



REPORT ON THE PHILHEALTH BOARD'S ORIENTATION, CONTINUING EDUCATION AND TRAINING

In order to ensure that the PhilHealth Board continuously and efficiently fulfill their duties and responsibilities in governing the Corporation, programs and activities have been guaranteed for the Directors' attendance. Below are the details of these endeavors:

- 1. Corporate Governance Orientation Program for GOCCs** facilitated by the Institute of Corporate Directors (ICD) attended by newly-appointed Directors in compliance with GCG MC No. 2019-01 and the UHC Law. The following Appointive Directors attended the program:
 - Dr. Maria Graciela Garayblas-Gonzaga – October 17, 2019
 - Alejandro L. Cabading – October 17, 2019
 - Dr. Susan P. Mercado – March 10, 2020
 - Dr. Jason Roland N. Valdez – September 8-9, 2020
 - PCEO Atty. Dante A. Gierran – March 3-4, 2021
 - Dr. Rene Elias Lopez – May 25-26, 2021
- 2. Conduct of Brown Bag Sessions** during Regular Board Meetings. The PhilHealth Board, by virtue of PhilHealth Board Resolution (PBR) No. 2357, s. 2018, agreed to use the brown bag concept in continuing education of Board Members as well as Management Officials whereby subject matter experts from various fields may be invited to Board Meetings to talk at a limited time on exciting issues and trends affecting the health industry in general and PhilHealth operations in particular. The use of brown bag sessions is an innovative manner of capacity building without incurring too much cost to the Corporation and taking full advantage of the presence of Board Members and PhilHealth Officials during Board Meetings. Below are the Brown Bag Sessions conducted for 2020:
 - **Trends and Priorities: The Future and the Now** by **Dr. Tessa Tan-Torres Edejer** conducted last January 15, 2020. This lecture focused on health financing, specifically on how the current trends and data contribute to the overall financial risk protection of Filipinos. It also touched some of the issues and opportunities that the newly-passed UHC Law may bring. This is also in compliance with the UHC Law mandate for PhilHealth Board members to undergo orientation in health financing, health systems, costing health services and health technology assessment.
- 3. Orientations and Trainings on Health Financing, Health Systems, Costing Health Services and Health Technology Assessment** – in compliance with the UHC Law, the Board Members underwent the following orientation programs regarding the technical side in social health insurance:
 - On January 15, 2020 - Trends and Priorities in Health Care Financing, Health Systems, Costing Health Services and Health Technology Assessment attended by BGEN. Ricardo C. Morales, AFP (Ret.), BGEN. Marlene R. Padua, AFP (Ret.), Alejandro L. Cabading, CPA, Dr. Maria Graciela G. Gonzaga, MPH, Dr. Susan Pineda-Mercado, MPH
 - October 28, 2020 – Philippine Health Agenda vis-à-vis the National Health Insurance Program and PhilHealth, Strategic Thrust and Direction, Organizational Structure, PhilHealth accreditation process, PhilHealth claims processing, Fund management.,

actuarial valuation, legal processes of the Prosecution Department, PARD and FFIED attended by Atty. Dante A. Gierran, CPA and Dr. Jason Roland Valdez.

- January 12, 2021 – General Provisions of the UHC Act, population coverage, service coverage, financial and penal provision, strategic marketing and communication plan., payment mechanism in social health insurance setting (healthcare financing in PhilHealth) attended by Atty. Dante A. Gierran, CPA and Dr. Jason Roland Valdez.

4. **Continuing Education and Training Program (CETP) of Board Members** by virtue of PBR No. 2312, s. 2017 which was approved in order to enhance Board Members' capacity in terms of training, competence, education, experience and integrity so that they can effectively perform their legally mandated functions. This is also to respond to the Fit and Proper Rule under GCG MC No. 2012-05. Under this Program, the Corporation ensures a yearly allocation in its Corporate Operating Budget (COB) to cover the cost of training of Board Members which would be demand-driven, subject to equity criteria and monitoring. Current efforts on the Board's CETP also includes webinars and online seminars and trainings in partnership with academic societies as well as global social health insurance advocates.



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