



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Health
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR

No. 2021 – 0388-B

TO : **DIRECTORS OF CENTERS FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT (CHDs), CHIEFS OF MEDICAL CENTERS, HOSPITALS, SANITARIA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF SPECIALTY HOSPITALS, MINISTER OF HEALTH – BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (MOH-BARMM), LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGU) HEALTH FACILITIES AND OTHERS CONCERNED**

SUBJECT : **FURTHER AMENDMENT TO DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR NO. 2021-0388 DATED 01 SEPTEMBER 2021 ENTITLED “AVAILABILITY OF THE 2021 DRUG PRICE REFERENCE INDEX (DPRI) ELECTRONIC OR SOFT COPY”**

In relation to the Drug Price Reference Index (DPRI) which aims to maximize government funds in the expenditures for essential medicines, Mercaptopurine 50 mg tablet is hereby added to the DPRI 2021 as:


Drugname	2021 DPRI
Mercaptopurine 50 mg tablet	25.00

All other provision in the Department Circular (DC) No. 2021-0388 dated 1 September 2021 re: “Availability of the 2021 Drug Price Reference Index (DPRI) Electronic or Soft Copy” and DC No. 2021-0388-A dated 16 September 2021 entitled “Amendment to the Department Circular No. 2021-0388 dated 1 September 2021 re: Availability of the 2021 Drug Price Reference Index (DPRI) Electronic or Soft Copy” not affected by these issuances shall remain in full force and effect.

All Centers of Health Development (CHDs) and Ministry of Health – Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (MOH-BARMM) are hereby directed to disseminate this information to their respective Provincial Hospitals, Municipal Hospitals, City Hospitals and Local Government Units and extend necessary assistance thereafter.

For strict and prompt compliance.

By the authority of the Secretary of Health,


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