



**PHILHEALTH CIRCULAR**  
No. 2015-010

**SUBJECT : Entitlement to NHIP Benefits of MCCT Beneficiaries under the Pantawid Program of the DSWD**

## I. RATIONALE

Rule VI, Section 27 of the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of the National Health Insurance Act of 2013, Republic Act No. 10606 provides that "All indigents identified by the DSWD under the NHTS and other such acceptable methods, shall be automatically enrolled and covered under the Program."

The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) under its Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program is implementing the Modified Conditional Cash Transfer (MCCT) scheme. It is designed to reach out to Homeless Street Families (HSF) who are definitely poor, more vulnerable and disadvantaged that are not covered by the regular Conditional Cash Transfer (CCT). The MCCT also caters to Indigenous People (IP) by providing indigenous cultural communities in Geographically Isolated and Disadvantaged Areas (GIDAs) with equal opportunities to access the services and benefits of the Program. It is expected that MCT HSF beneficiaries will be transitioned to the regular Pantawid Pamilya after one year.

## II. COVERAGE

All MCCT beneficiaries as identified by the DSWD shall be automatically enrolled and covered as Indigent members under the National Health Insurance Program (NHIP).

## III. IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES

This Supplemental Circular adopts the guidelines on the "Entitlement to NHIP Benefits of all Pantawid Pamilya Pilipino Program Beneficiaries of the DSWD" under PhilHealth Circular No. 024, s. 2012 for the automatic enrollment and coverage of all MCCT beneficiaries under the NHIP.

### EFFECTIVITY

This Circular shall take effect immediately. A copy thereof shall be deposited with the Office of the National Administrative Register of the University of the Philippines Law Center.

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Date signed : 12/18/15

