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TO : ALL ACCREDITED INSTITUTIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM, REGIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE OFFICES AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

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SUBJECT : Documentary Requirements for Availment of Benefits of Retirees and Pensioners

BASED on the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR), effective July 1, 2000, the following documents are required in availing of benefits for all retirees and pensioners:

Membership Category	Supporting Documents Required	
	Retiree/Pensioner PRIOR to effectivity of RA 7875 on March 4, 1995	Retiree/Pensioner UPON the effectivity of RA 7875 on March 4, 1995
a.) SSS/GSIS Retirees / Pensioner (A member who has reached the age of retirement)	- Copy of Retiree/Pensioner Certification issued by SSS/GSIS indicating date of effectivity of retirement/pension	- Copy of Retiree/Pensioner Certification issued by SSS/GSIS indicating date of effectivity of retirement/pension and certification of 120 monthly Medicare contribution from SSS/GSIS or previous employer/s.
Disability Pensioner	- Copy of Disability Retiree/Pensioner Certification issued by SSS/GSIS indicating date of effectivity of pension or the period of coverage for SSS/GSIS partially disabled pensioner	- No longer covered. However, those who wish to avail the benefits may enroll with the Individually Paying Program or may be listed in the Indigent Program through your local government officials or through DSWD.
SSS Survivorship Pensioner	- Copy of Survivorship Pensioner Certification issued by SSS/GSIS indicating date of effectivity of pension	-- No longer covered. However, those who wish to avail the benefits may enroll with the Individually Paying Program or may be listed in the Indigent Program through your local government officials or through DSWD.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS REQUIRED
b) AFP, PNP, BJMP and BFP Retirees/Pensioners	- Certification of 120 monthly Medicare contributions from SSS/GSIS or previous employer/s and copy of General/Special Order
c) Retired Supreme Court and Regional Trial Court Judges	- Certification of Retirement from the Office of the Court Administration (OCA) and also Certification of 120 monthly Medicare contributions from SSS/GSIS or previous employer/s

This circular supercedes documentary requirements for retirees and pensioners presented at the back portion of PhilHealth Form 1 under PhilHealth Circular No. 11, s-2000 which are not consistent.

It is reiterated that all GSIS members who availed or are going to avail of early retirement (*meaning those who retired younger than 60 years old*) under R.A. 1616 are not considered non-paying members regardless of the date of effectivity of their retirement. However, once they reach the age of 60, they can be considered as non-paying members and will be allowed to avail of benefits given by PhilHealth upon presentation of a proof or certification from the GSIS / SSS or from their previous employer/s that they have paid 120 monthly Medicare premiums.

Hospitals and entities are advised to refer to this circular in their information dissemination and completion of PhilHealth Claim forms. Documentary requirements for other member category not in conflict with this circular shall remain in full force and effect.

For guidance and compliance.

