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EXTENSION OF MORATORIUM ON THE PROCESS OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF ACCREDITATION OF INSTITUTIONAL HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS

Pursuant to PhilHealth Board Resolution Nos. 1113 and 1189 s. 2008, and PhilHealth Circular No. 24, s. 2008 on the Amendment of the Guidelines in the Accreditation Process of IHCPS, for operational efficiency, administrative cost-effectiveness and in preparation for the full implementation of PhilHealth Benchbook in 2010, the following guidelines are hereby issued.

1. All licensed institutional providers such as hospitals, Free Standing Dialysis Clinics (FSDCs) and Ambulatory Surgical Clinics (ASCs) applying for renewal of accreditation for 2009-2010 shall be covered by this moratorium, unless recommended otherwise by the PROs and the legal sector based on quality and legal issues. Period for filing of applications shall be from January 1, to February 28, 2009. The amount of application fee shall be the same as defined in PhilHealth Circular No. 24, s. 2008.

To illustrate:

Type of	Application	Processing Period	Validity of
Provider	Period		Accreditation
Hospitals, FSDCs and ASCs	Jan. 1 to Feb. 28, 2009	Up to March for PROs; up to April for CO	May 1, 2009 to April 30, 2010

Requirement s for application for the above-mentioned facilities for 2009-2010 moratorium:

- 1. DOH license for 2009;
- 2. Fully accomplished application form:
- 3. Duly signed and notarized Warranties of Accreditation;
- 4. Application Fee.
- 2. All non-licensed institutional providers such as OPB Providers (RHUs/HCs), Maternity Care Clinics, Anti-TB/DOTS Clinics accredited until April 29 or 30, 2009 shall have their accreditation automatically extended until December 31, 2009, unless recommended otherwise by the PROs and the legal sector based on quality and legal issues upon payment of applicable application fees. The amount of application fee shall be the same as defined in PhilHealth Circular No. 24, s. 2008 (column for prescribed filing period only --- incentive period does not apply). The deadline of payment shall be on the last working day of the month of February 2009.