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UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE
KALUSUBAN AT BAHAGIA PARA SA LAHAT

PHILHEALTH CIRCULAR

No. 2020-0013

TO : ALL ACCREDITED HEALTH CARE INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONALS, PHILHEALTH REGIONAL OFFICES, LOCAL HEALTH INSURANCE OFFICES AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT : PROVISIONAL ACCREDITATION OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS

I. BACKGROUND:

The Universal Health Care Law seeks to ensure that all Filipinos are guaranteed equitable access to quality and affordable health care goods and services, and protected against financial risk.

Section 51.a of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 10606 known as National Health Insurance Act of 2013 provides that the Corporation shall verify, through the accreditation process, the qualifications and capabilities of health care providers for the purpose of conferring upon them the privilege of participating in the Program and assuring that the health care services they render meet the desired and expected quality.

II. OBJECTIVE

This Circular shall provide the conditions and guidelines on the application of “provisional accreditation” to health care providers.

III. DEFINITION OF TERMS

Provisional accreditation (PA) - accreditation granted by the Corporation for a limited period of time to a health care provider (HCP), institution or professional, that/ who submitted an application / appeal/ MR during period of local or national distress, whether natural or man-made, or other situation/s as determined by the Corporation, during which time there is urgent need for health care services.

The Corporation shall review and make a decision on the application/ appeal / MR by the end of the aforementioned period.

IV. COVERAGE

This Circular shall apply to accreditation of health care providers, both institutions and professionals.

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V. GENERAL GUIDELINES:

1. Provisional accreditation may be granted by either the PhilHealth Regional Office or the Central Office.
2. It shall allow time for the Corporation to determine the performance and commitment of a health care provider and at the same time, allow the HCP to provide evidence of its commitment to deliver the national health insurance program.
3. HCP shall be continuously reimbursed during the provisional accreditation period.

VI. MONITORING

PhilHealth shall employ the process and quality assessment tools provided in the Health Care Provider Performance Assessment System (HCP PAS) in monitoring HCPs given provisional accreditation, to ensure that:

1. The HCP shall uphold their Performance Commitment as required for accreditation;
2. The HCP shall render accessible, safe, quality, and affordable health care to Filipinos that are covered by the National Health Insurance Program.

VII. REPEALING CLAUSE

All provisions of previous issuances that are inconsistent with any provisions of this circular are hereby amended/ modified/ or repealed accordingly.

VIII. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

In the event that a part or provision of this Circular is declared unauthorized or rendered invalid by any Court of Law or competent authority, those provisions not affected by such declaration shall remain valid and effective.

IX. EFFECTIVITY

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

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 President and CEO

Date signed: 4/15/2020

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