

**THE NEW ACCREDITATION PROCESS FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS
AND GUIDELINES FOR CREDENTIALING AND PRIVILEGING OF
PROFESSIONALS**

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1. **In case a physician was formerly categorized as a medical specialist (MS); however, due to failure to submit a certificate of good standing from the specialty society during the renewal before October 6, 2013, was downgraded to general practitioner with training, can they be upgraded as MS?**

Yes, they were automatically upgraded effective October 6, 2013.

2. **The new IRR does not require physicians to submit certificate of good standing from specialty society, how are we going to ensure that the professional is providing quality health service to the members of the National Health Insurance Program and their dependents?**

- a. It is the health care institution, where the professional is affiliated, through their credentialing and privileging that shall ensure the delivery of quality health care service.
- b. Professionals have signed their Performance Commitment signifying their willingness to comply with all PhilHealth policies

3. **The Corporation shall no longer classify doctors as general practitioner, general practitioner with training and medical specialist? How come in this circular you still have requirements for these?**

These requirements are needed to complete the profile of the accredited health care providers for purposes of monitoring and evaluation of their performance. .Also, these are necessary in preparation for the direction of the Corporation to implement the DRG payment mechanism