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Department of Health
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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

No. ~~2019-~~ 2014-0045-A
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SUBJECT: Amendment to Administrative Order No. 2014-0045: Guidelines on the Implementation of the Expanded Newborn Screening Program

Pursuant to Section 11 of Republic Act No. 9288, otherwise known as the Newborn Screening Act of 2004, the Advisory Committee on Newborn Screening (ACNBS) shall review and recommend the newborn screening (NBS) fee to be charged by the Newborn Screening Center (NSCs) in order to ensure that NBS will be accessible to all newborns.

During the meeting of the ACNBS held last 04 October 2018, the price adjustment in the expanded newborn screening (ENBS) fee of One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Pesos (Php1,750.00) has been approved. The said price will apply to all new NBS filter cards purchased from the NSCs upon effectivity of this Order. In view of this, the following provision of Administrative Order No. 2014-0045 dated November 19, 2014 is hereby amended:

FROM:

VI. Specific Guidelines/Implementing Mechanism

D. Budget Source

1. The NBS Fee

a. The cost of the tests shall be as follows (*Per recommendation of the ACNBS on August 19, 2012*):

Option 1 (6 disorders) - Php550.00

Option 2 (expanded newborn screening) - Php1,500.00.

b. For PhilHealth members, P550 shall be covered by PhilHealth.

For Option 1 (6 disorders), the total cost shall be covered.

For Option 2 (expanded NBS), only Php 550.00 shall be covered by PhilHealth and the balance shall be an out-of-pocket expense of the family.

TO:

VI. Specific Guidelines/Implementing Mechanism

D. Budget Source

1. The NBS Fee

a. The cost of the tests shall be as follows (*Per recommendation of the ACNBS on October 04, 2018*):

Option 1 (6 disorders) - Php550.00

Option 2 (Expanded Newborn Screening) - Php1,750.00.

b. For PhilHealth members, the total cost shall be covered by PhilHealth (*Per PhilHealth Circular 2018-0021 on Enhancement of Newborn Care Package*):

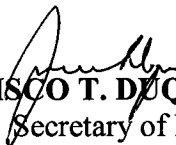
Option 1 (6 disorders) - Php 550.00

Option 2 (Expanded Newborn Screening) – Php 1750.00

Option 1 (6 disorders) shall be offered until April 30, 2019 only. Effective May 1, 2019, all infants born in accredited facilities shall be tested for expanded newborn screening panel (Option 2) only.

As thus amended, all other provisions of Administrative Order No. 2014-0045 shall remain in full force and in effect.

This order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in the official gazette or newspaper of general publication.


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