

[**PhilHealth Circular No. 009-2015, May 27, 2015**]

MANDATORY PAYMENT OF PREMIUM CONTRIBUTIONS OF EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES IN PHILHEALTH ACCREDITED COLLECTING AGENTS

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Pursuant to Section 6.f of the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of the National Health Insurance Act of 2013, PhilHealth is mandated to "*establish and maintain an updated membership and contribution database.*"

To fulfill this mandate, **effective July 1, 2015 covering the applicable period of June 2015**, all premium contributions of employers and their employees in the government and private sectors shall be made at any of PhilHealth's accredited collecting agents (ACAs) or through e-Payment facilities. A complete list of all accredited collecting agents can be accessed through www.philhealth.gov.ph. Only premiums from micro-firms, employers with less than 11 employees and *Kasambahays* shall be accepted at PhilHealth offices.

However, exemptions shall be granted in areas or provinces in the following circumstances until such time that access for payment and electronic reporting can be provided:

- For provinces classified as geographically isolated and disadvantaged areas (GIDAS) with no available internet service provider and accredited collecting agents, premium payments and soft copy reports will still be accepted in PhilHealth offices; and,
- In areas where there are ACAs but no available internet service providers, soft copy reports shall be submitted to the nearest PhilHealth office.

This Circular shall take effect after its publication in any newspaper of general circulation and shall be deposited with the National Administrative Register at the University of the Philippines Law Center.

All provisions of previous issuances which are consistent and were not affected by this Circular shall remain in full force and effect.

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