

Republic of the Philippines

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PHILHEALTH CIRCULAR No. <u>2017 - 000</u> 4

TO:

ALL FILIPINOS WITH DUAL CITIZENSHIP, ACCREDITED HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, PHILHEALTH REGIONAL OFFICES (PROS)/BRANCHES, AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT: Enrolment/Coverage of Filipinos with Dual Citizenship

I. BACKGROUND

Pursuant to Republic Act No. 7875 as amended by R.A. No. 10606 otherwise known as the National Health Insurance Act of 2013, this Circular is being issued to address the coverage of Filipinos with Dual Citizenship (FDC) acquired through RA 9225 and its implementing guidelines.

The National Health Insurance Act of 2013 defines Filipinos with Dual Citizenship as "Filipinos who are also citizens of other countries." (Section 5.b.4, Nature and Scope).

COVERAGE II.

This covers all Filipinos with Dual Citizenship (FDC) or those Filipinos who retained and reacquired their Filipino citizenship by virtue of RA 9225, also known as the Citizenship Retention and Re-acquisition Act of 2003, as a category of PhilHealth membership.

III. **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

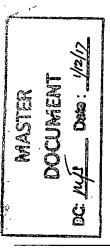
1. Registration

Filipinos with Dual Citizenship who intend to register with PhilHealth shall submit a properly filled-out PhilHealth Membership Registration Form (PMRF) and a Certificate of Re-acquisition/Retention of Philippine Citizenship (CRCP) or Identification Certificate (IC) issued by the Philippine Embassy or Philippine Consulate abroad or by the Bureau of Immigration pursuant to the revised rules governing Philippine Citizenship under RA 9225 also known as the 'Citizenship Retention and Re-acquisition Act of 2003'.

2. Legal Dependents and Required Documents

FDCs declaring their dependents shall submit the following:

- a. For child/ren below 21 years old, not gainfully employed and unmarried:
 - CRCP or IC.









- b. For child/ren below 21 years old or above but suffering from congenital disability, either physical or mental, or any disability acquired that renders them totally dependent to the member for support:
 - i. CRCP or IC and medical certificate stating and describing the extent of disability.
- c. Legitimate spouse:
 - i. FDC and not a member marriage contract and CRPC or IC;

Note: Foreign spouses are not qualified dependents of FDCs.

- d. Filipino parent/s below 60 years old but suffering from disability, either physical or mental, or any disability acquired that renders them totally dependent to the member for support:
 - i. Birth certificate of member and parent/s
 - ii. Medical certificate stating the extent of disability.

3. Premium Rate and Remittance of Contribution

The premium contribution shall be at Php3,600 per year. Premium payment shall be on an annual or a 12-month period basis which shall be remitted to any PhilHealth office or to any accredited local or overseas collecting agent. Advance payment of premiums shall be allowed for a maximum period of two years.

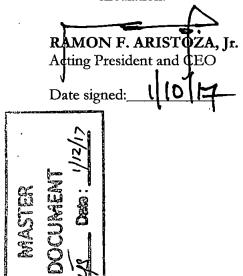
4. Entitlement to Benefits

FDCs and their qualified dependent/s are entitled to avail PhilHealth benefits, provided they have paid premium contributions of at least 3 months within the 6-month period prior to the first day of availment, subject to PhilHealth Circular No. 032-2014 and/or as may be prescribed by the Corporation.

They are also entitled to avail of in-patient benefits, special benefit packages and the Z benefits subject to the existing implementing guidelines on availment. They are also eligible to reimburse benefits for confinements abroad equivalent to the full case rate amount in local rate.

IV. **EFFECTIVITY**

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



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