



Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Office of the Secretary



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DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR

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FOR: ALL DEPARTMENT UNDERSECRETARIES AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES; MINISTER OF HEALTH - BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (BARMM); CENTERS FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT, BUREAU AND SERVICE DIRECTORS; SPECIAL AND SPECIALTY HOSPITAL DIRECTORS; CHIEFS OF MEDICAL CENTERS, HOSPITALS AND SANITARIA; AND OTHER CONCERNED OFFICES

SUBJECT: Recommendation of the Health Technology Assessment Council on Calcium Hydroxide + Clinoptilolite Larvicide (Kiti-kitiX)

By virtue of Republic Act 11223, otherwise known as the Universal Health Care (UHC) Act, Health Technology Assessment (HTA) shall be institutionalized as a fair and transparent priority-setting mechanism to provide financing and coverage recommendations on health technologies to be funded by the Department of Health (DOH) and the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth).

On 3 July 2024, the Secretary of Health concurs with the recommendation of the HTA Council on the **non-financing of the government and non-inclusion of Calcium Hydroxide + Clinoptilolite Larvicide (Kiti-kitiX)** in the list of larvicides to be used by the Aedes-borne Viral Diseases Prevention and Control Program due to the unavailability of sufficient clinical evidence on its efficacy, effectiveness, and safety at this point.

Kindly disseminate this to all concerned offices in your areas of responsibility so that they may be appropriately guided on the procurement. All are enjoined to ensure rational procurement, distribution, and use of vector management. Your full cooperation is highly appreciated.

For your information and guidance.

By authority of the Secretary of Health:


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