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PhilHealth Circular No. 026-2015

Strengthening of Engagement with the Employers through the PhilHealth Employers' Engagement Representatives (PEERs) (Revision 1)

1. What is the legal basis and rationale for the creation of PEERs?

Title III, Rule I, Section 6(f) of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act 7875 as amended mandates PhilHealth to establish and maintain an updated membership and contribution database.

The PEERs will help the employers to ensure that the membership and contribution records of their agency/company, among others, are updated with PhilHealth. The PEERs will also serve as the link between the employer and PhilHealth in the effective dissemination of pertinent information regarding the latest PhilHealth issuances concerning the Formal Sector.

2. Who are the PEERs and how are they chosen?

Human resource or accounting staff assigned and authorized by their respective employers to serve as official point persons/account officers relative to PhilHealth transactions.

3. What is the coverage of this Circular?

This Circular shall apply to all authorized employer's representatives or PEERs in the government and private sectors.

4. What are the specific responsibilities of a PEER?

- a) To handle the updating of membership registration and enrolment, premium remittance and reporting using the Electronic Premium Remittance System (EPRS).
- b) To initiate/organize information and dissemination activities among employee-members on their rights and benefits as PhilHealth members.

5. How to register as PEER?

- a) The PEER shall fill-out the PEER Information Sheet.
- b) A certification stating the rights and responsibility as PEER of their employer shall be given them.
- c) The PEER shall be required to execute a 'Non-Disclosure Agreement' (NDA) in favor of PhilHealth as a pre-requisite to engagement.

6. What are the privileges of being a PEER?

- Direct link and easy access to PhilHealth through the PAIMS assigned to the employer.
- Priority in facilitating of registration/updating of employee-members of their companies.
- Priority to available training courses on Social Health Insurance (SHI) and the National Health Insurance Program (NHIP), and other related activities of PhilHealth.
- Other privileges as may be deemed appropriate by the Corporation.

7. When shall this Circular take effect?

This Circular shall take effect 15 days after its publication in any newspaper of general circulation.