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TO : ALL MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM, ACCREDITED INSTITUTIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, REGIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE OFFICES, CLAIMS PROCESSING DEPARTMENTS IN THE CENTRAL OFFICE AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT: List of additional reimburseable drugs including over-the-counter drugs, found in the Philippine National Drug Formulary

THE Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) has approved the following drugs for inclusion in PhilHealth's Positive List. These drugs can be found in the Clinical Practice Guidelines (CPGs) for Hypertension, Urinary Tract Infection and Pneumonia. Claims for Medicare refund for these drugs will be reimbursed only when used in the treatment of the diseases indicated in the CPGs:

DRUG	CPG	PREPARATION
1. Benazepril Hcl	Hypertension	Tablet
2. Bisoprolol	Hypertension	Tablet
3. Cilazapril	Hypertension	Tablet
4. Doxazosin	Hypertension	Tablet
5. Isradipine	Hypertension	Tablet
6. Lacidipine	Hypertension	Tablet
7. Manidipine Hcl	Hypertension	Tablet
8. Perindopril	Hypertension	Tablet
9. Quinapril	Hypertension	Tablet
10. Ramipril	Hypertension	Tablet
11. Delapril	Hypertension	Tablet
12. Lisinopril	Hypertension	Tablet
13. Carteolol	Hypertension	Tablet
14. Oxprenolol	Hypertension	Tablet
15. Pindolol	Hypertension	Tablet
16. Guanfacine	Hypertension	Tablet
17. Sodium Nitroprusside	Hypertension	Tablet
18. Nitrendipine	Hypertension	Tablet
19. Cefamandole	Pneumonia	0.5-2.0g Vial
20. Cefoperazone	Pneumonia	1-2g Vial
21. Cefotiam	Pneumonia	0.5-1g Vial
22. Cefpirome	Pneumonia	1g Vial
23. Cefdinir	Pneumonia	100mg Capsule
24. Co-amoxyclav	Pneumonia	625-1g Vial

DRUG	CPG	PREPARATION
25. Cefprozil	Pneumonia	500mg Tablet
26. Cefibuten	Pneumonia	200mg/400mg Capsule
27. Cefizoxime	Pneumonia	1g Vial
28. Dirithromycin	Pneumonia	500mg Tablet
29. Roxithromycin	Pneumonia	150mg Tablet
30. Sultamicillin	Pneumonia	375-750mg Tablet
31. Cefaclor	Pneumonia	250-500mg Tablet
32. Cefetamet	Pneumonia	500mg Tablet
33. Levofloxacin	Pneumonia	250mg/500mg Tablet
34. Lomefloxacin	UTI	400mg Tablet
35. Pefloxacin	UTI	400mg Tablet

At the same time, the Corporation has approved the compensability of the following over-the-counter or "non-prescription" drugs that are listed in the Philippine National Drug Formulary:

DRUG	DRUG	DRUG
1. Aluminum Hydroxide	13. Diphenhydramine Hcl	25. Mefenamic Acid
2. Aspirin	14. Ferrous Fumarate	26. Multivitamins
3. Benzoic Acid + Salicylic Acid	15. Ferrous Sulfate	27. Oral Rehydration Salts ⁰
4. Benzoyl Peroxide	16. Glycerol	28. Oxymetazoline
5. Bisacodyl	17. Ibuprofen	29. Paracetamol
6. Calamine	18. Ketoconazole	30. Phenylephrine Hcl
7. Calcium Gluconate	19. Lagundi (Vitex negundo L.)	31. Phenylpropanolamine
8. Chlorhexidine	20. Loperamide	32. Povidone Iodine
9. Chlorphenamine maleate	21. Loratadine	33. Pyrantel Pamoate
10. Clemastine hydrogen fumarate	22. Magnesium hydroxide	34. Ranitidine 75mg Syrup
11. Coal Tar	23. Mebendazole	35. Sodium Bicarbonate
12. Crotamiton	24. Meclizine Hcl	36. Sodium Chloride
		37. Sulfur

This Circular shall take effect immediately.


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