



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Health
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ORDER

No. 2022 - 1245

SUBJECT: Appointment of the New Member of the Health Technology Assessment Council Subcommittee on Drugs

Republic Act No. 11223 Section 34 (c) mandates the creation of the Health Technology Assessment Council (HTAC) which will operationalize the HTA process through the following functions: (1) facilitate the provision of financing and/or coverage recommendations on health technologies to be financed by DOH and PhilHealth; (2) oversee and coordinate the HTA process within DOH and PhilHealth; and (3) review and assess existing DOH and PhilHealth benefit packages. Within five (5) years after the establishment and effective operation of the HTAC, it shall transition into an independent entity separate from the DOH, attached to the Department of Science and Technology (DOST).

In light of the urgency to fill the position for HTAC to more efficiently work on recommendations for health technologies for government funding, a public Call for Nominations among all concerned stakeholders was done from 02 February to 14 February 2022. Only 20 out of 24 nominees concurred with the nomination and were duly evaluated by the HTAC Screening Committee (refer to *Department Personnel Order No. 1605-B*) following the standardized selection criteria as shown below (i.e., education, relevant work experience, relevant training, publication, conflict of interest).

In view of the above, **DR. IRISYL OROLFO REAL, FPCP, FPSMO, MCMMO** is hereby appointed as a member of the HTAC Subcommittee on Drugs.

Roles and responsibilities

While the HTAC Subcommittees support the HTAC Core Committee in achieving a timely, effective, efficient and responsive technology appraisal process by performing the initial review of HTA reports and submissions of the industry, evidence review groups, and other actors which submit evidence to the HTAC for purposes of technology appraisal.

Remuneration

The Subcommittees shall receive FIVE THOUSAND PESOS (Php 5,000.00) per meeting following the provisions of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) National Budget Circular No. 2007-510 dated 08 May 2007 with the subject, "*Guidelines on the Grant of Honoraria to the Governing Boards of Collegial Bodies*" and Department Personnel Order No. 2019-5496-B with the subject, "*Further Amendment to Department Personnel Order No. 2019-5496 and 2019-5496-A dated*

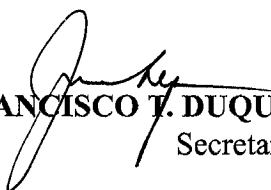
2019-5496 and 2019-5496-A dated 10 October 2019 and 22 January 2020, respectively, entitled "Creation of the Health Technology Assessment Council- Core and Subcommittees" dated 14 August 2020.

Technical Support

The HTAC may call upon technical resource persons from the PhilHealth, Food and Drug Administration, patient groups, and clinical medicine experts as regular resource persons, and representatives from the private sector and health care providers as by-invitation resource persons.

The Health Technology Assessment Division (HTAD) under the Health Regulation Team (HRT) shall provide secretariat support to the HTAC and conduct internal assessments, as deemed necessary.

Under this Order, all expenses incurred in the conduct of the committee's function as well as their honorarium shall be charged against the funds of the HTAD, subject to the availability of funds and the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.


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