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**PHILIPPINE HEALTH INSURANCE CORPORATION**

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PhilHealth Circular

No. 21 s. 2008

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To

All Accredited Hospitals, Ambulatory Surgical Clinics and Free Standing Dialysis Clinics, PhilHealth Regional Offices, Service Offices and all others concerned

Subject

**Accreditation of Medical Director/Chief of Hospital or Hospital Administrator prior to Accreditation of an Institutional Health Care Provider (IHCP)**

Section 47.m of the Implementing Rules and Regulations on the National Health Insurance Act (R.A. 7875) as amended by R.A. 9241 on Payment of Claims, states that "Professional fees for services rendered by salaried health care providers may be retained by the health care institution in which the services are rendered for pooling and distribution among health personnel."

PHIC Circ. 14 s. 2008 provides that ... in behalf of salaried physicians in government or private hospitals, claims signed by the Medical Director/Hospital Administrator/Chief of Clinic shall be reimbursed when "Pay to Director/Administrator/Chief" as indicated in item nos. 19, 24 and 29 of PhilHealth Claim Form 2.

Further, the Medical Director has the full responsibility to plan, direct, implement and control the operations of the hospital and its services.

However, It has been noted by this Corporation that there are some medical directors of accredited hospitals who are not accredited by PhilHealth. Therefore, as a pre-condition for accreditation of hospitals, ASCs and FSDCs, the Medical Director/Chief of Hospital or Hospital Administrator who is a physician and who signs the PhilHealth claim forms in behalf of salaried physicians in government and private training hospitals/institutions, shall be accredited prior to the approval of the application for accreditation of the concerned institution.

All previous policies and guidelines and other administrative issuances with provisions inconsistent herewith are hereby amended accordingly.

This circular shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in the official gazette or any newspaper of general circulation.

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