

**[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 649, June 15, 1951 ]**

**AN ACT PROVIDING FOR REVISED SALARY ALLOCATIONS AND  
AUTOMATIC SALARY INCREASES FOR NURSES IN THE  
GOVERNMENT SERVICE.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as the "Government Nurses Salary Act."

SEC. 2. Any provision of existing law to the contrary notwithstanding, the minimum and maximum rates of annual salaries for nurses in the National Government service and local and provincial government service depending on the availability of funds as hereby classified shall be as follows:

Position	Salary range
1. Chief Nurse and Superintendent of Nursing School or Chief Nurse, P.H.N. Section	P3.300.00-3,720.00
2. Chief Nurse or Principal or Assistant Chief Nurse, P.H.N	2,940.00-3,300.00
3. Assistant Chief Nurse, Assistant Principal, Dietician, Operating Room Supervisor and Nurse Supervisors in P.H.N. Section	2,580.00-2,940.00
4. Ward Supervisors, Nurse Instructors and Nurse Supervisors in P.H.N.	2,280.00-2,580.00
5. Head Nurse or Chief Nurse of hospitals of 40 beds or less	2,040.00-2,280.00
6. General Duty Nurse or Staff Nurse in Institutional or Public Health Nursing	1,680.00-2,040.00

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Health or heads of other departments of the Government which employ nurses shall allow, free of charge, quarters and subsistence to all of nurses who are employed in institutions or hospitals who shall work not exceeding forty-eight hours a week: *Provided*, That Government nurses assigned to Public Health Nursing shall be entitled to an additional compensation of fifty pesos to sixty pesos a month in lieu of quarters, subsistence, and laundry allowance.

SEC. 4. A nurse with professional qualifications higher than the standards required for the position to which she is appointed shall be given a higher rate of entrance salary than a nurse who merely meets the standards, provided she has passed the Board Examination for Nurses and possesses the necessary civil service eligibility.

SEC. 5. The scale of salaries hereinabove provided shall become effective when the