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**INCREASE IN MEDICARE BENEFIT AMOUNTS UNDER THE
NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM**

Effective immediately, the maximum benefit amounts for medical care services under the National Health Insurance Program (NHIP) are hereby increased to make the Program more responsive to the health care needs of its members. The new benefit schedule are as follows:

**For Private Sector Members (including Overseas Filipino Workers)
and their Dependents:**

Benefit Item	Primary Hospital	Secondary Hospital	Tertiary Hospital
ROOM & BOARD	120	220	345
DRUGS & MEDICINES			
1. Ordinary Case	1,165	1,595	2,670
2. Intensive Case	2,430	3,280	7,660
3. Catastrophic Case	0	6,575	11,885
X-RAY, LAB. ETC.			
1. Ordinary Case	305	760	1,625
2. Intensive Case	500	1,680	3,405
3. Catastrophic Case	0	3,405	9,810
DOCTOR'S FEES			
1. Ordinary Case			
a. Gen. Practitioner	540	540	540
b. Specialist	810	810	810
2. Intensive/Catastrophic			
a. Gen. Practitioner	810	810	810
b. Specialist	1,350	1,350	1,350
OTHERS			