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## Full Financial Risk Protection for Healthcare Workers

At the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, PhilHealth had taken the lead in protecting Filipinos against financial catastrophe through national health insurance. In particular, recognizing the crucial role of health workers in the pandemic response, PhilHealth Circular No. 2020-0011 was approved to ensure full financial risk protection for hospitalization due to COVID-19 during the state of public health emergency.

Pertinent to the said Circular, health workers hospitalized due to COVID-19 are eligible to avail of the COVID-19 benefits for inpatient case management, whether admitted in a public or private facility. As the pandemic remains a rapidly evolving situation, PhilHealth is currently reviewing its policies and benefit packages. Meanwhile, in the interim, the said Circular shall remain in full force and effect and PhilHealth shall continue to provide full financial risk protection among public and private health workers who have contracted COVID-19 until further notice.

For faster processing of claims, we request health care providers to provide a copy of the result of the SARS-CoV-2 test done on the patient together with other required documents when filing a claim for full financial risk protection. Additional documents such as copies of clinical charts may be requested if deemed necessary for claims evaluation.

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

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