



Republic of the Philippines
 Department of Health
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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DEPARTMENT ORDER
 No. 2017 - 0233

SUBJECT: Guidelines on the Sub-allotment and Utilization of Funds from the National TB Control Program to the Philippine Orthopedic Center

I. RATIONALE

As stipulated in Section 7 of Republic Act No. 10767 “*Comprehensive TB Elimination Plan Act of 2016*”, the Department of Health (DOH) is mandated to strengthen the DOH Regional Offices in the provision of free laboratory services through the DOH-retained Hospitals to eliminate TB. The country has also committed to support the goals of the Global End TB strategy that no TB affected families will be facing catastrophic cost due to TB. Cognizant of these mandates and commitments, the DOH through the Disease Prevention and Control Bureau will sub-allot additional funds to Philippine Orthopedic Center to enable them to provide free TB diagnostic and laboratory services to presumptive TB and diagnosed drug susceptible and drug resistant TB cases. Aside from this, as the premier hospital where extra pulmonary TB (EP TB) cases are referred, additional funding is provided to facilitate the detection of more EP TB cases which is one of the challenges of the Program based on the findings during the 2016 Joint Program Review.

II. OBJECTIVE

To provide guidelines in the allocation and utilization of sub-allotted funds to the Philippine Orthopedic Center.

III. GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. Funds from GAA 2016 National Tuberculosis Control Program budget Line Item in the amount of Two Million Pesos only (Php2,000,000.00) shall be sub-allotted to the Philippine Orthopedic Center.

IV. SPECIFIC GUIDELINES

1. Funds transferred shall be used for the provision of the following TB diagnostic and laboratory services for **FREE**:

| Examination | Presumptive TB and TB Cases (Drug susceptible and drug resistant) |
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| Direct Sputum Smear Examination | ✓ |
| Chest X-ray – PA view and 1 additional view as needed | ✓ |
| Blood chemistry as baseline examinations done prior to TB treatment | ✓ |

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| - Fasting blood sugar (FBS) | ✓ |
| - Blood Urea Nitrogen (BUN) | ✓ |
| - Creatinine | ✓ |
| - Blood Uric Acid (BUA) | ✓ |
| - Serum glutamic pyruvic transaminase (SGPT) | ✓ |
| - Serum glutamic oxaloacetic transaminase (SGOT) | ✓ |
| - Potassium | ✓ |
| - Calcium | ✓ |
| - Magnesium | ✓ |
| - Thyroid Stimulating Hormone (TSH) | ✓ |
| - Complete Blood Count (CBC) | ✓ |
| Pregnancy Test | ✓ |
| Electrocardiography (ECG) | ✓ |
| Audiometry (if available) | ✓ |
| HIV Testing | ✓ |
| CT Scan | ✓ |
| MRI | ✓ |
| Biopsy | ✓ |

2. The sub-allotted amount is classified as MOOE and should be utilized by December 31, 2017;
3. Any excess funds shall be used for priority activities of the Philippine Health Agenda (PHA).

V. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE RECEIVING AGENCY

1. The Philippine Orthopedic Center shall ensure the submission of list of clients identified to have presumptive TB based on Chest Xray, CT Scan, MRI and biopsy to the NCR Regional Medical NTP Coordinator quarterly, copy furnished the Hospital TB Team of the DOTS clinic.
2. The Philippine Orthopedic Center shall also ensure submission of fund utilization report (FUR) quarterly, certified correct by the accountant and submitted to the Financial Management Service, Department of Health copy furnish the Disease Prevention and Control Bureau - National Tuberculosis Control Program. These reports shall be the basis for future sub-allotment to the hospital for TB control activities.
3. All expenses are subject to usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

VI. EFFECTIVITY

This Order shall take effect immediately.

By Authority of the Secretary of Health:

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