

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Health
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

September 13, 2016

DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM
No. 2016 - 0329

TO : CHIEFS OF MEDICAL CENTERS, HOSPITALS, SANITARIA AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF SPECIALTY HOSPITALS

SUBJECT : Identification of all DOH Retained and Specialty Hospitals with License to Operate (LTO) as Distributor for Medicines issued by the FDA

During the implementation of the Drug Price Reference Index (DPRI) some facilities were having difficulty procuring medicines due to factors such as low volume of bidding requirements, geographical barriers, etc. Moreover, it was observed that these facilities have a greater tendency for procurement inefficiency that results in excessive expenditure of government funds.

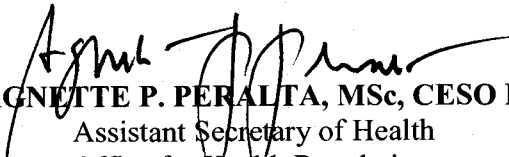
To address the said issue, the DOH – Pharmaceutical Division (PD) will be identifying all the DOH Hospitals which have a License to Operate (LTO) as a Distributor issued by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). PD is looking at the possibility for these hospitals to act as the procurement arm for smaller DOH hospitals which need assistance in drug procurement.

In this connection, please fill up the attached form (Annex A) and submit it to the Pharmaceutical Division not later than **September 30, 2016** through telefax at (02) 711-2589 or email at dohdpr@gmail.com. For any queries, you may contact Mr. Jeffrey Castro or Ms. Priscilla Alimario at (02) 651 – 7800 ext. 2557.

Your utmost support to achieve efficient procurement is highly appreciated.

For strict compliance.

By the Authority of the Secretary of Health:


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ANNEX A

REPLY FORM

Name of Hospital: _____

Email Address: _____

Do you have a License to Operate as Distributor: _____ YES _____ NO

Date of Application: _____

Expiry Date: _____

If no LTO as Distributor, are you willing to engage in a pooled bidding with other DOH Hospitals?

_____ YES _____ NO

Noted by:

Medical Center Chief / Chief of Hospital