



# PHILIPPINE ALLIANCE OF PATIENTS' ORGANIZATION (PAPO)

# WHAT IS PAPO?

- ❖ Coalition of patients, patient organizations health advocates, including persons with disabilities (PWDs).
- ❖ Registered with SEC on October 27, 2011

# Vision

A unifying body  
with one voice  
that supports  
and strengthens  
patient  
organizations.

# Mission

PAPO is the national patients'  
voice

Promote best practices among  
patient organizations and health  
services

Platform to promote discussion,  
dialogues, roundtable  
discussion on health-related  
issues

Collate, organize and maintain a  
national patient registry

Founding Members:

Philippine  
Association for  
Citizens with  
Developmental  
Learning Disabilities

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Cerebral Palsied  
Association of the  
Philippines

Link Center for the  
Deaf

# OTHER MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

- Foundation for Sight
- Akap Pinoy (PWD)
- New Vois Association (Throat Cancer)
- Yellow Warriors
- Balikatang Thalassemia
- HAPLOS (Hemophilia)
- Society for Orphan Disorders (Rare Disease)
- Sceloderma Society of the Philippines
- Philippine Cerebral Palsy Inc.
- Rainbow Camp Philippines (Diabetes)
- Diabetes Association of Camp Crame
- Project Red Ribbon (for AIDS patients)
- ADHD Society
- Scoliosis Society
- KITAP (Kidney Transplant patients)

# WHO CAN JOIN PAPO?

## Regular Members

Disease-specific patient organizations  
(patient-initiated or groups who provide  
direct services to patients)

## Affiliate Members

Individual patients

Health Advocates (sectoral eg elderly,  
women, etc)

# ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

## ◉ *Constituency Building*

- Enlist the support of patient groups and CSO's to conduct a hospital client satisfaction survey using the Department of Health's (DOH) survey tool
- Data will be presented to the DOH National Hospital Quality Improvement Technical Working Group to validate results of the DOH Score Card.

◉ *Deepening the Hospital and Patient Relationship using a Social Accountability Process*

- Results of the Client Satisfaction Survey will be used to start discussions with the Hospital Administration
- Patients and Hospital Admin will aim to achieve common goals



## ◉ *Strengthening Capacity of Patient Organizations*

- Resource Mobilization
- Health Technology
- Policy Making
- Decision-making skills for patient leaders

# PATIENT'S MANIFESTO

**That the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation include at least 2 patient representatives to become members of the PhilHealth Board.** While we recognize that the current charter allows representatives from member categories and other government agencies, no one group represents disease-specific groups.

**That the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office set-up satellite offices in all DOH and LGU hospitals. This is to eliminate the current situation where patients have to line up in the wee hours of the night just to avail of the financial assistance from PCSO.**

**That psychosocial programs be integrated in the health care system to provide patients with holistic and compassionate treatment.** We are cognizant that the medical approach is not the only solution to one's healing but psychological and social support is equally critical.

THANK YOU!

