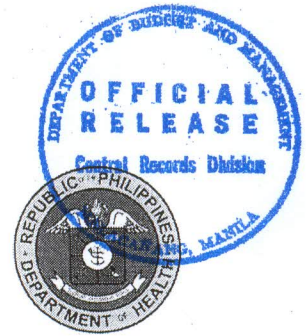




**Department of Budget and Management
Department of Health**



Joint Circular No. 2013-1

September 23, 2013

TO : Heads of Departments, Bureaus, Offices, and Agencies of the National Government, Including State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) Operating General Hospitals; Heads of Local Government Units (LGUs); and All Others Concerned

SUBJECT : Revised Standards on Organizational Structure and Staffing Pattern of Government Hospitals, CY 2013 Edition

1.0 Background Information

The hospital system must be prepared to respond to the expanding health needs of the people it has committed to serve. This entails strengthening the management, operating systems and organizational structure of the hospital and the use of cost effective and appropriate technology in the delivery of hospital services.

Related thereto, the Department of Health (DOH) has proposed the revision of the standards on the organization and staffing of government hospitals to make these compliant with the minimum DOH licensing requirements, PhilHealth accreditation and new hospital licensing category. Moreover, the revised standards consider the mechanisms to further improve hospital service delivery to keep up with the new trends in medicine worldwide and the emergence of sub-specialties in the various fields of medicine. It also provides a framework for the categorization of hospitals as basis for determining the number and levels of positions appropriate for each hospital capability level and bed capacity.

2.0 Purpose

This Circular is issued to disseminate the approved Revised Standards on the Organizational Structure and Staffing Pattern (OSSP) of Government Hospitals, CY 2013 Edition.

3.0 Coverage

The Revised Standards on the OSSP of Government Hospitals as prescribed in this Circular shall cover only General Hospitals of Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3, as classified by the DOH.

4.0 Exclusion

This circular does not cover those classified as Special Hospitals or Other Health Facilities under the DOH Administrative Order No. 2012-0012.¹

5.0 Resolution of Issues

Issues and concerns that may arise in the implementation of this Joint Circular shall be resolved by the DBM and DOH.

6.0 Effectivity

This Circular shall take effect immediately.



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¹ Rules and Regulations Governing the New Classification of Hospitals and Other Health Facilities in the Philippines, dated July 18, 2012