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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERIM REIMBURSEMENT MECHANISM (IRM) TO EXPEDITE THE RECOVERY OF THE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM IN MARAWI

1. What are the criteria necessary for Health Care Institutions (HCIs) to be covered by this policy?

To be eligible for the IRM, the HCIs should be:

- a) accredited hospitals, primary care facilities, ambulatory surgical clinics, freestanding dialysis clinics and maternity care package providers;
- b) located in areas or local government units (LGUs) directly affected by the armed conflict in Marawi;
- c) with clear and apparent intent to continuously operate and/or rebuild the HCI subject to proper pre-evaluation and compliance to other requirements prescribed by regulatory agencies.

2. What are the documents that the HCI needs to submit to PhilHealth in order to apply for the IRM?

The IRM shall be limited to the HCIs that are able to submit their letter of intent to be enlisted.

3. How does the HCI know if the application for IRM is approved?

The IRM HCI applicant shall be informed by the PhilHealth Regional Office (PRO) through a written communication on the decision of the President and CEO (PCEO) of the Corporation which shall be final and executory. This decision shall be based on the PRO and Area Vice President (AVP) recommendations based on the need for the IRM fund and track record in terms of rendering health care services to PhilHealth members and dependents.

4. How will the IRM fund be computed?

The computation shall be **IRM fund = Average Reimbursement per day (ARPD)** multiplied by the **No. of days covered**. The number of days covered shall be determined by the Corporation based on the report of the survey team.

5. Are there other options in the availment of the IRM fund?

The HCI may opt to avail of the full IRM fund or only a specific percentage thereof. Changing the option shall no longer be allowed after the contract has been processed by PhilHealth.