



**ADVISORY ON THE HEALTH TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT (HTA)
PHILIPPINES' STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT FOLLOWING THE TRANSFER
OF THE HTA IMPLEMENTATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
(DOH) TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DOST)**

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On 06 March 2023, the DOH Officer-In-Charge Dr. Maria Rosario Singh-Vergeire and the DOST Secretary Dr. Renato U. Solidum, Jr. led the ceremonial turnover of the HTA Philippines from the DOH to the DOST held at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC), Manila. This is on track with the stipulations of the Universal Health Care Law to transfer the HTA Council as an independent agency attached to the DOST within 5 years of its establishment at the DOH in 2019. As we are still in the process of completing administrative matters, please be advised that the HTA Philippines shall maintain its status quo on stakeholder engagement-related concerns until further notice.

1. Addressee for communications

For matters concerning the HTA Council, you may address them to:

MARITA TOLENTINO-REYES, MD

Chairperson, Health Technology Assessment Council

For matters concerning the HTA Division staff, you may address them to:

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Division Chief, Health Technology Assessment Division

2. HTA Philippines contact information

HTA Philippines email address: hta@doh.gov.ph

Telephone Number: 8651-7800 loc. 3207 (Administrative Unit), 2410 (Technical Secretariat Unit), 3206 (Policy, Planning and Evaluation Unit)

Office address: 4/F Philippine Blood Center, Quezon City

3. HTA Philippines website where stakeholders can view all important announcements, such as preliminary recommendations for appeals, final HTA Council recommendations and other process-related developments: hta.doh.gov.ph

4. For face-to-face consultations

Kindly strictly set appointments with the HTA Division through the Technical Secretariat via the contact information provided above to ensure that your concerns will be addressed by the appropriate point persons, and that your visit will be accommodated more efficiently while ensuring that no deliverables/ operations of the HTA Philippines will be disrupted.

Rest assured that we will inform our stakeholders of any changes resulting from the transition.

Thank you very much in anticipation of your usual support and compliance.

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