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Reiteration of the Guidelines on the Granting of Immediate Eligibility to Members

Pursuant to Sec. 9 of Republic Act 11223 otherwise known as the Universal Health Care (UHC) and PhilHealth Circular No. 2019-0010, all Filipinos even without sufficient contributions, shall be granted "immediate eligibility" or automatic entitlement to all PhilHealth benefit packages under the National Health Insurance Program. These benefit packages are being provided in PhilHealth accredited or contracted Health Care Institutions (HCIs).

Failure to pay premiums shall not prevent the enjoyment of any Program benefits. However, employers and self-employed direct contributors shall be required to pay all missed contributions with an interest, compounded monthly, of at least three percent (3%) for employers and not exceeding one and one-half percent (1.5%) for self-earning, professional practitioners, and migrant workers.

We would like to remind all Filipinos, who have not yet enrolled with PhilHealth, to register with the nearest Local Health Insurance Office (LHIO) or PhilHealth Express. Those who are already registered are requested to regularly update their personal records and pay their premium contributions at any LHIO or accredited collecting agents.

Further inquiries may be referred to the PhilHealth Action Center at (02) 8441-7442 or through any of the PhilHealth Regional Offices and Local Health Insurance Offices.

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