



**EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF  
THE EIGHT (8<sup>th</sup>) REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING,  
EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION, SERIES OF 2015,  
*Convened at the Large Training Room, OSHC Bldg. Agham cor. North Ave, Quezon City  
Tuesday, 03 November 2015 at 12:00 NN***

**BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 15-11-51**

***Directing the Systems to Adopt a System of Paying EC Medical Benefit for  
Dialysis of Persons with Work-Related Disabilities (PWRDs) Taking into  
Consideration their Philhealth Coverage***

**WHEREAS**, the ECC is mandated by law to safeguard the integrity of the State Insurance Fund;

**WHEREAS**, the ECC, GSIS and the SSS are mandated by law to provide victims of work-connected sickness and injuries with a continuing program of rehabilitation services to help them become physically independent and to restore them towards gainful employment;

**WHEREAS**, the PHILHEALTH is mandated under its Charter to provide comprehensive healthcare services to all Filipinos through a socialized health insurance program that will prioritize the healthcare needs of its covered members;

**WHEREAS**, the SSS and the GSIS, as the implementing agencies of the Employees' Compensation Program (ECP) for private and public sector workers, respectively, serve persons with work-related disabilities (PWRDs) who undergo dialysis through reimbursement of the cost of dialysis sessions;

**WHEREAS**, the PHILHEALTH assists all its members who undergo dialysis in accordance with its prescribed case rate at a maximum of 90 sessions per year;

**WHEREAS**, the Systems shall reimburse the cost of dialysis after Philhealth coverage has been exhausted;

**WHEREAS**, the **PHILHEALTH**, the **SSS**, the **GSIS** and the **ECC** agreed to sign a Memorandum of Agreement to ensure that Philhealth benefits for dialysis provided to PWRDs are verified prior to payment of EC benefits for the same work-related medical treatment;

**WHEREAS**, such system of verification aims to maximize the availment by PWRDs of medical benefits from Philhealth and ECC in order to reduce their out of pocket expenses;

**WHEREAS**, such system also promotes the government's objective of universal **PHILHEALTH** coverage through referral for Philhealth coverage of PWRDs who are non Philhealth members;

**WHEREAS**, **PHILHEALTH** maintains a "MyPhilhealth" portal containing a database of all patients who availed of Philhealth coverage for dialysis and providing a system for the efficient verification of data on Philhealth payments;

**NOW THEREFORE, ON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED,**

This Commission **RESOLVES AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, to adopt a system of paying EC medical benefits taking into consideration their Philhealth coverage;

**RESOLVED** further that the Systems shall verify Philhealth coverage availment prior to payment of EC medical benefit for dialysis of persons with work-related disabilities (PWRDs) such that the Systems shall pay or reimburse the cost of dialysis after Philhealth coverage has been exhausted;

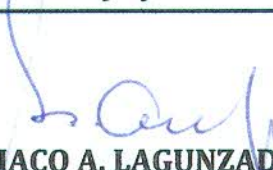
**RESOLVED** further that the Systems shall refer to Philhealth all those availing of EC benefits who are non Philhealth members, for coverage under the Philhealth program;

**RESOLVED** further that the Systems and ECC sign an agreement with Philhealth to cooperate on the implementation of the above;

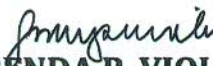
**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that copies of this Resolution be duly furnished the SSS and GSIS for their compliance and **PHILHEALTH** for information and proper guidance.

***APPROVED** in Quezon City, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November 2015.*

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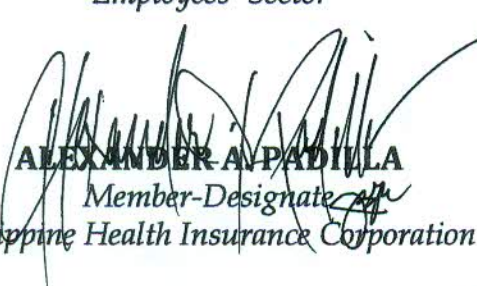


  
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