

Advanced Notice for Mandatory Claim Form 5 (CF5) Submissions for the Shadow Billing of Diagnosis-Related Groups (DRG)

For all accredited inpatient health facilities (infirmaries and levels 1-3 hospitals), please be advised that the submission of Claim Form 5 (CF5) shall be a mandatory attachment for the claims of all patients discharged August 1, 2026 onwards. Upon effectivity, all claims without a valid CF5 attached shall not be accepted by PhilHealth for submission. A PhilHealth Circular detailing these rules shall be released accordingly.

Mandatory CF5 submissions shall be done in efforts to expedite the collection of data needed to develop the Philippine Diagnosis-Related Groups (PHL-DRG) system. Furthermore, the submission of the CF5 is an exercise that would help facilities become accustomed to how PhilHealth will require inpatient claims to be documented once DRG-based payments are implemented.

Health facilities may refer to PhilHealth Circular No. 2024-0006 entitled, "Implementation of Shadow Billing for the Transition to Diagnosis-Related Groups (DRG) (Revision 1)," and its succeeding revisions, to be guided on the implementation of Shadow Billing. They may also refer to the DRG Implementation Manual published on PhilHealth's official website (https://www.philhealth.gov.ph/about_us/ under "Medical Literature") for supplementary information on DRGs and Shadow Billing.

For further assistance, please coordinate with your respective DRG Representative from the PhilHealth Regional Office or contact the PhilHealth Corporate Action Center at (02) 8662-2588 or actioncenter@philhealth.gov.ph.

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