

# 2nd International Congress on Quality and Performance in Healthcare: Promoting Hospitals and Safety



## International Experience in Promoting Hospitals - Accreditation The Case of the Philippines

Philippine Health Insurance Corporation  
(PhilHealth)

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# **Legal Mandate**

**Republic Act 7875 or the National Health Insurance Act of 1995 provides the following guidelines:**

**PhilHealth will operate an accreditation program**

**Providers must be accredited before they can be reimbursed by PhilHealth**

**Accredited providers will collaborate with PhilHealth on quality assurance activities**

# Health Care Providers

## Institutions

**Hospitals**

**Out-Patient Facilities**

**Ambulatory Surgical Clinics**

**Free-Standing Dialysis Clinics**

**Rural Health Units / Health Centers**

**Maternity Care Centers**

**TB DOTS Centers**

**Overseas Workers' Clinics**

# Health Care Providers

## Professionals

### Physicians

General Practitioners

Medical Specialists

### Dentists

### Midwives

# Number of accredited providers

Hospitals	1,654
Ambulatory Surgical Clinics	36
Rural Health Units	1,301
Authorized Hospitals	156
Free-Standing Dialysis Clinics	39
TB-DOTS Centers	710
Maternity Care Clinics	627
Professionals	23,501

# **Previous Accreditation Framework**

**The emphasis then was on findings “what’s wrong” with the providers through inspections**

**The indicators were similar with the licensing standards of the Department of Health (minimum threshold standards)**

**Does not support the culture of quality improvement**

# **The New Accreditation Framework**

**Continuous quality improvement**

**Self-assessment**

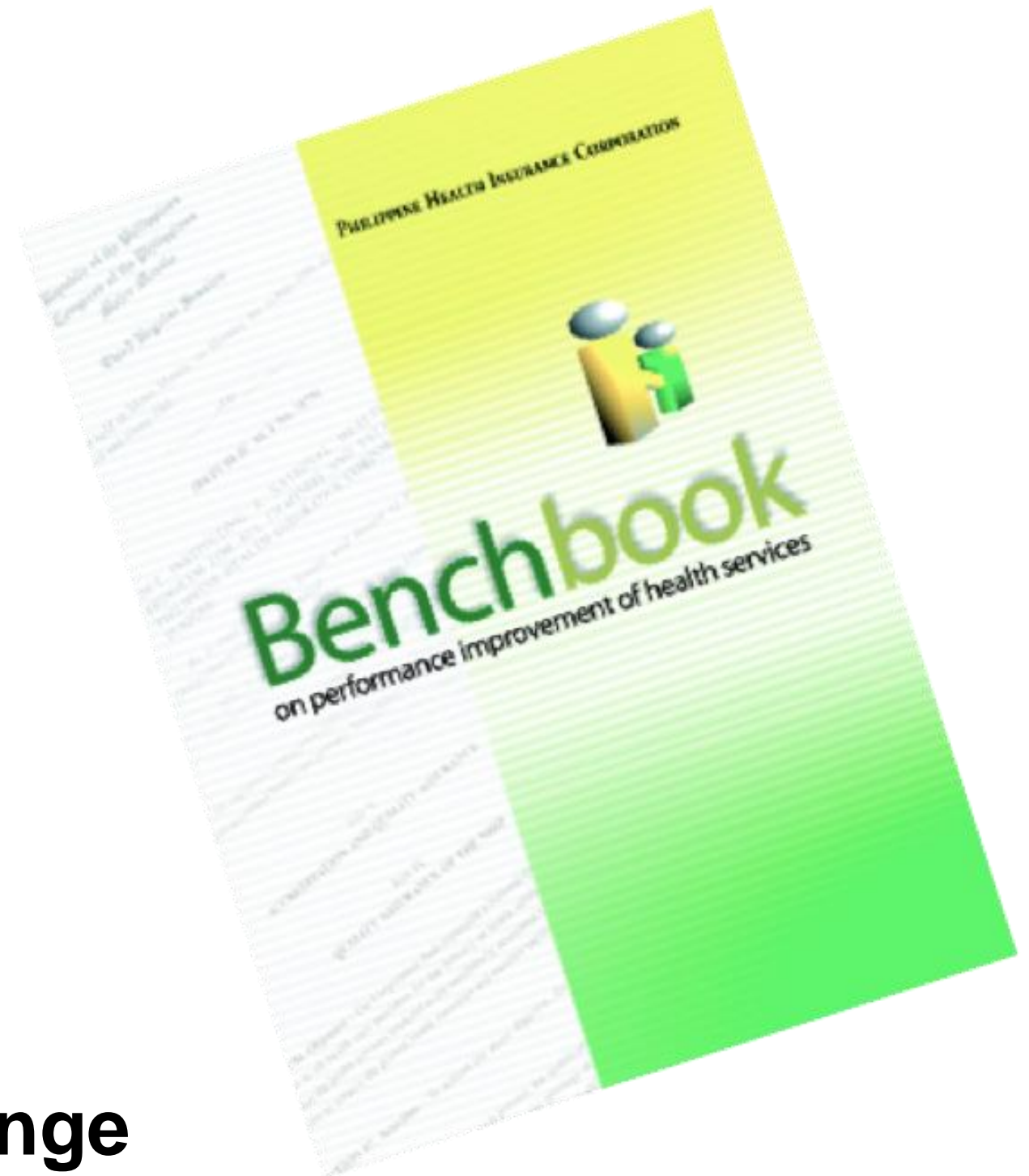
**Demonstration of achievement and outcomes, “we’re proud of what we have done”**

# The PhilHealth Benchbook

A yardstick against which the quality of health care rendered by accredited health providers can be measured

Contains accreditation standards that evaluate processes and outcomes of health care

Represents a significant change from the current standards that govern only inputs to health care





# 79 Benchbook Standards

Patient Care	30	75
Self-Practice and the Environment	17	16
Human Resource Management	8	19
Improving Performance	7	1
Patients' Rights & Organizational Ethics	6	14
Leadership & Management	6	4
Information Management	5	11

# The Benchmark

**The STANDARDS are the statement of ideal performance.**

**The CRITERIA provides the specific and measurable indicators that will help determine whether or not the standards has been met.**

**INDICATORS which provide the tools to monitor conformance to standards with respect to specific criterion.**

# Accreditation Process

## HCP APPLICATION FOR ACCREDITATION

Benchbook and self-assessment tool to HCP

Guidance on Planning for the Accreditation Survey to HCP

## SELF-ASSESSMENT

Once completed by HCP, it shall be submitted to PhilHealth survey team

Self-assessment meets PhilHealth criteria, date for the survey will be arranged

## SURVEY VISIT

Survey Plan and schedule should be done in advance (at least 6 weeks prior)

Includes team meetings and interviews. Involve front line staff of the hosp.

## ACCREDITATION DECISION

# **Self Assessment**

**The provider to organize a QA team**

**Analyze self-assessment results and prioritize action plan**

**Implement measures to correct deficiencies**

**Repeat self-assessment using the same form to revalidate and make sure all standards are met**

# Self Assessment

Organizational policies and procedures respect and support patient's right to quality care and their responsibilities in that care	Informed consent is obtained prior to initiation of care				
	Policies and procedures which identify and address patient's right and responsibilities are documented and monitored				
	Patients receive written statements of their rights and responsibilities				
	The hospital protects patients and respects their rights during research involving human subjects				

# Indicators

**These are tools to monitor conformance to standards with respect to specific criterion**

**A quantitative tool used to measure & improve performance of functions, processes & outcomes**

**They can be clinical or non-clinical**

# Types of Indicators

**Outcome Indicators** - assesses what happens or does not happen following a process

**Process Indicators** - assesses an important activity that is carried out, either as part of direct patient care or to support patient care

**Sentinel event indicator** - a performance measure identifying events that triggers further analysis & investigation. It is usually undesirable & occur infrequently like adverse patient incidents

# Recognition

0 - 33	Zero Achievement	
33 - 50	Little Achievement	
51 - 67	Moderate Achievement	Center of Safety
68 - 84	Extensive Achievement	Center of Quality
85 - 100	Outstanding Achievement	Center of Excellence



**Thank you and  
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