

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TAIPEI ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL OFFICE IN THE PHILIPPINES AND THE MANILA ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL OFFICE IN TAIWAN ON COOPERATION IN HEALTH INSURANCE.

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) made and entered into between:

THE TAIPEI ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL OFFICE in the Philippines represented by MR. RAYMOND L.S. WANG, Representative, hereinafter referred to as "TECO";

and

THE MANILA ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL OFFICE in Taiwan represented by MR. ANTONIO I. BASILIO, Resident Representative, hereinafter referred to as "MECO";

WHEREAS, desiring to improve the health of the people in Taiwan and the Philippines to promote mutual understanding and friendly relations and to cooperate on national health insurance;

WHEREAS, the TECO and MECO, hereinafter referred to as "Participants" wish to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU);

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the Participants have come to the following understanding:

**PARAGRAPH 1
Responsibilities of Participants**

The Participants will designate respectively, a representative agency to implement this MoU. For TECO, the implementing agency is the Bureau of National Health Insurance (BNHI) Department of Health, Executive Yuan, Taiwan, and for the MECO, the implementing agency is the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth).

Coordination and Collaboration in Health Insurance Implementation Activities

The Participants and their respective representative agencies will:

1. Hold meetings as far as practicable for the planning of measures designed to improve social health insurance;
2. Promote and facilitate the exchange of experiences pertaining to health insurance including such areas as health care financing, payment reforms, insurer organization, quality of care, and information technology implementation;
3. Promote and facilitate the development of direct contact and networking among academic institutions and non-government organizations to support