



# OFWs' Membership and Validity of Premium Contribution

# I. Membership Registration

Land-based OFWs register only once. The assigned PhilHealth Identification Number (PIN) is permanent and should be used when changing membership categories.

Initial registration requirements are:

- Two (2) copies of properly accomplished PhilHealth Member Registration Form (PMRF), together with supporting documents for declared legal dependents (e.g. birth certificate, marriage contract); and
- Any proof of being an active OFW
  - Copy of existing employment contract
  - Copy of work permit/visa
  - Employment certificate from existing employer
  - Valid Overseas Employment Certificate (OEC) or e-Receipts issued by the POEA
- Online membership registration will be available soon through the PhilHealth website

# **II. Premium Contribution**

Premium contribution is P900.00 annually. The OFWs may pay their premium in advance if the duration of the employment contract is more than one year to ensure continuity of coverage.

A family member or authorized representative of the OFW may pay their annual premiums provided they can present any proof that the member is still an active OFW.

Payments may be made in the following offices:

### **Philippines:**

- Operations Center at POEA Central Office in Mandaluyong City
- PhilHealth Regional Offices nationwide
- PhilHealth Service Offices nationwide
- One Stop Shop Centers in Regions 1, 3, 7, 11 and CAR

### Abroad:

• Any of our partner banks, remittance companies and their foreign tie-ups namely iRemit, DBP Remittance Center and Philippine Veterans Bank

A grace period of one month immediately following the date of expiry of coverage is given to OFWs to enable them to pay their premium for continuity of coverage. Active OFWs with lapsed / expired coverage can pay the premium of P900.00 for a new coverage period.

OFWs may avail themselves of the PhilHealth benefits on the date of payment of premium contributions. The official receipts or remittance transaction receipts representing PhilHealth contribution payments are important documents for future reference particularly in availing of the benefits.

Further inquiries pertaining to OFW membership may be directed to any of the PhilHealth Regional or Service Offices nationwide or to the Special Programs Department at (02) 689-1079, 634-2165 or (63)918-9635396 or (63) 917-5129149. For updates, visit <u>www.philhealth.gov.ph</u> or **OWP-PhilHealth** on Facebook.

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