



## Access to Anti-Retroviral Drugs and Other Services during the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ)

In the duration of the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) being implemented in most parts of the country, the HIV treatment hubs and primary HIV care facilities must ensure that people living with HIV (PLHIVs) enrolled in their facilities are able to access needed health services especially anti-retroviral drugs (ARVs). It is essential then that alternative modes of delivery of ARVs, such as through courier or parcel services, be considered at this time of the ECQ, and that such cost of services may be charged to the PhilHealth Out-patient HIV/AIDS Treatment (OHAT) Package reimbursement.

Please bear in mind that the objective of the PhilHealth OHAT Package is for PLHIVs to have access to effective HIV/AIDS management and treatment. Thus, PhilHealth Circular 011-2015 **-(Outpatient HIV/AIDS Treatment Package - Revision 1)** provides that **80%** of the Package for the facility shall be used for the delivery of required services including drugs, supplies and laboratory, and **other services necessary for the delivery of required services.**

  
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