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Department of Health
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

No. 2017-0008 - A

SUBJECT: Amendment to Administrative Order No. 2017-0008 dated June 1, 2017 entitled "Implementing Guidelines of Republic Act 10754, otherwise known as 'An Act Expanding the Benefits and Privileges of Persons with Disability', for the Provision of Medical and Health-related Discounts and Special Privileges"

In observance of the community quarantine throughout the National Capital Region and the advisory to the local government units to implement their own community quarantine subject to the guidelines issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease through Joint Resolutions Nos. 11 and 12 and the Office of the President Memorandum dated 13 March 2020, the following provisions are hereby added:


Under VI.4.B(i) is hereby revised to be read as follows:

“As a general rule, any single dispensing of medicines must be in accordance with the prescription issued by a physician and should not exceed one (1) month supply.

In cases of emergency, community quarantine, or public health emergency, the one-month rule may be extended to a maximum of three (3) months, except (a) antibiotics which must be dispensed according to its full treatment course and (b) controlled drugs requiring S2 license in which case the maximum duration of dispensing shall remain up to one (1) month only.”

All other provisions of Administrative Order No. 2017-0008 shall remain in effect and provisions/issuances inconsistent or contrary to this Order are hereby rescinded or modified accordingly.

This order shall take effect immediately.


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