



No Accreditation Fees for Accredited Health Care Professionals

PhilHealth Circular No. 2023-0024¹ prescribes the requirements of accreditation of all health care professionals (HCProfs). Section V, Letter D, regarding Premium Contributions provides for the following:

- 1. All accredited HCProfs shall be registered members of PhilHealth. They shall pay at least one (1) month premium contribution during the month the application was filed.
- 2. Applicant HCProfs who are practicing professionals (in private practice) or who are not formally employed and with missed premium contributions shall be referred to the Collection Section of Local Health Insurance Offices (LHIOs)/ PROs for appropriate action.

Relative to the above, it is hereby reiterated that the Corporation **does not** collect accreditation fees from health care professionals (HCProfs) applying for accreditation. The payment necessary during application is their premium contribution for the month of their application as a direct contributor, whether employed or as a professional practitioner. Employed professionals will not be required to submit proof of contributions as their contributions are being handled by their respective employer.

Payment of all missed contributions is also not a requirement for accreditation. Missed payment of premium contributions shall be covered by existing guidelines. As such, accredited HCProfs, particularly self-employed or non-formally employed practitioners, shall ensure that their premium contributions are paid regularly to avoid interest on their missed payments.

In addition, HCProfs who will pay the maximum premium contribution do not need to submit any proof of income (such as income tax return/ITR). If the HCProf opts not to pay the maximum premium rate, the Corporation shall refer to their signed PhilHealth Member Registration Form (PMRF) with self-declaration of income (<u>https://www.philhealth.gov.ph/downloads/membership/</u> <u>pmrf_012020.pdf</u>) for the computation of their monthly contribution.

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For your information and guidance.

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