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

SUBJECT : Health Human Resource Shortage Areas

Pursuant to PhilHealth Board Resolution No. 22, s. 2006 (Resolution Approving a Tiered Payment of Professional Based on Credentialing and Technical Competence) as implemented by PhilHealth Circular No. 22, s. 2008 (Tiered Payment of Professional Fees of Accredited Physicians), the Corporation has initially identified/ considered Accredited Health Care Providers (AHCPs) in areas with shortage on health human resource.

Selection was based on the following criteria: accessibility (terrain, distance, availability of public transportation), socio-economic factors (poverty rate, income, etc.), peace and order (presence of armed conflict in the area) and evaluation reports submitted by PhilHealth Regional Offices (PhROS) and other offices (Department of Health (DOH) and National Statistical and Coordination Board (NSCB)). After thorough evaluation, the Corporation has come up with an initial list of AHCPs in Health Human Resource shortage areas. Please see "Annex A" for the initial list of AHCPs in identified shortage areas.

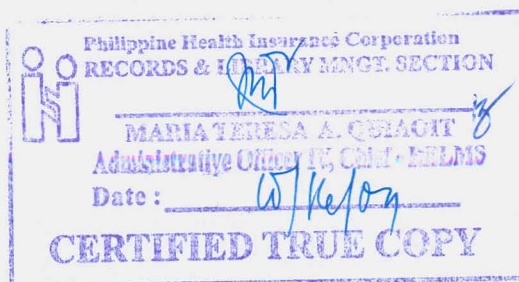
Payment for accredited doctors practicing in AHCPs in areas with shortage on health human resource (see "Annex A"), computation of professional fees (PF) for surgeries and other RVU-linked services shall be based on a Peso Conversion Factor (PCF) with 10% additional of the computed PF based on tiered category under PhilHealth Circular No. 22, s. 2008

Doctors classified as general practitioners (Claims Code Group Number 1) shall be allowed to perform surgeries with RVU more than 80 in AHCPs in areas with shortage on health human resource under PhilHealth Circular No. 9, s. 2009

Illustration:

Group 1	Group 5 & 6	Group 2, 3 & 4
$RVU \times PCF 40 + 10\%$	$RVU \times PCF 48 + 10\%$	$RVU \times PCF 56 + 10\%$

The Corporation shall continue to evaluate sites that can be considered as health human resource shortage areas.



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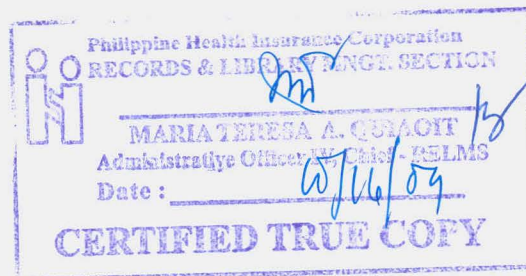
This circular shall take effect for all claims for PF in the said areas with admission dates starting January 01, 2010.

All other provisions of previous issuances which are not inconsistent with this Circular remain in full force and effect.

Please be guided accordingly.


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President and CEO

Date signed: 14 Feb 09



ANNEX A

ACCREDITED HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS ON SHORTAGE AREAS

Region	Province	Hospitals	Address
ARMM	Basilan	All Accredited Health Care Providers	
	Lanao del Sur		
	Maguindanao		
	Sulu		
	Shariff Kabunsuan		
	Tawi-tawi		
CAR	Abra	Bucay Municipal Hospital	Siblong, Bucay, Abra
		Dolores Medicare & Community Hospital	Dolores, Abra
		La Paz District Hospital	Pobalacion, La Paz, Abra
		Saint Theresa Wellness Center	Talogtog, Dolores, Abra
		Villaviciosa Medicare & Community Hospital	Ap-apaya, Villaviciosa, Abra
	Apayao	Amma Jadsac District Hospital	Poblacion, Pudtol, Apayao
		Apayao District Hospital	Poblacion, Calanasa, Apayao
		Flora District Hospital	Bagutong, Flora, Apayao
		Santa Marcela Medicare & Community Hospital	Sta. Marcela, Apayao
	Kalinga	Juan M. Duyan District Hospital	Pob., Rizal, Kalinga
		Kalinga District Hospital	Pob., Lubuagan, Kalinga
	Mt. Province	Barlig District Hospital	Barlig, Mt. Province
		Baesao District Hospital	Kin-iway, Besao, Mt. Province
		Luis Hora Memorial Regional Hospital	Abatan, Bauko, Mt. Province
		Natonin Community Hospital	Pob., Natonin, Mt. Province
		St. Theodore's Hospital	Pob., Sagada, Mt. Province
CARAGA	Surigao del Norte	Dinagat District Hospital	Dinagat, Prov. of Dinagat Island
		Loreto District Hospital	Loreto, Prov. Of Dinagat Island
		Mainit Medical Community Hospital	Mainit, Surigao del Norte
		Pilar District Hospital	Pilar, Surigao del Norte
		Placer District Hospital	Placer, Surigao del Norte
		Siargao District Hospital	Dapa, Surigao del Norte
	Surigao del Sur	Cortes Municipal Hospital	Cortes, Surigao del Sur
		Lianga District Hospital	Lianga, Surigao del Sur
		Madrid District Hospital	Madrid, Surigao del Sur
IV	Occidental Mindoro	Abra de Ilog Municipal Hospital	Abra de Ilog, Occ. Mindoro
		Lubang District Hospital	Lubang, Occ. Mindoro
	Oriental Mindoro	Bulalacao Municipal Hospital	Bulalacao, Oriental Mindoro
		Gloria Community Hospital	Gloria, Oriental Mindoro
		Mansalay Medicare Hospital	Mansalay, Oriental Mindoro
V		Roxas District Hospital	Roxas, Oriental Mindoro
	Masbate	Balud Municipal Hospital	Balud, Masbate
		Ticao District Hospital	San Jacinto, Masbate
VII	Negros Oriental	Bayawan District Hospital	Zamora St., Bayawan City

Region	Province	Hospitals	Address
VIII	Northern Samar	Allen District Hospital	Allen, No. Samar
		Biri District Hospital	Biri, No. Samar
		Capul District Hospital	Capul, No. Samar
		Catubig District Hospital	Catubig, No. Samar
		Gamay Distric Hospital	Gamay, No. Samar
		San Antonio District Hospital	San Antonio, No. Samar
IX	Zamboanga del Norte	Labason District Hospital	Labason, Zamboanga del Norte
		Piñan District Hospital	Piñan, Zamboanga del Norte
		Sergio Osmeña Municipal Hospital	Sergio Osmeña, Zamboanga del Norte
		Sibulad District Hospital	Sibulad, Zamboanga del Norte
		Siocon District Hospital	Siocon, Zamboanga del Norte
X	Lanao del Norte	Andot Medical Clinic	Bacolod, Lanao del Norte
		Kauswagan Provincial Hospital	Kauswagan, Lanao del Norte
		Kolambugan District Hospital	Kolambugan, Lanao del Norte
		Sultan Naga Dimaporo Provincial Hospital	Sultan Naga Dimaporo, Lanao del Norte
	Misamis Occidental	Calamba District Hospital	Calamba, Misamis Occidental
		Drazen Community Hospital	Sinacaban, Misamis Occidental
		Tanho Medical Clinic	Plaridel, Misamis Occidental
		Tudela Municipal Hospital	Tudela, Misamis Occidental
XII	Saranggani	Maitum Municipal Hospital	Malalag, Maitum, Saranggani Province