>B.2 Section 4.0 IMMUNOLOGICALS</b>		
+anti-rabies serum (equine)	Inj.:	400 IU/mL, 5 mL vial (IM)
+anti- tetanus serum (equine)	Inj.:	4000 IU/mL, 2.5 mL vial (IM)
Anti-D Immunoglobulin (human anti-D immunoglobulin)	Inj.:	200 mcg/mL, 1.5 mL ampul (IM)
BCG Vaccine	Inj.:	freeze-dried powder, 100 mcg/0.1mL 1 mL, 1.5 mL and 2 mL vial (ID) 500 mcg/mL vial + 1 mL diluent in ampul (ID) 20 doses
Hepatitis A Inactivated Vaccine	Inj.:	viral antigen not less than 720 EU in 0.5 mL monodose vial (IM) (junior) viral antigen not less than 1440 EU in 1.0 mL monodose vial (IM) (adult) 80 units/0.5 mL (GBM strain) pre-filled syringe single dose (IM) (pediatric) 160 units/0.5 mL (GBM strain) pre-filled syringe single dose (IM) (adult)
Hepatitis B Immunoglobulin (human)	Inj.:	2 mL vial (IM)
Hepatitis B Vaccine (plasma derived)	Inj.:	3 mcg/mL, 5 mL vial (IM)
Hepatitis B Vaccine (recombinant DNA)	Inj.:	20 mcg/mL, 1 mL, 5 mL and 10 mL vial (IM)
Immunoglobulin normal, human (IGIV) (1)	Inj.:	50 mg/ml , 100 ml and 200 mL vial (IV) freeze-dried powder, 1 g/bottle + 50 mL reconstitution fluid (IV) freeze-dried powder, 10 g/bottle + 260 mL diluent vial (IV)
Influenza Polyvalent	Inj.:	0.5 mL suspension in a pre-filled syringe or ampul (IM) (adult)
Live Attenuated Trivalent Oral Polio Vaccine	Oral:	0.5 mL vial 1 mL vial (10) doses and 2 mL vial (20) doses or plastic tube with vaccine vial monitor (for DOH mass immunization program only)
Live Attenuated Varicella Vaccine	Inj.:	freeze-dried powder, not less than 2,000 PFU (OKA strain varicella zoster virus) monodose vial + diluent (0.5 mL water for injection) ampul (SC only)
Pneumococcal Vaccine Polyvalent	Inj.:	25 mcg/0.5 ml (polysaccharide from each capsular type) in 0.5 mL pre-filled syringe (IM,SC)
Rabies Immunoglobulin (human)	Inj.:	150 IU/mL, 2mL, 5 mL and 10 mL ampul (IM)
Tetanus Immunoglobulin (human)	Inj.:	1000 IU/mL, 1.5 mL vial (IM) 1500 IU/mL, 1 mL ampul (IM) 250 IU/mL, 1 mL, 2 mL and 4 mL ampul (IM) 250 IU/mL, 1 mL pre-filled syringe (IM)
Tuberculin, Purified Protein Derivative (PPD)	Inj.:	2 TU RT 23 tween 80 (ID)
Vero Cell (purified)	Inj.:	2.5 IU/ml monodose vial + diluent (0.5 mL of 4% sodium chloride in pre-filled syringe) (ID)
		-Nothing follows-

**ANNEX 2**  
**DRUGS AND DRUG PREPARATIONS DELISTED FROM THE PNDF**

**A. DELISTED DRUGS ( compensable until March 31, 2004)**

GENERIC NAME	ROUTE	PREPARATION
<b><u>A.1 Section 1.0 DRUGS ACTING ON THE NERVOUS SYSTEM</u></b>		
Amantadine	Oral:	100 mg tablet (as hydrochloride) 50 mg/5 ml syrup, 60 ml (as hydrochloride)
Chlorazepate	Oral:	5 mg and 10 mg capsule (as dipotassium)
Clobazam	Oral:	10 mg tablet
Dosulepin (dothiepin)	Oral:	25 mg capsule (as hydrochloride) 75 mg tablet (as hydrochloride)
Droperidol	Inj.:	2.5 mg/ml, 2 ml ampul ( IM, IV)
Flupentixol	Oral:	250 mcg, 500 mcg and 1 mg tablet (as dihydrochloride) 5 mg tablet (as dihydrochloride)
	Inj.:	20 mg/ml, 1 ml ampul and 10 ml vial (IM) as decanoate)
Methotrimeprazine (levomepromazine)	Oral:	25 mg and 100 mg tablet
	Inj.:	25 mg/ml, 1 ml ampul (IM) (as hydrochloride)
Pergolide	Oral:	50 mcg, 250 mcg and 1 mg tablet (as mesilate)
Promethazine	Oral:	10 mg and 25 mg tablet (as hydrochloride) 5 mg/5 ml syrup, 60 ml (as hydrochloride)
	Inj.:	25 mg/ml, 2 ml ampul ( IM, IV) (as hydrochloride) <i>(In the 5th edition of the PNDF, Promethazine is also listed under Sec. 13.3 Antiemetics.)</i>
Trazodone	Oral:	50 mg tablet (as hydrochloride)
Trifluoperazine	Oral:	2 mg and 5 mg tablet (as hydrochloride)
Trihexyphenidyl	Oral:	5 mg tablet (as hydrochloride)
Tenoxicam	Inj.:	lyophilized powder, 20 mg vial + 2 ml solvent (IM, IV)
<b><u>A.2 Section 4.0 IMMUNOLOGICALS</u></b>		
Duck Embryo Rabies Vaccine (highly purified, inactivated)	Inj.:	2.5 IU/dose, 1 dose vial + solvent (SC)
		-Nothing follows-

## B. DELISTED DRUG PREPARATIONS ( compensable until March 31, 2004)

Note: The following drugs, in their generic/international non-proprietary names (INN), are still included in the 6th (latest) edition of the PNDF. However, the list below contains preparations of these drugs that have been delisted from the PNDF.

GENERIC NAME	ROUTE	PREPARATION
<b>B.1 Section 1.0 DRUGS ACTING ON THE NERVOUS SYSTEM</b>		
Atropine	Inj.:	250 mcg/ml, 1 ml ampul (IM, IV) (as sulfate)
Betahistine	Oral:	8 mg tablet (as dihydrochloride)
Bupivacaine	Inj.:	0.5%, 4mL ampul (local infiltration) (as hydrochloride) 0.25%, 10 mL and 20 mL ampul (local infiltration) (as hydrochloride) 0.25%, 10 mL and 20 mL ampul (epidural) (as hydrochloride) 0.5% (heavy), 4 mL ampul (spinal) (as hydrochloride) 0.5%, 10 mL and 20 mL ampul/vial (epidural) (as hydrochloride)
Cinnarizine	Oral:	50 mg and 75 mg capsule
Codeine	Oral:	30 mg tablet (as phosphate) 11 mg/5 mL, 60 mL syrup
Diphenhydramine	Inj.:	50 mg/mL, 10 ml vial (IM, IV) (as hydrochloride)
Fluphenazine (1)	Inj.:	25 mg/mL, 10mL ampul (IM) (as decanoate)
Flurazepam (A1)	Oral:	15 mg capsule (as dihydrochloride)
Furosemide	Inj.:	10 mg/mL, 25 mL ampul (IV infusion)
Ibuprofen	Oral:	100 mg/5 mL, 30 mL syrup/suspension
Levodopa + Carbidopa	Oral:	200 mg levodopa + 50 mg carbidopa per CR tablet
Lidocaine	Inj.:	1%, 10 mL and 30 mL vial (local infiltration) (as hydrochloride) 2%, 20 ml and 30 mL vial (epidural, local Infiltration) (as hydrochloride) 2% viscous, 200 ml (as hydrochloride) 5% (heavy), 2 ml ampul (spinal) (as hydrochloride)
	Jelly:	2%, 10 g (as hydrochloride)
Lorazepam	Oral:	500 mcg tablet
Magnesium Sulfate for pre-eclampsia/ eclampsia and hypomagnesemia	Inj.:	250 mg/mL, 50 mL vial (IM, IV) (as heptahydrate)
Midazolam	Inj.:	5mg/mL, 5 ml ampul (IM, IV)
Morphine	Inj.:	15 mg/mL, 1 mL vial (IM, IV, SC) (as sulfate)
Nalbuphine	Inj.:	10 mg/mL, 10 mL vial (IM, IV, SC) (as hydrochloride)
Propranolol	Oral:	20 mg tablet (as hydrochloride)
Pyridostigmine	Inj.:	1 mg/ml, 1 ml ampul (IM, IV) as bromide
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GENERIC NAME	ROUTE	PREPARATION
<b>B.2 Section 4.0 IMMUNOLOGICALS</b>		
+anti- tetanus serum (equine)	Inj.:	2,000 IU/ml, 2.5 ml vial (IM) 3,000 IU/ml vial (IM) 10,000 IU and 20,000 IU vial (IM)
anti-D immunoglobulin (human anti-D immunoglobulin)	Inj.:	125 mg/ml, 2 ml single dose vial (IM)
BCG Vaccine	Inj.:	freeze-dried powder, 750 mcg/mL vial + 2 mL diluent ampul (ID)
Diphtheria- Tetanus Toxoid (DT)	Inj.:	5 ml and 10 ml vial (IM) (for children less than 7 yrs. old)
Diphtheria- Tetanus Toxoids (Td)	Inj.:	5 ml and 10 ml vial (IM) (for children 7 yrs. old and above)
Hepatitis A Vaccine	Inj.:	25 units/0.5 mL pre-filled syringe (IM) 50 units/mL pre-filled syringe (IM) 160 units/0.5 mL pre-filled syringe (IM)
Hepatitis B Immunoglobulin (human)	Inj.:	5 mL vial (IM)
Hepatitis B Vaccine (plasma derived)	Inj.:	1.5 mcg/0.5 ml, 0.5 ml monodose vial (IM) (pediatric) 3 mcg/ml, 1 ml monodose vial and 10 ml multidose vial (IM) 5 mcg/0.5 ml, 0.5 ml monodose vial (IM) 10 mcg/0.5 ml, 0.5 ml monodose vial (IM) 20 mcg/ml, 1 ml monodose vial (IM)
Hepatitis B Vaccine (recombinant DNA)	Inj.:	5 mcg/0.5 mL monodose vial (IM) (pediatric) 10 mcg/mL, 1 ml monodose vial and 3 ml multidose vial (IM) (adult)
Immunoglobulin Normal, Human (IGIM)	Inj.:	160 mg/mL, 1 mL vial (IM)
Live Attenuated Trivalent Oral Polio Vaccine	Oral:	5 and 10 mL plastic tube
Live Attenuated Varicella Vaccine	Inj.:	freeze-dried powder, 2,000 PFU (OKA strain varicella zoster virus) monodose vial + diluent (0.5 mL water for injection) ampul (SC only) freeze-dried powder, 1,000 PFU (OKA strain varicella zoster virus) monodose vial + diluent (0.7 mL water for injection) ampul (SC only) freeze-dried powder, 2,000 PFU (OKA strain varicella zoster virus) monodose vial + diluent (0.5 mL with 2 mg Na chloride) syringe (SC only)
Pneumococcal Vaccine Polyvalent	Inj.:	25 mcg/0.5 ml (polysaccharide from each capsular type) vial (IM, SC)
Rabies Immunoglobulin (human)	Inj.:	150 IU/mL, 10 mL vial (IM)
Tetanus Immunoglobulin (human)	Inj.:	250 units/mL, 4 mL vial (IM)
Tuberculin, Purified Protein Derivative (PPD)	Inj.:	powder, 2 TU with 2 mL diluent (ID)
Vero Cell (purified)	Inj.:	2.5 IU/ml monodose vial + diluent (0.5 mL of 4% sodium chloride in pre-filled syringe) (SC)
		-Nothing follows-