

# TAMANG SAGOT

## PhilHealth Circular No. 2018-0018

### Payment of Premium Contributions in All PhilHealth Collecting Offices

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#### 1. What is this PC 2018-0018 all about?

This Circular says that all PhilHealth Regional Offices and Branches shall accept PhilHealth premium contributions from all member categories effective October 1, 2018, as well as the acceptable checks in paying PhilHealth premium contributions.

#### 2. What is the legal basis of this Circular?

This Circular is in line with the directive of the Department of Finance Circular No. 01-2017, “Amended Guidelines on Authorized Government Depository Banks” and to ensure accessibility and convenience of members in paying PhilHealth premium contributions.

#### 3. What is the coverage of this Circular?

This Circular shall apply to all paying PhilHealth members including employers regardless of number of employees.

The Circular likewise states the acceptable checks for payment of premium contributions, such as:

- a. It must be payable to “Philippine Health Insurance Corporation” or “PhilHealth” or “PHIC”;
- b. It must be issued by the member in payment for his/her premium contributions;
- c. It must be issued by the Organized Group/iGroup in payment for their members’ premium contributions;
- d. Features must be compliant to the Philippine Clearing House Corporation’s Check Image Clearing System (CICS);
- e. It must contain relevant information, such as date, payee, amount in words and figures, and signatures.

f. It must not contain any erasure/s or alteration/s.

**4. When is the effectivity of this Circular?**

This Circular is effective on October 1, 2018.