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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO: 2020-11-28-030

TO : ALL COMPONENT SOCIETIES

SUBJECT : MANDATORY TB NOTIFICATION THRU ITIS LITE

DATE : NOVEMBER 28, 2020

Tuberculosis (TB) remains a major problem in the Philippines, ranking the country fourth globally in terms of incidence based on the 2020 WHO Global Tuberculosis Report and lowest in terms of national performance compared with neighboring countries.

RA 10767 or the Comprehensive Tuberculosis Elimination Plan Act requires the health sector to observe the national protocol on TB management and to notify the Department of Health (DOH) of all TB cases. The Integrated Tuberculosis Information System (ITIS) Lite, managed by the Knowledge Management and Information Technology Services (KMITS), is the DOH's official application for the mandatory TB notifications by all public and private healthcare providers.


In this regard, we encourage all our physician-members managing persons with TB to comply with this protocol and become a TB Notifier by registering at the DOH ITIS Website through the link bit.ly/itisuserregistration. Please remember to tag PMA and your respective professional specialty society affiliations, if any, through your profile in the ITIS Lite.

TB Notifiers with registered ITIS Lite accounts can now download the ITIS Lite Mobile App, available for both Android and iOS users. With this mobile app, TB notifiers can easily notify patients upon diagnosis and/or initiation of treatment and update their treatment outcome. Kindly visit the PMA website <https://www.philippinemedicalassociation.org> for the recorded proceedings of the mobile app launch for more information. Resources on notification can be accessed in the following links: bit.ly/MNforTB; bit.ly/MNItisLite; and bit.ly/TBmn-privatesector-resources. You may also watch the mandatory TB notification video here: youtu.be/vIb9W2Rjat8.

Let us all work together to ensure the continuity of prevention and care for those affected by TB, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thank you very much for your support!

Respectfully,


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