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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **9813**, S-2024

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, TO OPEN 2 DEPOSITORY ACCOUNTS (QCHD GENERAL FUND AND QCHD TRUST FUND) ON BEHALF OF THE QUEZON CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT (QCHD), AT THE LAND BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES – QUEZON CITY HALL BRANCH FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING PHILHEALTH REIMBURSEMENTS AND/OR COLLECTIONS FOR HOSPITAL CLAIMS THROUGH THE AUTO CREDIT PAYMENT NOTICES (ACPN) AND/OR RECEIVING PAYMENTS FROM SERVICES RENDERED TO PATIENTS THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT – ISSUED GUARANTEE LETTERS (DSWD-GL)

Introduced by Councilor BERNARD R. HERRERA

Co-Introduced by Councilors Tany Joe “TJ” L. Calalay, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Nikki V. Crisologo, Charm M. Ferrer, Fernando Miguel “Mikey” F. Belmonte, Candy A. Medina, Aly Medalla, Dave C. Valmocina, Tatay Rannie Z. Ludovica, Godofredo T. Liban II, Kate Galang-Coseteng, Geleen “Dok G” G. Lumbad, Albert Alvin “Chuckie” L. Antonio III, Don S. De Leon, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Atty. Anton L. Reyes, Edgar “Egay” G. Yap, Irene R. Belmonte, Nanette Castelo-Daza, Marra C. Suntay, Joseph Joe Visaya, Alfred Vargas, MPA, Ram V. Medalla, Shaira “Shay” L. Liban, Aiko S. Melendez, Mutya Castelo, Maria Eleanor “Doc Ellie” R. Juan, O.D., Kristine Alexia R. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Vito Sotto Generoso, Victor “Vic” Bernardo, Jose Maria M. Rodriguez and Jhon Angelli “Sami” C. Neri

WHEREAS, Section 11, Article XIII of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides, among others, that the State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development, which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and social services available to all people at affordable cost;

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WHEREAS, Section 22 of Republic Act No. 11223, otherwise known as the Universal Health Care (UHC) Act of 2019, mandated the National Government to make available commensurate financial and non-financial matching grants, including capital outlay, human resources for health and health commodities, to improve the functionality of province-wide and city-wide health systems; provided, that the grants shall be in accordance with the approved province-wide and city-wide health investment plans;

WHEREAS, Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) issued Memorandum Circular No. 2017-0020 which provides for the "Implementation of Auto-Credit Payment Scheme (ACPS) to all Health Care Institutions";

WHEREAS, PhilHealth Memorandum Circular No. 2017-0020 further provides that:

"V. GENERAL GUIDELINES

- A. All HCIs shall be required to open deposit account/s with the local banks authorized to do banking business in the Philippines under the supervision and regulation of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, for the PhilHealth auto-credit payment facility. The deposit account/s shall be the destination account into which reimbursements will be credited.
- B. HCIs already enrolled under the ACPS with Land Bank shall opt to either retain their existing account or open an account with their preferred servicing bank.
- C. For non-Land Bank accounts, the RTGS fee shall be paid by the HCI/LGU HCIs. In no instance shall PhilHealth pay the RTGS or any other transaction fees between banks.
- D. All accredited HCIs shall be required to be ACPS compliant upon effectivity of this circular. Otherwise, payment release shall be put on hold and no checks shall be issued to HCIs for claims payments.";

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Memorandum Circular No. 16, Series of 2022 dated August 22, 2022 provides for the Updated Guidelines for the Implementation of the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situation (AICS) Program to ensure faster and more efficient delivery of assistance through the said Program;

WHEREAS, the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situation (AICS) was established to provide the best healthcare services at the lowest cost possible without sacrificing the quality of services;

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WHEREAS, Quezon City Health Department (QCHD) is willing to forge a partnership with DSWD and its offices by accepting approved DSWD Guarantee Letters (GL), providing a credit line to DSWD, and by making its services readily available to qualified beneficiaries, individuals or families in crisis or in difficult situations, thus fostering and promoting efficient delivery of medical and social services;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 455(b)(1)(vi) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991," the City Mayor shall represent the City in all its business transactions and sign in its behalf all bonds, contracts and obligations, and such other documents upon authority of the Sangguniang Panlungsod or pursuant to law or ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to authorize, as it does hereby authorize, the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, to open 2 depository accounts (QCHD General Fund and QCHD Trust Fund) on behalf of the Quezon City Health Department (QCHD), at the Land Bank of the Philippines – Quezon City Hall Branch for the purpose of receiving PhilHealth reimbursements and/or collections for hospital claims through the Auto Credit Payment Notices (ACPN) and/or receiving payments from services rendered to patients through the Department of Social Welfare and Development – Issued Guarantee Letters (DSWD-GL).

RESOLVED FURTHER, that:

1. The QCHD General Fund shall be for the purpose of receiving PHIC Health Care Institution (HCI) reimbursements and/or payments from DSWD AICS Guarantee Letter and shall be transferred to the Quezon City General Fund through the WeAccess Online Automatic Transfer Facility of the Land Bank of the Philippines;
2. The QCHD Trust Fund shall be for the purpose of receiving PHIC Professional Fee (PF) reimbursements and shall be transferred to the Quezon City Trust Fund through the WeAccess Online Automatic Transfer Facility of the Land Bank of the Philippines;
3. The said depository accounts shall be used only as conduits in receiving funds from any source, and all funds (including interest income) shall be transferred to specific Quezon City Bank Accounts periodically and reported to the Chief Cashier of the City Treasurer's Office (CTO) through the submission of Report of Collections and Deposits (RCD);

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4. No disbursements shall be charged directly against such accounts; all charges against any funds must pass the normal accounting and auditing processes; and
5. The authorized bank signatories shall be the City Mayor and the City Treasurer or their authorized representatives.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Quezon City Health Department (QCHD), the Office of the City Mayor, the City Treasurer's Office (CTO), Land Bank of the Philippines – Quezon City Hall Branch, Philippine Health Insurance Corporation, and Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) for their information and guidance.

ADOPTED: September 16, 2024.



GIAN G. SOTTO
City Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III
City Government Department Head III
(City Council Secretary)

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on September 16, 2024 and was CONFIRMED on September 23, 2024.


ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III
City Government Department Head III
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