

Philippine Health Insurance Corporation

**ADVISORY**

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## **TO ALL ACCREDITED HOSPITALS AND HEALTH CARE FACILITIES ACCOMMODATING COVID-19 PATIENTS**

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic that the nation and the rest of the world is facing, we remain true to our commitment of providing financial risk protection to every Filipino.

Due to the growing public concern over the financial costs of getting treatment for the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), please be informed that the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) will shoulder the full cost of treatment for all COVID-19 cases until April 14, 2020. After the date, we shall continue to provide financial coverage to Covid cases thru a recomputed case rate. The reason for this accommodation window is due to the novelty and the wide range of severity of the disease in the country for which no existing case rate or package based on accepted protocols has yet been established. PhilHealth is confident that by the above mentioned date, more about the behavior of the disease in the Philippines can be learned, a final protocol established, and an appropriate case rate can be developed that will provide adequacy and sustainability to the anti-COVID-19 campaign. Before then, PhilHealth shall issue a new set of guidelines which will include the appropriate case rate based on accepted protocols in dealing with the disease.

Furthermore, as stipulated under R. A. 11469 also known as the *Bayanihan* We Heal As One Act, all health workers will be covered beyond the April 14 2020 cut-off date for all work and COVID-19 related health services. Due to the exigency of the times, this will include all other personnel necessary for the operation of a health facility.

We anticipate your full support and cooperation, now more than ever, as we face this global pandemic and continuously fulfill our mandate under the Universal Health Care (UHC) Law of providing adequate health services to all Filipinos when the need arises.

  
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