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PHILHEALTH CIRCULAR

No. 017, s. 2012
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**TO: ALL ACCREDITED GOVERNMENT HEALTH CARE FACILITIES,
PHILHEALTH REGIONAL OFFICES (PhROs) AND SERVICE
OFFICES (SOs) AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED.**

**SUBJECT: Exemption of Government Health Care Facilities in Submitting
Justification for Admissions Beyond their Accredited Bed Capacity.**

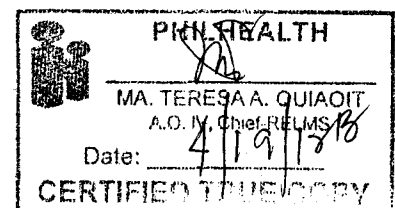
In accordance with the strategic thrusts of Aquino Health Agenda (AHA), most importantly improved access to quality hospitals and health care facilities, PhilHealth Board Resolution No. 1598, s. 2012 was approved for the purpose of exempting the government health care facilities in submitting justification for admissions beyond their accredited bed capacity for purposes of reimbursements.

Government health care facilities cater mostly the poor families who can't afford the expense of admission in a private health care facility. Inability to maximize the capability of the facility in terms of admission of patients will deprive patients of the much needed medical attention and also from reaping the benefits of being a PhilHealth member. Hence, this measure shall not limit or hinder such facilities in accepting admissions beyond their accredited bed capacity taking into consideration still the provision of quality health care services.

However, submission of justification for admissions beyond the government facility's accredited bed capacity may still be requested if deemed necessary by the Corporation for the purpose of but not limited to utilization review and researches.

PhROs shall provide the list of government facilities to the Department of Health that have been exceeding their authorized bed capacities for their appropriate action and inclusion in the health facility enhancement program, if necessary.

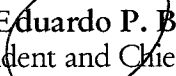
The provisions of this circular shall be applied to all claims that have been submitted to PhilHealth for processing upon its effectivity. Further, the same shall be applied to denied claims due to the absence of such justification that are currently on review or appeal.



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This Circular shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation and deposited thereafter with the National Administrative Register at the University of the Philippines Law Centre.


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Date signed: 4/19/12

