#### THE PHILIPPINE RESPONSE TO PROMOTING THE RATIONAL USE OF MEDICINES

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# What is Universal Health Care?

**Universal Health Care (UHC)** is the Aquino administration's health agenda to ensure that Filipinos, particularly the poor, are:

Able to use quality health services at affordable cost, by being enrolled in the National Health Insurance Program

Cared for in modern health care facilities

Prevented from falling ill by using preventive and promotive health care goods and services services to improve health outcomes and attain health-related MDGs;

UHC implementation will initially focus on the poor (Phase 1) and progressively include all sectors (Phase 2), both formal and informal.

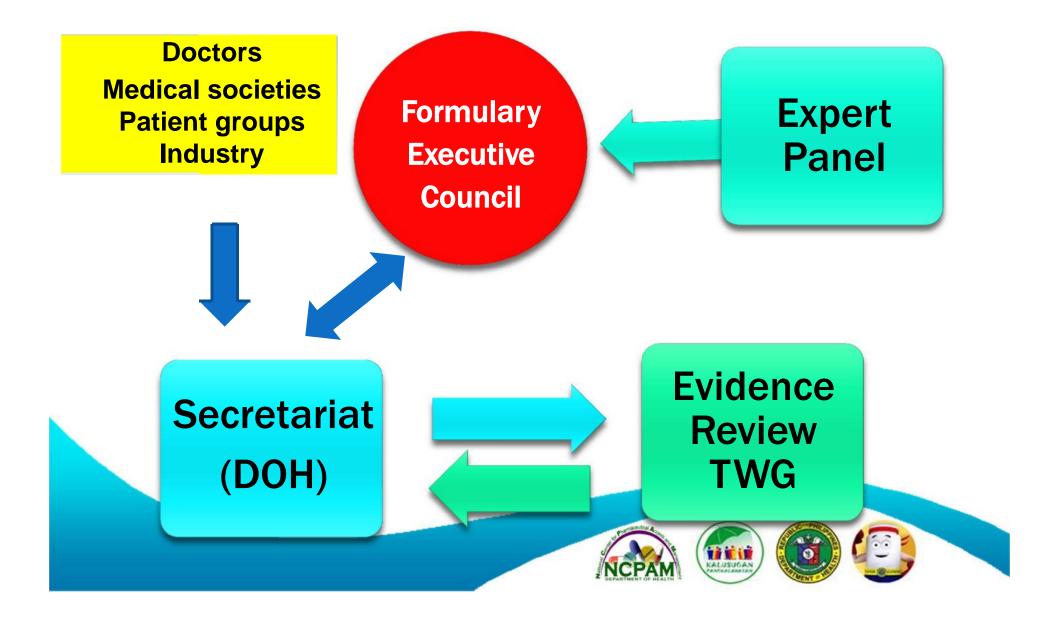
## THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL FORMULARY

- "Essential medicines are those that satisfy the priority health care needs of the population."
  - \* Public health relevance
  - \* Efficacy and safety
  - \* Comparative cost-effectiveness
  - \* Availability & affordability
  - \* Equity / Ethics
  - \* Sustainability
  - \* Local context



- The Selection and Use of Essential Medicines. Report of the WHO Expert Committee, 2002. WHO Technical Report Series No. 914.

#### **PNF: GOVERNANCE AND PROCESS FLOWS**



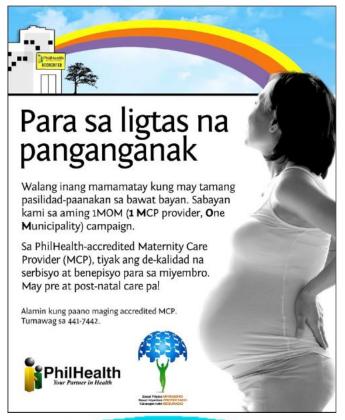
### **Promoting quality through PhilHealth benefits**

**TB DOTS package** 



Source: TDF

Maternity care package



Source: PhilHealth

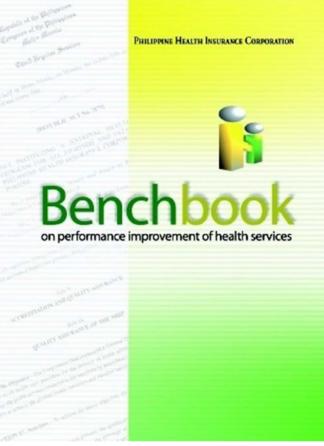






### **Promoting quality of care through** the PhilHealth Benchbook

- In 2001, PhilHealth developed the Benchbook on Quality Assurance which introduces process and outcomefocused standards of accreditation.
- Focuses on safety, effectiveness and appropriateness of health care, consumer participation, access to services, and efficiency of service provision.
- Quality improvement in PhilHealth accredited hospitals is associated with the implementation of Benchbook standards



#### HTA as a tool to drive quality: The PhilHealth CPGs

- Community Acquired Pneumonia
- Acute Appendicitis
- Hypertension
- Dyspepsia
- Acute Bronchitis
- Adult Asthma
- Urinary Tract Infection
- Acute Gastroenteritis
- Maternity Care

Measures of compliance to PhilHealth CPGs are linked to claims payment.



PhilHealth Use of CPGs for Quality Assurance and Accreditation

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#### **BUILDING HTA SYSTEMS THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS**



