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Llamas Inducted PMA President



Dr. Modesto O. Llamas inducted as PMA President for 2012-2013 by Dr. James G. Dy (left). Standing as witnesses are the family of Dr. Llamas, Marvyn, Christine Rose, Mody Jr., Atty. Betty, Justice Linda, William, Susan, Thelma, Anthony and also Former Past President Dr. Nenita C. Lee Tan.

Dr. Modesto O. Llamas was inducted as the president of the Philippine Medical Association for the fiscal year 2012-2013 by Dr. James G. Dy during the closing ceremonies of the 105th PMA Annual Convention last May 18 at EDSA Shangrila Hotel.

Dr. Llamas is assuming the presidency of the Association for the fourth time. He first became the president in 1997. He won his bid for re-election the following fiscal year. It was during this term that PMA received for the first time the much coveted award as the Most Outstanding Professional Organization given

by the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC). The said award is given annually by the Commission to the professional organization that has shown outstanding leadership to its members that has led to the creation of programs that promote excellence and competency in their field of expertise and responsible community leaders. As proof of the members' belief in his leadership excellence, he won again the presidency and led the PMA for the third time in 2005.

In his inaugural address, Dr. Llamas reiterated his campaign pledge to serve the Association and

its members. He stressed that the new PMA Leadership will be open, honest and sincere in its every word with transparency and member awareness of its every action as the order of the day.

Among the programs he plans to implement are: (1) improved information dissemination to the members; (2) better and more harmonious relationship between PMA and the various government and non-government entities such as DOH, PhilHealth, BIR, PRC, DILG, Congress, Senate, and hospital associations; (3) complete computerization of the PMA to incorporate PRC Licensure, membership dues, CME units and PhilHealth Accreditation; (4) expansion and improvement of the services of the Doctors' Inn to better serve the members and the Indigency Center to better serve its clients; (5) renewal and reactivation of the Memorandum of Agreement with institutions and organizations like GMA7 and ABS CBN for medical mission and medical assistance during disasters, and Adboard and KBP for drug commercials; and (6) financial stability of the PMA.

The induction was witnessed by the family of Dr. Llamas.

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Philhealth requires PMA Membership

The Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) has appointed the Philippine Medical Association (PMA) to register physicians for PhilHealth accreditation as a professional health care provider thus, membership to the PMA thru its component societies will be required for the PhilHealth accreditation effective July 1, 2012.

The appointment is in recognition of the PMA as the national association of providers for physicians and is contained in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed

May 14, 2012. The MOU further states that PhilHealth shall follow the PMA classification or categorization based on the member's specialty or subspecialty, certification, training and experience.

The MOU requires the physician to be a PMA member in good standing and to have active, continuous and updated PhilHealth membership. It also directs the PMA to collect the PhilHealth participation fee of five hundred pesos (P 500.00) per year per member which the former will remit ASAP to the latter.

PMA to renew SEC Registration

The resolution to extend the corporate existence of the PMA for another 50 years was unanimously approved by the 2011-2012 Philippine Medical Association Board of Governors. PMA's corporate life expires in 2013. It likewise approved to amend the corporate address of the Association from Manila to Quezon City.

The Corporation Code of the Philippines requires that any extension must be done through an amendment of the Articles of Incorporation and must be approved by majority of the members.

To comply with the requirement, the members are being requested to signify their approval by signing the form released by the PMA thru the Component Societies. Those who have not yet signed the form when it was first released during the last quarter of the fiscal year 2011-2012 are enjoined to do so as soon as possible. The signed form should be submitted to the PMA Secretariat on or before September 15, 2012. The National Officers and Board of Governors are seeking the cooperation of all members for this endeavour.

**Balik PMA Pogran Extended until
September 30, 2012**

(see kape kaperahan page 8)

For the new **PMA ID Card**, Please fill up
Membership form and submit to your
component society

The President Speaks

MODESTO O. LLAMAS M.D.
President



My warmest greetings to all our dear colleagues, and my gratitude to all my friends and everyone who trusted me and helped me in the last PMA election. The victory belongs properly to the members of the Philippine Medical Association. And, I offered it to my dearest departed father, upon whose tomb I vowed to win the election and to serve the members, the PMA, and medical profession.

Our members had entrusted to me the 4th term as PMA president, maybe because they believed and they wanted me to accomplish that important mission for the medical profession: uniting all the members of the profession into one unified, solid and strong organization that will be in a stronger position to uphold the rights of the physicians and the medical profession. This dream has eluded us for so long, let no one dare to derail it nor take that away from us!

The unification process will not be easy! Fortunately, recent developments are on our side. The requirements of Philhealth and the Professional Regulation Commission – Board of Medicine (PRC – BOM) for PMA membership for those seeking Philhealth accreditation, and licensure

registration, respectively, have enhanced and made our job easier. Add to this the Physicians' Act of 2012 which is pending in congress and with a good chance of being approved in the next few months. The bill has a provisions on integration of the medical profession, requiring membership in the integrated accredited professional organization which currently is the PMA. The authorities entrusted to PMA by Philhealth and PRC are no easy job either, though a tedious undertaking, we recognize the opportunity and will certainly live up to the challenges.

With or without the integration law, the key to a real long lasting unification is making our PMA more relevant to the members, the feeling of belonging and the glory of being a part of the PMA. My dear colleagues, this is our responsibility as your PMA officers which we will pursue relentlessly.

We humbly request our colleagues to join us in our journey to change the PMA, to improve the PMA, making it truly relevant to all the members and the societies within the PMA organization, and to our people and the nation as a whole.

In carrying out this herculean task, a team of committed, selfless, and indefatigable men and women of probity will be extremely indispensable. To this day, I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to the following who have demonstrated extraordinary devotion to the PMA: the Secretary General, Dr. Marianne Dobles; the PMA Treasurer, Dr. Albert C. Guevarra; PMA Past President, Dr. Nenita Lee Tan; Committee on Finance Chair, Dr. Susie Yanga; Chair of the External Affairs, Dr. Andres Reyes; Past Presidents, Drs. Santiago del Rosario, Rey Melchor Santos who is handling the Philhealth affairs, Jojo Sabili, Gil Fernandez; Chair of the Commission on Ethics, Dr. Nimfa Baria; most of the Governors whom I will acknowledge at the proper time, and all the Chairs of our Commissions and Committees who were properly selected.

Concerns with Ethics, plight of the government physicians continuing education and improvement of competence of the non-specialists by the specialty and subspecialty societies, disaster response, will be part of our priority programs.

PMA Governance as I envisioned it:

1. Officers – Should be selected properly.

Virtues of officers

- a. Committed and responsible
- b. Loyal to the PMA and to the members
- c. Honorable
- d. Honest
- e. Ethical and with high moral values
- f. Righteous
- g. Approachable and accessible, not dictating nor Lording over members.

2. All actions of the officers and the Board should be transparent, dictated by the interests of the PMA and members.

3. Priority programs will be the unification of the association and more benefits to the members. Morality and ethics will be emphasized.

4. All Committees will be motivated to focus on their responsibilities.

5. Committees will be clustered, if convenient. PMA Governor will act as the Committee Executive Officer (CEO). Committee Chairman will be the Committee Operating Officer (COO).

6. The Treasurer will be designated to focus on the finance, membership dues, close coordination with the chairman of Committees on membership, budget and COA.

7. The Secretary-General will be designated to focus on the BIR concerns.

8. In all matters, the president will take an active role.

9. The president will focus on the unification of the association.

10. There will be free and fast communication with the members and the component societies.

11. Members should be made aware of developments, activities and concerns. Newsletter should be well distributed to members.

12. Establish process of rapid consultation with the officers, governors and component societies on urgent matters.

13. All existing good projects will be continued and expanded-like the power card.

14. Decentralization of some authorities and responsibilities

to the component societies – Empowerment.

15. Proper accountability of all programs, finances.

16. A strong and active COA is important to safeguard the finances.

17. Appropriate disbursement of funds without compromising important programs and activities.

18. Every component society should have a secretariat that also serves as free clinic. PMA president and governors can help in soliciting donation of lot from the local government.

19. Improve relation with DOH, Philhealth, BIR, DILG and other government agencies.

20. Improve relation with congress and proper monitoring of bills being introduced.

21. The possibility of organizing a party list in partnership with other allied medical associations (too late for this coming election) for future elections will be studied.

22. Professional courtesy to our colleagues, their parents and dependent children should be required of every member.

23. Drafting of relevant health bills.

Our **Code of Ethics** stipulates that professional courtesy be extended to parents, spouse and dependent children of fellow doctors

MODESTO O. LLAMAS M.D.
President

EDITORIAL

A United PMA, Full Steam Ahead

MARIANNE O. DOBLES, M.D.
Editor-in-Chief



Weather forecast: After Rough Seas, Dark Clouds, and Stormy Winds, the outlook for the Philippine Medical Association is bright and sunny.

YES, it is full steam ahead for the PMA, with Dr. Modesto Llamas and his team at the helm. His goal: A strong, united, and respected PMA.

But while Dr. Llamas captains our ship, we will still all need to pull together, to propel towards the shore, and not go around in circles.

For its crew, the PMA will be needing volunteers- officers and members who are willing

and committed to work for the betterment of our association, to help in the promotion of the nation's health in partnership with other organizations and the government, and to share their knowledge with fellow doctors.

To steer the ship to shore, the support of each member for the platform and programs the PMA is advocating is vital. Geese fly together in unison, in a "V" formation to get to their destination quicker and more efficiently because they are traveling on the thrust of one another. Just like the geese, people who work together, supporting each other, and moving towards a common goal get to their destination swiftly.

Our programs in the PMA give us common, doable goals that we can all aim for. Just like the geese, if we all work together, if we all unite we can achieve these goals that we have set out for. We can do more than we would, had we worked alone. We would also feel a bond of unity and we would be invigorated every step of the way.

Henry Ford once said, "Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress, working together is success." Without doubt, when we work closely together, anything is possible. Together, we can sail forward and go the distance. Together, we can reach the shore. Land 'Ho!

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As I See It...

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PMA Secretary-General

The Newsletter "The Physician" shall be distributed quarterly to all members of the PMA through their component societies. There is a need for all members to be aware of all developments in the association.

The associate editors with their assignments are as follows:

1. News from the PMA will be handled by Ma. Corazon Maglaya MD, Albert Guevarra MD, Art Catli MD.
2. News from Specialties, Subspecialties, and Affiliate societies will be from Arnel Asino MD, Martini Ventura, MD, Gina Nazareth MD, and Minerva Calimag, MD.
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Although, these editors have their own assignments, any newsworthy articles may be submitted just as we invite the general membership to send and contribute news or any topic of concern from your respective regions.

There is a pressing need to update the membership list.

At present, the list of PMA members is already outdated. The total number of PMA members stands at 70,000. However, there are only 40,000 active members, which consist of the Emeritus members, Life members, as well as the regular members who are updated in their arrears and have attended the required CME.

The 30,000 who are inactive include not only those who have not updated their payment of the annual dues but also members who may have migrated to other countries, no longer practice the medical profession, may have gone to other fields of endeavor, or may have passed away. Not all beneficiaries of members avail of the death benefit. The PMA does not take out from the roster any member without due notification.

Much has to be done with the existing membership list. A new membership data form has to be completed by each member.

The information from this will update the members' database. This membership data form is available from the PMA, the component society and from the PMA website.

Another compelling reason to update the membership list is in response to President Benigno Aquino's Universal Healthcare Program for all Filipinos. The Philhealth shall cover not only the hospital-based doctors but also MD's who treat outpatients.

The PMA exhorts all Component Medical Societies to update their lists. Efforts should be exerted to locate all doctors who are in the inactive list in your area. This updated list would be very helpful in disaster-stricken areas in order to know the manpower availability in the said area.

The MOU executed between the PMA and the Philhealth last May 16 2012, authorizes the PMA to collect the Philhealth dues from each physician who will be the health provider. This means that a physician should be a PMA member in good standing before the/she can be accredited with PhilHealth.

Reminders:

1. All component medical societies are requested to submit to the PMA before October 2012, signatures from your members, confirming the extension of PMA's

corporate life by another 50 years. As you know, the corporate life of the PMA will end by October 2013. We will need 2/3 votes of the active members to request the SEC for the said extension. Please consider this as a priority.

2. Also, the amendments, as approved by the last Board of Governors, to our Constitution and By-laws also need 2/3 votes of the general membership. Again, this is another priority.

All PMA members will be given permanent ID cards with magnetic strips containing the name, PRC, PMA numbers, medical society and other pertinent data.

In the PMA website, the member may be able to access his or her arrears, and may be used to record CPE units from the different CPE providers. Important data for PRC licensure is included. Each component medical society will be given a card reader so that CPE units may be transferred electronically to the member's database at PMA. Guidelines on the use of this ID card will be forthcoming.

The PMA Power Card, a discount as well as an income-generating card, for PMA members will be expanded. The cost of the card is still at Php 250

and renewable yearly. The sharing of the component medical society will be increased from Php 50 to Php 75 to increase incentives for the society. The local component society may retain their share of Php 75 and only the amount of Php 175 will be remitted to PMA. Our marketing arm has agreed to lower their share to Php 75. The funds may be used by the society for their activities.

Furthermore, we are requesting all societies to inform PMA of business establishments in your locality who are willing to provide discounts to PMA Power Card holder. We can then ask our Marketing Arm to work out a MOA with these establishments. PMA is also inviting our doctors who own business establishments to join the power card discount scheme.

The PMA Power Card website will be linked to our website so that all members may access business establishments, which are included in the list.

Since June 1, 2012, there has been a flurry of activities, interspersed with inductions of medical societies. Several commissions and committees have started meetings. An Adhoc committee created for the categorization of physicians under

Dr. Rey Melchor Santos has had a number of meetings. The needs of every doctor are being looked into with the end view of uniting all physicians. The commission on CME has started outlining guidelines for the implementation of the CPE units for PRC licensure. Other committees that have started work are the Committee on Special Projects under Dr. Nenita Lee Tan, Committee on Budget and Finance under Dr. Josefa Yanga, while other committees have scheduled their initial meetings.

The president, Dr. Modesto O. Llamas is in the process of instituting programs for the betterment of the PMA. We wish him well and we will gladly help in every way we can!



Kape Kaperahan

BY ALBERT C. GUEVARRA, M.D.
PMA National Treasurer

• “Balik PMA Program” (MC 2012-0611-005)

Good news dear Colleagues! The “Balik PMA Program is extended until **SEPTEMBER 30, 2012.**

During the first PMA Board of Governors meeting last June 10, 2012 it was unanimously approved by the present Board to extend the program. This program started during the last fiscal year 2011-2012, approved during the 10th Board of Governors meeting, March 03, 2012, at Tagbilaran City, Bohol. The program is for the inactive and delinquent PMA members. This will pave the way for them to become active members of the Association and as a pre requisite for Philhealth accreditation as healthcare provider. Initially, the program will run up to May 31, 2012 only, however, for the 3 month period (March – May 2012) only a small number of Physicians have availed. So we are encouraging all Component Societies, Specialty Divisions and Specialty Societies including the Affiliate Societies to inform your inactive members

with arrears to the PMA & Component Societies to grab this opportunity.

The System of payment will be the following:

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Regular PMA member and Regular Component Society member with arrears: pay Php3,000.00 (Php2,000.00 goes to the PMA, Php1,000.00 goes to the Component Society) plus the current year membership dues (2012-2013) Php1,200.00 to the PMA and current membership dues to the Component Society.

- Life member to the PMA but Regular Component Society member with arrears : pay Php1,000.00 plus the current year membership due (2012-2013) to the Component Society.

• PMA Annual membership dues: (MC 2012-0608-004)

Dear Colleagues, please be informed of the new PMA annual membership due, Php1,200.00 which started June 01, 2012. The increase in the membership dues was approved

by the Board of Governors last March 03, 2012 and subsequently ratified by the 17th General Assembly last May 17, 2012.

• Special Assessment Php100.00

We are reminding our Regular and Life members who have not paid the special assessment fee for the PMA Computerization Program, please go to your Component Society's office or to the PMA office and pay the special assessment fee of Php100.00.

• Attendance to the 105th PMA Annual Convention

I am happy to announce, as the overall Chairman of the just concluded 105th PMA Annual Convention and Scientific meeting and the 15th MASEAN Conference last May 15 – 18, 2012 at EDSA Shangri-la Hotel, Mandaluyong City, the total attendees or delegates is 2,865.

The PMA Power Card is the Philippine Medical Association's Identification and Membership Card which is also a Discount Card on all PMA accredited business establishments. The card is renewable every year with a fee of P250 only.



Basic Features of the card:

- Complimentary P10,000 Life & Accidental Death and Disability Insurance from Sunlife of Canada.

Available to all medical doctors who would avail of the PMA Power Card. To cover, one must fill out application form provided on www.pmapowercard.com or through exhibits initiated nationwide. Coverage is good for one year from date of application. Tel No: Sec of Sunlife Eucalyptus BDO 09228028787

• A Discount Card

The roster of establishments, provided by GOT-IT-ALL CARD Marketing, is represented by the following industries nationwide:

- Hotels and resorts, restaurants, car companies, real estate, print media, air /sea / land transportation, constructions and builders centers, nutritional supplements, wellness, gasoline station, entertainment and leisure, various shops and services, appliance center, furniture and other home furnishings, insurance companies, drugstores and pharmaceuticals.

The PMA Power Card

Business establishments accredited with PMA Power Card (list found on "Discount Card" menu

found at www.pmapowercard.com, tel no: 697 4134/ 0922 851 8567 or 68)

• Number Coding Exemption

Our card was **ACCEPTED BY THE MMMA FOR EXEMPTION TO THE NUMBER CODING SYSTEM.**

(Ref: PMA Memorandum Circular dated Nov. 22, 2010)

• Entitlement to own a PMA Metrobank Card with the following basic features:

- Lifetime free annual fees
 - Personal loan feature at special low rates
 - Simplified requirements and has no joining fee
 - Special welcome gift for newly approved cardholders
- Tel no: Metrobank Toll Free Hotline 8700 700

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- Travel Lite Family Day discount- 5% on regular items .

Off-airport stores in Duty Free Fiestamall, Waterfront Hotel Lahug & SM Cebu Northwing during Family Days. (pls see schedule of family day in PMA Power Card web pages in PMA website)

-Travel Lite Card Program - 7% off on regular items when Travel Lite Card Members shop before departure and claim items upon return at DFP airport departure stores in NAIA T1, T2, T3 and Mactan Cebu International Airport.

(Note: Under this program, the member should present travel documents. The special privilege of PMA Power Card member is the entitlement of 7% off.)

- Priority notice on special promotions and events (e.g. Peso Power Sale)

- Card is valid for 5 years from date of issue.

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PMA Kicks Off With Its Annual Leadership Seminar

Attention! All newly installed Component Society Presidents and Secretaries; Specialty Society Officers are advised to take note and block off in your Calendars the following schedules of the PMA Leadership and Orientation Seminars for your reference.

Regardless of whether you have already attended the activity in the past, it is part of our collective duty and responsibility to proudly represent your society in the forum and manifest our

camaraderie and oneness as a united Professional Organization.

It is also an opportunity to be advised and updated of current developments, activities and undertakings of the Association that have significant impact to your society, our colleagues and the Medical Profession. Equally, this is a chance to engage and clarify society concerns with the new PMA National Officers.

Be there, or be square! See you all at the Seminar!

Date	Regions	Venue
June 30, 2012	NCR, Bicol, Southern Tagalog, Specialty Societies/ Divisions,	Bayanihan Center - UNILAB
July 21, 2012	Central/ Northeastern/ Northwestern Luzon	Baguio Country Club, Baguio City
July 28, 2012	Visayas and Mindanao	Quest Hotel, Cebu City

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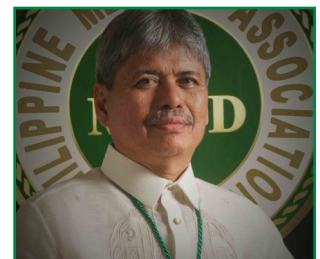
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Unlad Karunungan

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CME Commission mandate involves:

1) PMA Code, article VII, section 3 that states – The underlying principle is that **Medicine is a lifelong study**, the physician owes it to himself and to his patients to continue studying Medicine during his entire professional life.

2) Board of Medicine Resolution 2010 :

1. Declares Residency Training is Practice of Medicine and has Deputized PMA to oversee Residency Training as authorized by Specialty Divisions, DOH & the Academe

2. Certificate of Specialization with PRC, PMA, + logos

3) PRC deputized PMA to:

- i. Accredited ALL CPE Provider
- ii. Certify CPE credits earned by MDs
- iii. Submit PMA members list for License Renewal by July 31, 2012

4) PhilHealth Utilize PMA Member Classification:

i. GP, Specialist, Sub-specialist Categories

5) Second Opinion Multi-sector Panel

- a. 8 Specialty Divisions Heads
- b. 2 Component Governors (17 Regions, 118 Components)
- c. 2 Affiliate Societies Heads (37 Societies)
- d. PASOO/Pain Society
- e. Unilab, Pfizer, Glaxo & Astra (PCPM: 31 Industries)
- f. DOH Representative (Gov't Hosp.: 1,115)
- g. PHAP Head (1850 members, 482 Private Hospitals)
- h. APMC Head (38 Medical Colleges)
- i. Phil Acad. Military Surgeons Head (38 Military Hospitals)
- j. Chair, PMA Committee of Specialty Societies
- k. Chair, PMA Committee on Ethics

Fiscal year 2011- 2012 Accomplishments:

1) PRC approved Coded CPE providers

a. SPECIALTY DIVISIONS
7/8 87.5%

b. Specialty Societies
28/70 40.0%

c. Affiliate Societies
7/37 19.0%

d. Other Societies
15

e. Hospitals
5/482 1.0%

f. Medical Schools
6/38 15.7%

2) Multi-sector CME Convention Themes

a. 2006 "SHARING BEST PRACTICES WITH PERFORMANCE MEASURE"

b. 2007 "PMA AY ISANG PAMILYA"

c. 2008 "Clinical Practice Options & Convictions".

d. 2009 "Taking Care of our Patients: Different Ages, Different Stages"

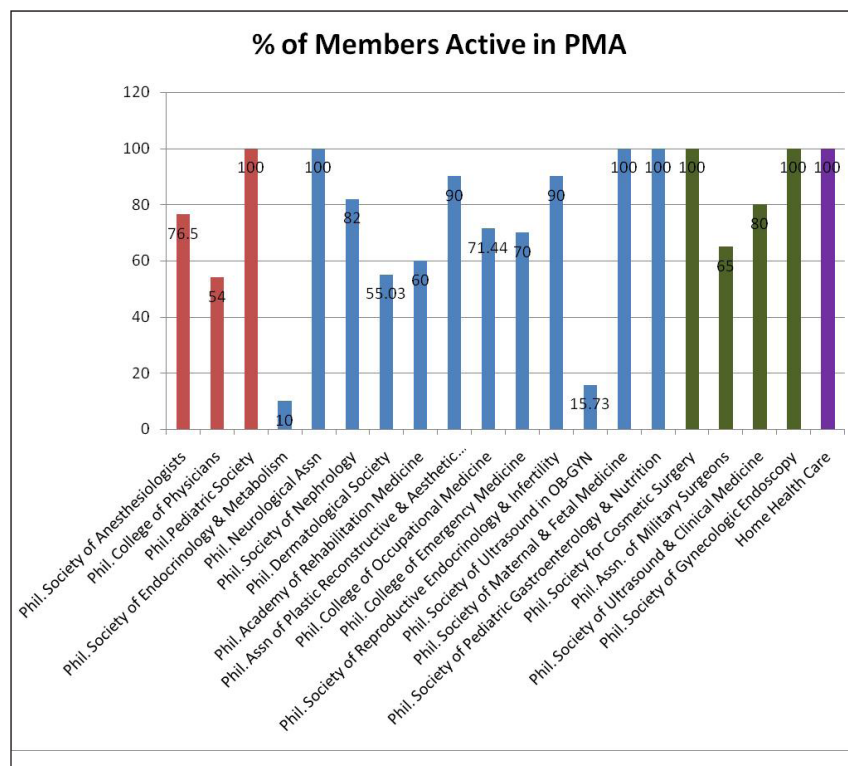
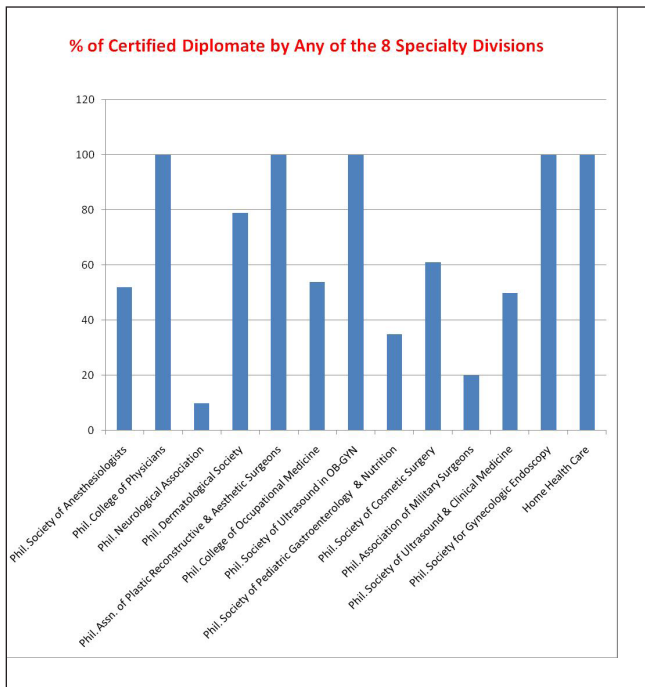
e. 2010 "Medico-legal Implications of Guidelines Compliance"

f. 2011 "Physicians For Health, Health For Physicians"

g. 2012 "Eminence or Evidence Based Clinical Practice"

h. 2013 "Developmental Integrated Risks" (proposed)

3) Professional Growth Indicators



Looking Forward to 2012-2013

- 1) Focus: Highlight Unification
 - a. Regional & National Scientific Meetings
 - b. APMC, DOH, Specialties, Pharma, RN, DDM, Nutritionist
 - c. Scientific Sessions
 - d. APMC : Quality Service CPC
 - e. Singapore Format
 - f. Fellows / Residents Lead Presentors
 - g. DOH / Specialties
 - h. Posters Interactive Sessions
 - i. Multi-sector Cases Discussions
 - j. Lay Fora: "Seeing the Light"
 - k. CEOs- Civic Groups, Industry, Gov't Agencies, Media

Membership Benefits

- CPE Providers with PRC Code
- CPE Sessions with either Specialties &/or Component Societies
- Participations of Stakeholders in CME activities
- Peer Review Board:Quality Assurance"
- Each Hospital, Medcial Societies

- Medico Legal Support
- Medical Consensus to help Government agencies regarding "medical Excuses" cases
- On-line CME
- Computerized CPE credits earned
- 70% National/Regional CME
- 30% Specialty CME

Request for Governors, Specialty Divisions, Specialty and Affiliate Societies DOH and APMC to submit to CME Commission by August 31, 2012

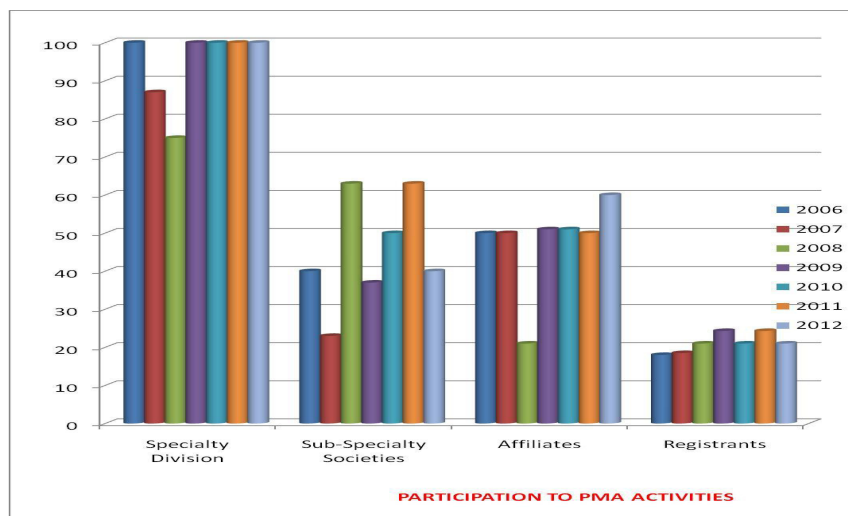
- Organization Yearly Report
- List of Active Members with Complied 100 CPE units for PRC endorsement for Professional License to practice for 3 years.
 - PRC deadline October, 2012
 - PMA deadline August 31, 2012
 - % Active PMA Membership
 - % Academic profile
 - % Administrative profile
 - % Members w/ Researches (Published &/or Presented)
 - % International Affiliations & Involvements

- % CME activities 2012
- No. Regular yearly/ Special/ On-line CME activities
- No. Joint CME: Annual &/or Regional PMA, Component, - International or Joint ventures
- Member Listing with at least 100 PRC-CPE earned for 2011
- Advocacies, Projects, Community Services
- **Per CME rules for Rural MDs (PMA-CME Code III-39)**
- Please supply data as guide to CPE On-line credits to be earned**

- 1- Internet Network accesability area of practice
- 2- Inability to meet as as a group
- 3- Professional duties hinder CME attendance
- 4- Locale economic limitations
- 5- Peace & order concerns
- 6- Transportation Issues
- 7- Members' List with > 100 PRC – CPE units for 2011

PRC Approved CPE Providers as of June 30, 2012

Philippine Medical Association
University of the Philippines
(College of Medicine)
Dementia Society of the Philippines
Diabetes Philippines, Inc.
Pain Society of the Philippines
Pediatric Infectious Disease Society of the Philippines
Perinatal Association of the Philippines, Inc.
Philippine Academy of Family Physician
Philippine Academy of Rehabilitation Medicine
Philippine Ambulatory Pediatrics Association, Inc.



Philippine Association of
 Laparoscopic & Endoscopic
 Surgeons
 Philippine College of Emergency
 Medicine
 Philippine College of
 Occupational Medicine, Inc.
 Philippine College of Physicians
 Philippine Dermatological Society
 Philippine Neurological
 Association
 Philippine Obstetrical and
 Gynecological Society
 (Foundation) Inc.
 Philippine Pediatric Society, Inc.
 Philippine Psychiatric Association
 Philippine Rheumatology
 Association, Inc.
 Philippine Society of
 Diabetologists
 Philippine Society of
 Endocrinology & Metabolism
 Philippine Society of General
 Surgeons, Inc.
 Philippine Society of Maternal &
 Fetal Medicine
 Philippine Society of Medical
 Oncology
 Philippine Society of
 Microbiology and Infectious
 Disease, Inc.
 Philippine Society of Newborn
 Medicine, Inc.
 Philippine Society of Nephrology
 Philippine Society of
 Otolaryngology-Head and Neck
 Surgery, Inc.
 Philippine Society for Parenteral
 and Enteral Nutrition (PHILSPEN)
 Philippine Society for Pediatric
 Gastroenterology, Hepatology &
 Nutrition
 Philippine Society of Ultrasound
 in Clinical Medicine, Inc.
 Philippine Society of Pathologists, Inc.
 Philippine Society of Ultrasound

in Obstetrics and Gynecology
 (PSUOG)
 Private Hospital Association of the
 Phils., Inc.
 Philippine Society of
 Anesthesiologists
 Philippine College of Radiology
 Medical Staff of Olongapo
 - Consultant's Assistance
 Rehabilitation Endeavor
 Philippine Society of
 Cardiovascular Catheterization
 and Interventions
 University of Santo Tomas (Faculty
 of Medicine & Surgery)
 Lung Center of the Philippines
 Physicians Association
 Philippine Thyroid Association,
 Inc.
 CTMRI Society of the Philippines
 Delos Santos-STI Medical Center
 Far Eastern University-NRMF
 Foundation, Inc.
 Metropolitan Medical Center
 Philippine Lipid and
 Atherosclerosis Society
 Philippine Society of Allergy,
 Asthma and Immunology
 Philippine Society of Hematology
 and Blood Transfusion
 Philippine Society of
 Hypertension
 Philippine Society of Pediatric
 Cardiology
 St. Lukes Medical Center
 Ultrasound Society of the
 Philippines
 Philippine Society of
 Echocardiography, Inc.
 Philippine Wound Care Society
 Foundation for Reproductive Care,
 Inc.
 Philippine Society of Oncology, Inc.
 Manila Central University Medical
 Foundation
 Disability First Foundation, Inc.

Core for Pediatric Resident
 Training and Research, Inc.
 (CMCDP)
 Philippine Academy of Pediatric
 Pulmonologists, Inc.
 United Doctors Medical
 Center(Dept. Of Obstetrics and
 Gynecology)
 Calamba Doctors Hospital
 Philippine Heart Association
 De La Salle Health Sciences
 Institute College of Medicine
 Philippine Society for Cosmetic
 Surgery, Inc.
 Healthcore Research,
 Communication and
 Management, Inc.
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The outstanding Physicians in Community service search 2012 (TOPICS)

The Outstanding Physicians in Community Service Awards, known as TOPICS Awards, are given to exemplary physicians in recognition of their efforts in the field of community service over and above their professional duties.

Herminia A. Lorenzo, APMA President announced that the TOPICS Awards are given annually since it was launched on September 27, 1982 to highlight the celebration of the National Physicians' Day every September 27 of each year. Chair for National Physicians' Day for this year is Joel A. Torregoza, APMA director. The TOPICS awards are given under the auspices of the Auxiliary to the Philippine Medical Association, Inc. (APMA) thru its TOPICS Awards Committee for this year, chaired by APMA PRO, Elvira N. Estuita, R.N.. Nominations for the TOPICS Awards shall be open to all duly licensed physicians practicing in the Philippines. Nominations forms/Albums are to be mailed or submitted to the Chairman of TOPICS Awards Committee, to the APMA President, or to any APMA authorized Person. Nomination forms criteria lists & requirements can be requested/obtained from:

TOPICS Chairperson : Elvira N. Estuita, R.N. ; mobile no: 0917 533 8890 ; email: elvienst@me.com
APMA President : Herminia A. Lorenzo, R.N. ; mobile no. 0917 890-1009
Or thru PMA c/o Ms. Neneth ; tel. no. 9296366/6962447 ; email: philmedas@yahoo.com

2012 -2013 PMA Commissions and Committees

BY ARTHUR T. CATLI, M.D.

President Dr. Modesto O. Llamas announces his choice team to lead the PMA Commissions and Committees under his administration. Dr. Llamas emphasized the importance of matching the right person to ensure efficiency in attaining the optimum output to which the Commissions/ Committees were created to achieve, and this is to provide the best service to all PMA members.

We extend our congratulations to the appointees and wish them and their respective posts success and all the best!

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Nimfa R. Baria, M.D.

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CONTINUING MEDICAL
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LABORATORIES
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AND ECOLOGY
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Carlito P. Pajarillo, M.D.

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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
Jose Asa Sabili, M.D.

Specialty Divisions and Specialty Societies 2012

BY ARNEL M. ASINO, MD,
DPBA

The following are the recognized lead specialty societies of the eight (8) divisions. Currently, they are headed by eight great personalities in the medical profession who project superior confidence and character. They have exceptional leadership qualities with profound courage to execute the right values in action!

8 Specialty Division Presidents



	Philippine Obstetrical and Gynecological Society Rey H. Delos Reyes, MD
	Philippine College of Physicians Oscar T. Cabahug, MD
	Philippine College of Surgeons Maximo H. Simbulan, MD
	Philippine Society of Pathologists John A. Coloma, MD
	Philippine Society of Anesthesiologists Grace Anne B. Herbosa, MD
	Philippine College of Radiology Danilo R. Sacdalan, MD
	Philippine Academy of Family Physicians Christine Serrano-Tinio, MD
	Philippine Pediatric Society Melinda M. Atienza, MD

Specialty Societies 2012-2013

PHILIPPINE SOCIETY OF ANESTHESIOLOGISTS

Philippine Society of Cardiovascular Anesthesiologists, Inc.
Society of Obstetric Anesthesia of the Philippines
Philippine Society of Pediatric Anesthesiologists
Society for Neuroanesthesiologists of the Philippines

PHILIPPINE COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS

Philippine Heart Association
Philippine College of Chest Physicians
Philippine Society of Gastroenterology
Philippine Society of Microbiology and Infectious Diseases
Philippine Society for Hematology and Blood Transfusion
Philippine Society of Nephrology
Philippine Rheumatology Association
Philippine Society of Medical Oncology

Philippine Society of Allergy,
Asthma & Immunology, Inc.
Philippine Society of
Endocrinology & Metabolism
Philippine Society of Nuclear
Medicine
Philippine Neurological
Association
Diabetes Philippines
Philippine Dermatological Society
Philippine Psychiatric Association
Philippine College of Geriatric
Medicine
Philippine Academy of
Rehabilitation Medicine

PHILIPPINE COLLEGE OF SURGEONS

Philippine Society of General
Surgeons, Inc.
Philippine Orthopaedic
Association, Inc.
Philippine Urological Association
Philippine Society of
Otolaryngology Head and Neck
Surgery, Inc.
Philippine Society of Pediatric
Surgeons
Academy of Filipino
Neurosurgeons
Philippine Association of Thoracic
& Cardiovascular Surgeons, Inc.
Philippine Society of Colon &
Rectal Surgeons
Philippine Association of Plastic
Reconstructive & Aesthetic
Surgeons
Philippine Society for Vascular
Surgery
Philippine Academy of
Ophthalmology
Philippine Society for the Surgery
of Trauma
Philippine Academy for Head and
Neck Surgery, Inc.

Philippine Society of Laparoscopic
& Endoscopic Surgeons
Philippine Hip and Knee Society
Philippine Society for Transplant
Surgeons
Surgical Oncology Society of the
Philippines
Philippine Spine Society
Philippine Society of Ultrasound
in Surgeons
Association of Women Surgeons
of the Philippines
Philippine Association of Training
Officers in Surgery

PHILIPPINE ACADEMY OF FAMILY PHYSICIANS

Philippine College of
Occupational Medicine
Philippine College of Emergency
Medicine
Hospice and Palliative Medicine

PHILIPPINE OBSTETRICAL AND GYNECOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Philippine Society of Climacteric
Medicine
Philippine Society of Reproductive
Endocrinology and Infertility, Inc.
Philippine Society of Ultrasound
in Obstetrics & Gynecology
Philippine Society of Maternal
and Fetal Medicine
Philippine Society for Study of
Throphoplastic Disease
Perinatal Association of the
Philippines
Society of Gynecologic
Oncologist of the Philippines
Philippine Society for
Gynecologic Endoscopy
Philippine Society for Cervical
Pathology & Coloscopy

PHILIPPINE SOCIETY OF PATHOLOGISTS, INC. PHILIPPINE PEDIATRIC SOCIETY

Philippine Society of Pediatric
Metabolism and Endocrinology
Pediatric Nephrology Society of the
Philippines
Philippine Academy of Pediatric
Pulmonologists, Inc.
Pediatric Infectious Disease Society
of the Philippines, Inc.
Philippine Society of Pediatric
Cardiology
Society of Pediatric Critical Care
Medicine
Philippine Society of Pediatric
Gastroenterology and Nutrition
Child Neurology Society of the
Philippines
Philippine Society of Pediatric
Oncology
Philippine Society of Pediatric
Surgeons
Philippine Society of Newborn
Medicine
Section on Allergy & Immunology
Section of Clinical Genetics
Section on Adolescent Medicine
Section on Developmental
Pediatrics
Section on Hematology

PHILIPPINE COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGY

Philippine Society of Vascular and
Interventional Radiology
Ultrasound Society of the
Philippines
Computed Tomography Magnetic
Resonance Imaging Soc. Of the
Phils.
Philippine Radiation Oncology
Society

"The time is always right to do what is right."

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

An affiliate society is defined as a recognized society of the PMA distinct and separate from the defined recognized specialty divisions, sub-specialty and component society to a total of thirty six (26) to date. However, there are affiliate societies who currently have not submitted the updated list of officers. Let us hear from you because we want you to be a part of the next issue.

Aerospace Medical Association
of the Phils.
Col. Joseph M. Acosta, M.D.

Community Pediatrics Society
of the Phils.
Rommel Crisenio M. Lobo, M.D.

Fetus as a Patient Institute
Amaryllis Digna O. Yazon, M.D.

Osteoporosis Society of the Phils.
Rodolfo F. Florentino, M.D.

Pain Society of the Philippines
Antonio N.B. Yap, M.D.

Perinatal Association of the Phils.
Ma. Cecilia Tolentino, M.D.

Phil Academy of Cutaneous
Surgery
Sylvia S. Jacinto, M.D.

Phil Academy of Lactation
Consultant, Inc.
Elvira L. Henares-Esguerra, M.D.

Phil Association of Academic
Biochemist (New)
Suzette Mendoza, M.D.

Phil Association of Military
Surgeons
BGEN Normando T. Sta. Ana Jr.
AFP

Phil College of Addiction &
Medicine
Antonio M. Gauzon, M.D.

Phil College of Pharmaceutical
Medicine
Phil Federation of Private Medical
Practitioners
Luz P. Revita, M.D.

Phil Lipid Society &
Atherosclerosis Society Alberto A.
Atilano, M.D.

Phil Society for Cosmetic Surgery
Corazon Collantes-Jose, M.D.

Phil Society for the Study of the
Aging Male Foundation, Inc.
Paul Anthony L. Sunga, M.D.

Phil Society of Anatomists
Emmanuel A. Hilario, M.D.

Phil Society of Critical Care
Medicine
Jose Abad G. Santos, M.D.

Phil Society of Hypertension
Dante D. Morales, M.D..

Phil Society of Insurance
Medicine
Menandro M. Sandoval, M.D.

Phil Society of Oncologists
Romulo S. De Villa, M.D.

Phil Society of Ultrasound &
Clinical Medicine
Dorita P. Evangelista, M.D.

Phil Society of Venereologists, Inc.
Edna G. Santiago, M.D.

Phil Thyroid Association, Inc.
Vincent C. Santos, M.D.

Sports Medicines Association of
the Phils.
Alejandro V. Pineda, M.D.

Philippine Academy of Family
Physicians in School Health, Inc.
(PAPSHI)
Marie Stella L. Karahas, M.D.

"I have the consolation of having added nothing to my private fortune during my public service, and of retiring with hands clean as they are empty."
- Thomas Jefferson



PMA contracted by PHIC to Accredit Physicians

REY MELCHOR F. SANTOS,
MD, MHA, FPCS, FACS

The Philippine Medical Association has signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation last May 2012, wherein the PHIC will be contracting the PMA to accredit physicians for the corporation. Since the PMA is the biggest association of physicians in the country and the only Accredited Professional Organization (APO) in Medicine of the Professional Regulatory Commission (PRC), the PHIC requested PMA to perform the function of accreditation and ensure that physicians are classified into categories that will define standards of quality, safety and competency.

The PMA, through the Adhoc Committee on Physicians' Classification, headed by yours truly, and upon instruction of the PMA President, Dr. Modesto Llamas, subsequently conducted a two phase workshop. The first phase was held last June 16, 2012 at the PMA Auditorium with the various specialty divisions and the specialty and subspecialty societies under them together with the representatives of PHIC and the Regulatory Board of Medicine, represented by Dr Mike Noche. The PRC proposed

only two classifications made up of Specialist/ subspecialist and the generalist. This was actually echoed by the specialty and subspecialty societies. However, since PMA is more concerned at present in ensuring that we are able to serve as many clients of PHIC as possible in congruence with the Universal Health Program of the Department of Health and the Philippine government in general, it was decided that the three tier classification of physicians into specialist/ subspecialists, board eligibles, and generalists be adapted as a transition. Specialists and subspecialties are graduates of accredited training programs recognized by PMA and have passed the certifying examinations given by their respective specialty or subspecialty boards. Board Eligibles are graduates of accredited training programs who have not yet passed their certifying examinations. Generalists on the other hand are physicians licensed by the PRC to practice medicine in the country but have not completed training in an accredited training program. This output was presented during the second phase of the workshop held on June 26, 2012 and attended by the representatives

of the specialty divisions, affiliate societies and other stakeholders like the Philippine Society of Medical Specialists of the DOH, the Philippine Academy of Medical Specialists, the PACD, and other associations of physicians in government. Issues on the mandate given to PMA by the PRC and PHIC, the classification of physicians and the accreditation process were discussed and the inputs of the various stakeholders were compiled. PMA assured the various stakeholders that the three tier classification as previously adopted by PHIC will be a transition classification, and that further classifications based on training or experience outside of the recognized training programs will be discussed again with the specialty divisions and the various competencies and standards for each class in areas of the country where specialists or board eligibles are inadequate in number or absent will be determined.

The PMA will be utilizing the various regional and component societies of the PMA in the accreditation process all over the country. Coordination will then be done by the various societies with the various regional offices of PHIC. However since

the guidelines and databases of physicians still need to be finalized both at the level of the PHIC and PMA, and that workshops still need to be conducted to train the various component societies in the accreditation procedures and requirements, the PMA has requested the PHIC to postpone the implementation as agreed upon in the MOU from July 1, 2012 to September 1, 2012. PMA will initially start pilot testing the accreditation process first at the NCR level, utilizing the central PMA office. Once the process is running smoothly and turnover could be done to the component societies effectively, then the process will become national in scope. While PMA is pilot testing the NCR physicians, other physicians all over the country could still apply at the various PHIC offices.

We would like to remind all physicians that for them to be accredited by PMA in behalf of PHIC, they have to be members in good standing of the PMA and its component societies and must be up to date with their PHIC premium payments at least for the entire year that they are applying. Their PRC licenses must also be current and not expired. For Specialists/subspecialists to be accredited, they have to be members in good standing of their specialty and subspecialty societies as well as of the specialty divisions where they belong. Physicians must renew their PHIC accreditation at least 4 months prior to the expiration of their accreditation to avoid gaps in payments of their services. Accreditation with PHIC through PMA will be for a period of 3 years.

Memorandum of Understanding

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING is executed and entered into by and between:

The PHILIPPINE HEALTH INSURANCE CORPORATION, a Government-Owned and Controlled Corporation duly organized and existing by virtue of Republic Act No. 7875 as amended, otherwise known as the National Health Insurance Act of 1995, with principal office address at No. 709 Sahw Boulevard, City Staet Centre Building, Brgy. Oranbo, Pasig City, duly represented by its President & Chief Executive Officer, DR. EDUARDO P. Banzon and Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, ATTY. ALEXANDER A. Padilla, herein after referred to as "PHILHEALTH".

-and-

The PHILIPPINE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, an organization duly registered with the Security and Exchange Commission duly represented by its current and in-coming presidents, DR. OSCAR D. Tinio and DR. MODESTO O. Llamas respectively, herein after referred to as "PMA".

WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, Section 11, Article XIII of the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines declares that "the State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost."

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7875, otherwise known as the national Health Insurance Act of 1995, in recognition of the need to provide a mechanism for financial access to health services, created the National Health Insurance Program (NHIP) to provide insurance coverage and ensure affordable, acceptable, available and accessible health care services and established the Philippine health Insurance Corporation (i.e. the herein PhilHealth) to administer and implement the NHIP to the fullest.

WHEREAS, the device towards Universal Health Care (UHC) as enunciated in DOH Administrative Order no. 2010-0036 entitled: "The Aquino Health Agenda: Achieving Universal health Care for All Filipinos" demands new ways to engage Health Care Providers

in the National health Insurance Program (NHIP) to maximize their role in achieving financial risk protection and improvement of the health status of Filipinos;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10155, otherwise known as the “general Appropriations Act of 2012” provides for automatic accreditation of government healthcare starting 1 April 2012, subject to appropriate rules and guideline that shall formulated for implementation;

WHEREAS, recent policy directions in benefit payment to achieve UHC such as the shift from fee-for service to case payment necessitated a review of the process and parameters on how physicians are currently being accredited by PhilHealth in the light of the future expansion of case payment to other conditions and procedures;

WHEREAS, PhilHealth acknowledges professional organizations duly recognized and accredited by the Professional Regulatory Commission (PRC;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Medical Association (PMA) is currently the PRC-accredited professional organization for physicians and the PRC adopted the PMA Code of Ethics for Registered and Licensed Physicians;

WHEREAS, PhilHealth recognizes the Philippine Medical Association (PMA as the national association of providers for physicians such that the Corporation requires membership with the PMA and its recognized specialty societies in its accreditation program;

WHEREAS, the PMA derives its membership from component medical societies and is the umbrella organization of medical specialty societies in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the PMA has recently extended an amnesty program to its delinquent members in the government sector to allow them the chance to renew and update their membership with the Organization;

WHEREAS, PhilHealth and the PMA mutually agreed to tap the latter in utilizing its membership to qualify physicians for automatic accreditation as professional health care providers of the former. The Parties further agreed that the specialty classification of the physicians shall allow the Code of Professional Specialization of the PMA;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the parties have agreed to bind themselves as follows:

1. UNDERTAKING OF THE PARTIES

1.1 PhilHealth

1.1.1 It shall appoint PMA to register physicians for PhilHealth accreditation as a professional health care provider subject to their compliance to strict and specific parameters to be mutually agreed upon by the Parties;

1.1.2 It shall classify physicians following the PMA Classification of Categorization based on their specialty or subspecialty certification, training or experience;

1.1.3 It shall formulate and accordingly issue the necessary policies and operational guidelines for implementation in coordination with the PMA.

1.2 PMA

1.2.1 It shall share its membership database with PhilHealth accurately indicating the name, specialty, address, email address and other details relative to the physician;

1.2.2 It shall adopt and comply with mutually agreed quality assurance policies of Philhealth including but not limited, to peer review, health technology assessment, evidence-based

medicine, credentialing and privileging, among others;

1.2.3 It shall ensure that their members and employees are in good standing with PMA and have active, continuous and updated PhilHealth membership;

1.2.4 It shall collect the PhilHealth participation fees of five Hundred Pesos (P500.00) per year per member subject to usual regular increases upon prior notice and immediately remit the same to PhilHealth within a reasonable period to be set by the latter;

1.2.5 It shall fully and unconditionally support the mutually agreed PhilHealth policies and anti-fraud measures in the implementation of the national health Insurance Program (NHIP);

1.2.6 It shall allow PhilHealth to install, free of charge, exhibit booths during PMA sponsored and/or initiated conferences/forums and include topics on PhilHealth in the program that are aimed to inform its members on PhilHealth policies.

1.2.7 It shall exert continuous effort and give consideration to physicians whose arrearages and penalties in their membership fees have accumulated, thereby

preventing them from applying for accreditation with PhilHealth;

1.2.8 It shall allow PhilHealth to conduct periodic review of its implementation of the automatic accreditation policies, rules and guideline.

2. EFFECTIVITY & TERMINATION

This agreement shall take effect on the 1st day of July 2012 and shall remain in effect subject to regular performance monitoring relative to compliance with the applicable and existing circulars, rules and regulation of PhilHealth. Any pre-termination of this agreement shall be made in writing and shall be effective after sixty (60) days from notice thereof.

3. REVISION OR AMENDMENT

Any revision or amendment of this Agreement shall require the written consent of all parties hereto.

