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**FOR: ALL UNDERSECRETARIES, ASSISTANT SECRETARIES; DIRECTORS OF BUREAUS AND CENTERS FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT; THE MINISTER OF HEALTH IN THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION OF MUSLIM MINDANAO; AND OTHERS CONCERNED**

**SUBJECT: Circulation of the Manual of Standards for Primary Care Facilities**

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The Health Facility Development Bureau has finalized the Manual of Standards for Primary Care Facilities, which shall serve as a guide for the licensing and regulatory system that will be instituted for Primary Care Facilities.

The Manual of Standards shall be used by the public and private health sectors, national agencies, local government units, development partners, academe and research partners, civil society, and other relevant stakeholders in the implementation of primary health care.

A copy of the Manual of Standards is accessible through <http://bit.ly/PCFManualofStandards>.

Dissemination of the Manual of Standards to all concerned is requested.

By Authority of the Secretary of Health

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