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UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE
KALUSUGAN AT PILINGKAP PARA SA LAHAT

PHILHEALTH CIRCULAR

No. 2020 - 0006

TO : ALL HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT : Premium Contributions of Accredited Health Care Professionals as Direct Contributors

I. RATIONALE

Section 1 of Republic Act No. 11223, otherwise known as the Universal Health Care Act (UHC) of 2019, provides that “the State shall adopt a health care model that provides all Filipinos access to a comprehensive set of quality and cost-effective, promotive, preventive, curative, rehabilitative and palliative health services without causing financial hardship, and prioritizes the needs of the population who cannot afford such services.”

All health care professionals who deliver the National Health Insurance Program (NHIP) are considered direct contributors and shall comply with the provisions of PhilHealth Circular No. 2019-0009 entitled “Premium Contribution Schedule in the NHIP Pursuant to R.A. No. 11223 Known as the Universal Health Care Act.”

II. OBJECTIVE

To provide clarification on the premium contribution of accredited health care professionals participating in the NHIP as Direct Contributors.

III. SCOPE

This policy applies to all health care professionals (HCPs) such as physicians, dentists, midwives and nurses who are currently participating in the National Health Insurance Program as well as to other health care providers with intention to be accredited with PhilHealth.

IV. DEFINITION OF TERMS

Health Care professionals – a health care provider who may be a doctor of medicine, nurse, midwife, dentist, or other allied professional or practitioner duly licensed to practice in the Philippines

V. POLICY STATEMENTS

- A. All health care professionals (HCPs) must be registered members before they can be accredited with PhilHealth.
- B. All HCPs may opt to pay their premium contributions quarterly or monthly pursuant to

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- C. The health care professionals shall make sure missed payments are paid fully prior to application for continuous or re-accreditation. Any missed or late payments shall be subjected to interests as provided for in PhilHealth Circular Nos. 2019-0009 and 2019-0010 and other penalties under the UHC Act and its IRR.
- D. All HCPs are reminded to abide by their signed performance commitment which is being submitted whenever they apply for accreditation.
- E. An approved application for accreditation shall be valid and effective for three (3) consecutive years reckoned from the birthdate of the professional, unless sooner revoked, withdrawn or suspended.

VI. PENALTY CLAUSE

Any violation of this Circular, the terms and conditions of the Performance Commitment and all existing related PhilHealth circulars and directives shall be dealt with and penalized in accordance with the pertinent provisions of RA 11223 and RA7875, as amended and their respective Implementing Rules and Regulations.

VII. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

In the event that a part or provision of this policy is declared unconstitutional or rendered invalid by any Court of Law or competent authority, provisions not affected by such declaration shall remain in full force and in effect.

VIII. REPEALING CLAUSE

All provisions of PhilHealth Circular 10, s. 2014 inconsistent with or contrary to this Circular are hereby revised, modified or repealed accordingly. All provisions of existing issuances which are not affected by this Circular shall remain valid and in effect.

DATE OF EFFECTIVITY

This Circular shall take effect immediately after publication in a newspaper of general circulation. A copy shall thereafter be deposited with the Office of the National Administrative Register, University of the Philippines Law Center.

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