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Department of Health
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

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TO: ALL DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH REGIONAL OFFICE DIRECTORS, SECRETARY OF HEALTH AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, AND DIRECTORS OF HOSPITALS WITH PROGRAMMATIC MANAGEMENT OF DRUG-RESISTANT TUBERCULOSIS (PMDT) TREATMENT FACILITIES

SUBJECT: SUBMISSION OF NATIONAL TUBERCULOSIS CONTROL PROGRAM (NTP) REPORTS USING INTEGRATED TB INFORMATION SYSTEM (ITIS) FOR PMDT TREATMENT FACILITIES

DATE: JUNE 1, 2015

In November 2014, the Green Light Committee (GLC) visited the country to assess the status of Programmatic Management of Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis (PMDT) implementation. One of the recommendations for data management is to replace the paper-based system of reporting with electronic-based. In order to achieve this, improvement in the structural needs of the treatment facilities must be addressed as common limitations including intermittent internet connectivity.

To date, NTP together with the Principal recipient for Global Fund, Philippine Business for Social Progress (PBSP), has made efforts to address the needs continuously by providing full-time staff, computer and internet connection. As such, starting July 2015, NTP will no longer be collecting reports through excel or other formats for all PMDT Treatment Facilities but instead reports will be generated thru ITIS.

With this, all PMDT Treatment Facilities are expected to (a.) Ensure that all Presumptive DR-TB screened and DR-TB cases registered are encoded and validated in the ITIS Database; (b.) Ensure that Quarterly Reports generated through ITIS are updated and accurate; (c.) Inform Department of Health – Regional Office NTP Coordinators of the availability of reports in ITIS for review and validation, and lastly, to file a copy of generated report on their respective PMDT Treatment Facilities. Furthermore, the DOH-RO NTP Coordinators will update the NTP Management Office once ITIS reports have been validated and finalized.

For strict compliance.

By Authority of the Secretary of Health:


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