PHILHEALTH CIRCULAR
No. 037 - 2015

SUBJECT: Enrolment and Coverage of Emancipated Individuals and/or Single Parents below 21 years old from the NHTSPR-Identified Poor Families as Indigent Members

I. RATIONALE

This Circular is being issued to provide coverage to emancipated individual or single parent pursuant to Section 10 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Republic Act 10606, otherwise known as the National Health Insurance Act of 2013, to wit:

"Any person below 21 years of age, married or unmarried but with a child, shall be enrolled as a member".

II. COVERAGE

Emancipated individuals and/or single parents below 21 years old and their qualified dependents, as identified by the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) through the National Household Targeting System for Poverty Reduction (NHTSPR) also known as the Listahanan shall have access to health insurance benefits and privileges as Indigent Members under the National Health Insurance Program (NHIP).

III. GENERAL GUIDELINES

Any individual below 21 years old who is listed in the Listahanan/NHTSPR, emancipated and/or single parent, enlisted and/or profiled by the Health Centers (HC)/Rural Health Units (RHU), or admitted in any institutional health care provider shall be enrolled in NHIP as Indigent Member.

a) All dependent-children declared in the Member Data Record (MDR) of the indigent member who are verified emancipated individuals or single parents shall accomplish PhilHealth Member Registration Form (PMRF). Indicate the PIN of Indigent Members who declared this emancipated/single parent on the upper mid-portion of the PMRF. Submit PMRF to the nearest PhilHealth Office or during our Membership and Benefits Advocacy sessions known as ALAGA KA Program.

b) For all dependent-children of indigent members who are verified emancipated individuals or single parents but are not yet declared in the MDR of their parents who are Indigent Members, submit properly signed PMRF with either the M/CSWDO certification or any other proof attesting his/her relationship to an existing indigent member.

c) Emancipated individuals or single parents shall be entitled to NHIP benefits for Indigent Members including Inpatient Hospital Care, Outpatient Hospital Care, No Balance Billing and Primary Care Benefit Package (also known as Tamang teamphilhealth
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Serbisyo para sa Kalusugan ng Pamimaya (Tsikat) in accordance with existing policies and guidelines.

d) Those emancipated individuals and single parents below 21 years old who are not part of the Listahanan families and are deemed ‘minors under special circumstances’ shall be enrolled and covered as members of the Informal Economy or as Sponsored Members. Specific provisions of PhilHealth Circular No. 022-2014 on Social Health Insurance Coverage and Benefits for Women About to Give Birth shall also be applied and considered in providing them membership and benefits entitlement.

IV. EFFECTIVITY

This Circular is deemed effective immediately per Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 10606 or the National Health Insurance Act of 2013. A copy thereof shall be deposited with the National Administrative Register at the University of the Philippines Law Center.

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Date signed: 10-12-15